

Issue #27

April 5, 1986

I'm sick of this. Absolutely fed up. No, not with publishing. I'm tired of shelling out money for rent every month and putting up with noisy neighbors. In fact, I've had just about enough of it. In other words, I've decided to buy a house in some nice, quiet neighborhood. House shopping is pretty time consuming, not to mention tiring. It's not leaving me much time for anything else. I still plan to get *Frobozz* out on schedule, but some of the features may be scaled back for a while. Fortunately, I have a couple of extra puzzles on file for just such an emergency. This month you'll see a tough geometry problem, suggested by Steve Langley. Next month, I'll probably use Jim Lawniczak's crossword puzzle, if I can find the time to type it up, that is...

If you'll check the bottom of this page, you'll see I've acquired a post office box. You may send mail to me via the box or continue to use the Platt Road address. The main reason I decided to do this is that I have been less than satisfied with the letter carriers' service in this area. Far too often, mail is delivered to the wrong address. Just two days ago, I received a letter addressed to my next-door neighbor. When I went out to put the letter in her mailbox, I noticed a letter to me (a player's orders) was sitting on top of the stack in her mailbox. Now, we all know that the U.S. Postal Disservice is slow enough without having my mail routed through a neighbor or two (and maybe from there to the trash). I suppose I could complain to some postal authority, but getting the post office box seems the most practical solution to the problem. I would recommend that everyone start using the box, especially for orders and puzzle solutions. However, items sent via Federal Express or similar postal competitors should still be sent to Platt.

I am pleased to welcome a new trader to this zine. He is Fred Hyatt, 60 Grandview Place, Montclair, NJ 07043. Fred is the publisher of *The Home Office*, and is re-entering the hobby after a five year absence. For some reason, I never did get around to subbing to Fred's zine back then, but I do recall that he had a very good reputation as publisher of a player-oriented zine. *The Home Office* has openings in regular Dip, Colonia VI, and Youngstown. If you're interested, write to Fred and enclose a couple of stamps.

Standby pool for regular Dip: Holley, Townsend, Fleming, Drane, Peters, Henry, Frueh. For WWIIIb: Hyatt, Langley, Frueh. Does anyone want to be added to or removed from either list?

1985AC

Saint Cleve

Winter, 1904

AUSTRIA (Joel Peacher, 507 E. 2nd St., Rolla, MO 65401) NRR. GM removes F nap. Has A VEN, F ION, A ROM, A APU, A SER, A GRE.

ENGLAND (cd) GM removes F yor. Has A EDI.

FRANCE (Marc Peters, 1814 Cameron Dr. #3, Madison, WI 53711) F ion r otb, builds A MAR. Also has A PAR, F ENG, F WAL, A PIE, A TUS, F TYN.

GERMANY (Matt Chen, 403 Evergreen Ct. W., Urbana, IL 61801) Builds A MUN, A KIE. Also has F DEN, F NTH, F BEL, A RUH, A TYO, A VIE, A BUD.

RUSSIA (Bruce Geryk, 408 Bishop House, Shoreland Hall, 5454 South Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60615) Builds F STP(NC), A SEV. Also has F NAT, F LVP, A MOS, F RUM, F BLA, A BUL.

TURKEY (Lee Kendter, 4347 Benner St., Philadelphia, PA 19135) Even. Has A ANK, A CON, F AEG.

Deadline for Spring, 1905 is 9PM EDT Friday, May 2, 1986. A separation of seasons is granted. Press will be held till Spring. Will Lu Henry, 3601 Penbrook Lane #18, Flint, MI 48502-1460 please standby for Austria. And will Mark Frueh, 4729 Morganford #6, St. Louis, MO 63116 please standby for Turkey.

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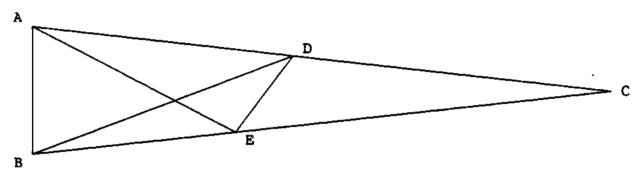
Puzzle Challenge

Last month's puzzle was rather difficult, but the solvers did quite well with it. Chuff Afflerbach even added his own embellishment, using each pair of words in a sentence, similar to the exercises we all had to do in junior high school:

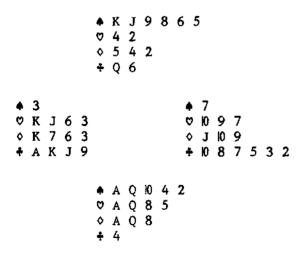
- 1. The kamikaze pilot taxied to the PAGODA HANGAR.
- 2. Our plumbing is haunted by a FAUCET WRAITH.
- 3. Does your SPIRIT INSIST on astral projection?
- 4. That's ENOUGH LOGJAM on your plywood toast!
- 5. He awoke wary of facing another MONDAY MENACE.
- 6. Bruce Linsey slaved them with his LETHAL GUFFAW.
- 7. A good spectrograph will DETECT VIOLET.
- 8. The rabid chimp was one FIERCE MONKEY.
- 9. Hiding in the gunnysack was the BURLAP COWARD.
- 10. 1981CJ "Jedi" is now just a SERENE MEMORY.

Very cute, Chuff. I have a problem with #5, though. "Monday" is a capitalized word, and as usual, I instructed that such words were not allowed... What's that?... I didn't say that capitalized words were prohibited? Oops. Damn. I guess I'll have to give you credit for it, then. The same goes for Steve Langley and Matt Chen, who also used "Monday". For the record, #5 should have read something like: Three Mile Island gained notoriety as a DYNAMO MENACE.

Here's your new puzzle, suggested by Steve Langley. Thank you, Steve.



Your task is determine angle EDC, given the following angles: ABC = 80°, BAC = 80°, BAE = 50°, ABD = 60°. Deadline for solutions is May 2, 1986. You need not prove your answer; guesses will be accepted. Partial credit will be given for inaccurate answers.



Bridge Challenge

Here is the solution to last month's problem. West leads the top clubs against your four spade contract. Rather than rely on a red suit finesse, you should arrange an endplay. A properly orchestrated endplay will increase your chances of success all the way to 100%. You ruff the second club, draw trump ending in dummy, and lead a heart, intending to insert the eight. West will win, but will have the unhappy option of leading into a red suit tenace or yielding a ruff and discard in clubs. East cannot save the day by inserting a middle heart when you lead one from dummy. You would counter by winning the ace, returning to dummy with a trump, and playing another heart, this time simply covering East's card (unless, of course, it's the king). West will win, no doubt, but will have no effective play. If he tries a low heart, you discard a diamond from dummy. Even if East can win, you're home. This establishes your remaining heart (the queen or eight) for the discard of dummy's last losing diamond.

Puzzle Champions

Matt Chen, Chuff Afflerbach, Bruce Linsey, and Steve Langley scored a perfect 100 points on last month's puzzle. And, for giving me my chuckle for the day, I'm arbitrarily awarding Chuff a ten point bonus. Pete Kurucz scored 80 on this puzzle, and Jim Lawniczak got a 75. That makes the current standings:

1/3. Matt Chen - 300 points

1/3. Steve Langley - 300 points

1/3. Bruce Linsey - 300 points

4. Jim Lawniczak - 235 points

5. Chuff Afflerbach - 210 points

6. Pete Kurucz - 80 points

Bridge Masters

Only Jim Lawniczak found the best line, so he takes the early lead with 50 points. Matt Chen scored 45, and Steve Langley earned 35 points.

1985CX

Isengard

Winter, 1902

Aus: Builds F TRI, A VIE, A BUD. Eng: Builds F EDI, F LON. Fra: Builds A PAR. Ita: A ven r otb(u), removes F MID(imp). Rus: F swe r otb(u), builds A WAR, A MOS.

Tur: NRR. GM removes F aeg.

Spring, 1903

AUSTRIA (Langley) A ven-ROM, A tyo-VEN, F TRI S A tyo-VEN, F gre-ION, A VIE-boh, A bud-GAL, A bul-GRE, A CON S Russian A ank-SMY.

ENGLAND (Hugh Christie) F BAR-stp(nc), A NWY S German F swe-FIN, F den-SWE, F bre-mid(d,r pic,otb), F edi-NTH, F lon-ENG, F nth-BEL.

FRANCE (Jensen) A par-BRE, A GAS S A par-BRE, F naf-TUN, A SPA H.

GERMANY (Ross) F swe-FIN, F bal-BOT, A ruh-BUR, A mun-TYO, A SIL-boh.

ITALY (Springer) A rom S A PIE-ven(nsu), A PIE-ven, F lyo-TYN, F MID H(U).

RUSSIA (Kurucz) A STP H, A MOS S A STP, A WAR S Austrian A bud-GAL, A rum-UKR, F bla-ARM, A ank-SMY.

TURKEY (Bakken) NMR. A smy h(d,r syr,otb).

Deadline for Fall, 1903 is 9PM EDT Friday, May 2, 1986. No retreat order was written for the Italian army dislodged from Venice, so it was disbanded. As a result, Italy had as many supply centers as units on the board, so the attempt to remove the fleet in the Mid-Atlantic failed. No standby will be called for Turkey.

Temporary COA: Peter Kurucz, 29716 Whitley Collins Dr., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90274. This is effective until April 15, when he returns to his Redondo Beach address.

PRESS — Venice, February 14, 1903: Field Marshal "Wrongway" Kurapov, the "Hero of Venice", was recalled to Vienna to take charge of the Third Viennese Brigade. General-to-be Kurapov was seen inquiring after maps to Rumania printed with small words and lots of pictures.

London to the world: Diplomacy has resolved the "Beer War" between England and Germany. Henceforth, Danish beer will be delivered by English ships. Any orders?

Moscow to London: You're such a total dink!

Vince to Pat: You told me to lay off him, but I couldn't resist. You suggested some literature, try the Bible.

Austria to Italy: It was not to be. Alas, your insistence on Trieste as your share of my gains just never quite sat right with me.

Austria to Germany and England: Allies?

Austria to France: Tunis in the springtime will make you want to linger until fall.

Moscow to Berlin: I'm so su-u-ure!

London to Sultan Dale: Infidel, OTB your army Smyrna and sail west to help the Pope. Maybe you'll be graced with last rites in exchange for your help. Who knows, you might even get Tunis or Naples.

London to Czar Pete: I'd strongly suggest that you move your capital to Moscow.

London to Premier Pat: Enjoyed my holiday in Brest, now I must leave and deliver some beer to ...?

Remnants of Italy to England and Germany: I don't care how much you guys hate each other. You're going to have to stick together.

Austria to Turkey: What can I say after I've said "goodby"?

Austria to Russia: Time to dig in and dig back out.

Kremlin "Finder of Lost Love Boats" Dept.: We regretfully announce that due to the El Nino weather conditions, we have lost contact with the almighty Ice Cutter Minsk. We are expecting it to wash up near the cliffs of Dover before too long. Moscow to Paris: Forget about Italy — your buns are being burned in Brest!

AUSTRIA (Springer) Builds A TRI, A VIE. Also has A BUD, F GRE, A SER.

ENGLAND (Holley) Builds F LVP, F LON. Also has A BEL, F NTH, F NWY.

FRANCE (Geryk) Builds A MAR, F BRE. Also has A PAR, A SPA, F POR.

GERMANY (Plummer) Builds A KIE, F BER. Also has F SWE, A HOL, A MUN.

ITALY (Petersen) Builds F NAP. Also has A TYO, A VEN, F TUN.

RUSSIA (Early) Builds A WAR. Also has A SEV, F BOT, A UKR.

TURKEY (Baker) Builds A CON, F SMY, Also has F RUM, A BUL, A ARM.

Deadline for Spring, 1902 is 9PM EDT, Friday, May 2, 1986. I thank Marc Peters for submitting standby orders and am pleased they were not needed.

PRESS — Enterprise to all: Kirk is back with vengeance in his heart.

Moscow to Vienna: Perhaps you will now admit that my paranoia was justified. You're a real novice, allying with Turkey as Austria. You must not realize that no matter how good your alliance with Turkey may be now, you're going to be in his way, and he's going to eat your lunch. I suggest you wise up, think about your future, and reopen relations with me. England to GM: The next dental appointment is late April. Watch for further developments.

GM to England: Oh, I will. The suspense is killing me.

Austria: The Pope is in Budapest now, safely secured after a commando raid into Dm Subbos Dm camp of Demons. The Pope is well and has even forged an alliance with the Turks to regain the Vatican from that "unearthly hell".

Austria to Italy: Read the Bible lately?

Austria to world: Only if you guys knew what this loser is doing.

Moscow to Rome: Knock some sense into the novice to your right, will you?

Moscow to London: Thanks for the moral support. Moscow to Rome and Paris: We need to talk soon.

Austria to Italy: Go ahead, get your Necrominacon and your charms, you'll never get me!

Melinda to Vince: I don't doubt it. You been watching those Rambo movies again?

Spock to Kaiseress Plummer: You just made a big mistake. Look west!

Moscow to GM: Screwed by the USP"S" again! What do they use for delivery, snails?

GM to Moscow: In my neighborhood, I believe they use the Three Stooges.

Vince to James Petersen: I'm sure my press has totally pissed you off, but only if you realized what you're doing. Seventy years of ecstasy may be great, but the price is eternal death.

1985V

The Ruby Yacht

Winter, 1906

Eng: Builds F LVP. Fra: Builds F BRE. Ger: F den r HEL, removes A lon.

Ita: NRR. GM removes A pie. Rus: A ser r oth, builds F SEV. Tur: F nap r oth, builds A SMY.

Spring, 1907

ENGLAND (Milewski) F spa(sc)-MID, F lvp-IRI, A wal-LON, F MAR H.

FRANCE (Frueh) F bre-ENG, A PAR-bur.

GERMANY (Townsend) F HOL-nth, F HEL S F HOL-nth, A BUR S A kie-mun, A kie-mun(d,r ruh,den,otb), F swe-den(d,r bot,fin,nwy,otb).

ITALY (Jensen) F NAP S F ROM, F ROM S F NAP.

RUSSIA (Howard Christie) A bul-rum(d,a), F sev-BLA, F con S F sev-BLA(d,r aeg,otb), A sil-GAL, A BOH S A sil-GAL, A mun-KIE, A BER S A mun-KIE, A pru-LVN, F BAL S A den-SWE, A den-SWE, F SKA-swe, F NWG-nth, F EDI S F NWG-nth.

TURKEY (Plummer) F TYN-nap, A tyo-VEN, F tri-ALB, A BUD-rum, A SER S F gre-BUL(SC), F gre-BUL(SC), A smy-CON, F ANK S A smy-CON.

Deadline for Fall, 1907 is 9PM EDT Friday, May 2, 1986.

PRESS — England to Turkey: I am running out of 1985 to use for stationery.

France to England: So what's it to be... Friend or Foe?

France to Germany: Yes, I haven't helped you, but together we can make a difference.

UofSA: A kashmir r otb(u).

Fall, 2005

AUSTRALIA (Russ Rusnak, 16 W. 536 Honeysuckle Rose #105, Hinsdale, 1L 60521) F caribbean sea-colombia(nc)(d.r honduras(ec), guyana, otb), F PANAMA S F caribbean sea-colombia(nc), F east pacific-ECUADOR, F GULF OF PANAMA S F east pacific-ECUADOR, F GALAPAGOS SEA-inca, F south pacific-EAST PACIFIC, F GULF OF MEXICO-caribbean sea, F coral sea-SOUTH PACIFIC, F western australia-SOUTH INDIAN, F GREAT AUSTRALIAN BIGHT S F western australia-SOUTH INDIAN, F timor sea-EAST INDIAN, F sumatra-BAY OF BENGAL, F gulf of siam-SUMATRA, A thailand-BURMA, A bangladesh-PRADESH, A ASSAM S A bangladesh-PRADESH, A NEPAL S A bangladesh-PRADESH, A KAMCHATKA H, A szechwan-TIBET.

BRAZIL (Paul Rauterberg, 4158 Monona Dr., Madison, WI 53716) F surinam-CARIBBEAN SEA, F CUBA-gulf of mexico, F MOUTH OF THE AMAZON S F surinam-CARIBBEAN SEA, A HAITI-cuba, F BERMUDA TRIANGLE-cuba, A PARAGUAY-cordoba, A VENEZUELA S A COLOMBIA, A COLOMBIA H, A ecuador-inca(d.a), A NAPO S A COLOMBIA, A LA PAMPA S A PARAGUAY-cordoba, A chile-RIO NEGRO, A porto alegre-BAHIA, F united kingdom-greenland sea(d,r eire, norwegian sea, otb), F BAY OF BISCAY-north atlantic, F LIBYA-egypt.

CANADA (Jim Petersen, 614 Fountain, Albert Lea, MN 56007) F LABRADOR SEA-nw atlantic, F GREENLAND SEA S Warsaw Pact F north sea-UNITED KINGDOM, F NORTH ATLANTIC-bay of biscay, F denmark strait-ICELAND, F NW ATLANTIC-bermuda triangle, F saudi arabia(wc)-egypt(d,r red sea, yemen, otb), A CALIFORNIA H, A TEXAS H, A MEXICO H, A DIXIE H, A NEW ENGLAND H.

Uofsa (Vince Springer, 5422 E. 77th St., Indianapolis, IN 46250) F israel-EGYPT, F EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN S F israel-EGYPT, F arabian sea-SAUDI ARABIA(EC), A PAKISTAN-iran, A MAHARASHTRA-kashmir, F pradesh prays for peace(d,r madras, otb), A rajasthan S A MAHARASHTRA-kashmir(nsu), F west indian-GULF OF ADEN, F mozambique channel-WEST INDIAN, F se atlantic-GABON, F transvaal-SE ATLANTIC, A rio negro-SANTA CRUZ, F falkland islands-FALKLAND SOUND, F BUENOS AIRES S WAF A CORDOBA.

USSR (Marc Peters, 1814 Cameron Dr. #3, Madison, WI 53711) A sinkiang-SIBERIA, A turkmen-IRAN, A kirghiz-AFGHANISTAN, A KASHMIR S A kirghiz-AFGHANISTAN, A kazak-RUSSIA, A UKRAINA H(U).

WARSAW PACT (Pat Jensen, 712 Minnesota Ave., Albert Lea, MN 56007) A italy-AUSTRIA, A CZECHOSLOVAKIA S A italy-AUSTRIA, A BYELORUSSIA H, F north sea-UNITED KINGDOM.

WAF (Joel Peacher) NMR. A TUNISIA H, A CAMEROONS H, F MID ATLANTIC H, F CENTRAL ATLANTIC H, F SW ATLANTIC H, A CORDOBA H, F GULF OF GUINEA H, F SPAIN(SC) H, F FRANCE(SC) H, F WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN H, F SYRIA H, A austria h(d,r west germany, hungary, otb). A YUGOSLAVIA H, A RUMANIA H.

Deadline for Spring, 2006 is 9PM EDT Friday, May 2, 1986. The proposed draws were defeated. The following are now proposed: a concession to Australia and an A/C/UofSA/USSR/WAF draw. Will Fred Hyatt, 60 Grandview Place, Montclair, NJ 07043 please standby for WAF.

1982Hgp03 supply center chart - 2005

AUSTR	nsw, wau, nter, nze, jav, bor, pap, phil, viet, kyu, thai, hok, honan, kam,		
	s.kor.honsh,hond,ban,pra,PAN,ECU	21,	+2
BRAZL	bel, bah, m.gro, sur, ven, hai, col, napo, la pam, bol, dix, pan, inca,		_
	∉¢νί, ≰γγ', lib, cub, νίκ	13,	-2
CANAD	hc_ala_sakh.cal_ont_ice_edy_que,qrn,s/dydb,tex,DIX	10,	-1
UofSA	ang tran moz mala gab zam som ken sud mad falk is, s.cruz,		
	raj.b.air.grc,EGY,S.ARAB,PAK	18,	+4
USSR	kaz, sib, pak, mon, tsin, sze, geo, iran, RUS	8,	+1
WDACT	nol nwy rvd swe AUS UK	5,	+1
WAF	gui, mali, niga, mor, cam, mau, tun, fra, yug, uru, spa, hun, ans, rum, SYR	14,	even

PRESS - Marc to Pat: You should have listened when everyone told you what I jerk I was!

Marc to Russ: And I should have listened when everyone told me...

Marc to Vince: No letter must mean no deal, huh?

Marc to Joel: Maybe we can work something out in this game too, eh?

1984ATI

Silverball

Summer, 1911

Ita: NRR. A rom r otb.

Fall, 1911

Final

ENGLAND (Peacher) NMR. A EDI H, A LVP H.

FRANCE (Petersen) A SPA H, F LON-eng, F PIC S F LON-eng, A bur S F PIC(d,r par,gas,otb), A BRE S F PIC. ITALY (Rauterberg) No units.

RUSSIA (Baker) A kie-RUH, A MAR S A mun-BUR, F NTH S F ENG-lon, F ENG-lon, F MID-spa(nc), A HOL S A BEL, A mun-BUR, F nwg-NAT, A BEL S A mun-BUR, A tyo-PIE, A RUM-sev, F BLA-sev, A VIE H(U), A GAL H(U). TURKEY (Howard Christie) F tyn-WES, A bul-SER, F aeg-CON, F ion-TYN, F TRI S A VEN, F alb-GRE, A ARM-sev.

A con-ANK, A ROM S A VEN, A NAP S A ROM, A VEN S F TRI.

Deadline for Spring, 1912 is 9PM EDT Friday, May 2, 1986. No standby will be called for England.

1984CC supply center chart - 1911

ENGLAND lvp,edi	. 2,	even
FRANCE par, bre, mar, spa, lon, bel.	. 4.	-1
TTALY rpm	. 0.	out
RUSSIA stp,mos,sev,swe,nwy,war,kie,rum,vie,hol,ber,mun,den,por,MAR,B	L 16.	+2
TURKEY con, ank, smy, bul, gre, ser, bud, tri, tun, ven, nap, ROM	12	+1

Ragnarok

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	<u>01</u>	02	<u>03</u>	04	<u>05</u>	06	<u>07</u>	08	<u>09</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	
AUSTRIA	5	6	7	9	8	8	7	8	9	10	7	James Early.
ENGLAND	5	5	6	7	8	9	11	14	15	17	21	Terry Ross (wins F11).
FRANCE	5	6	6	5	2	2	1	1	0			David Bruss (drop F04), Mark Harris (out F09).
GERMANY	5	6	7	7	11	9	9	7	7	4	3	James Petersen.
ITALY	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	1	0			Pat Merrill (drop F01), Paul Milewski (res S04),
												Fred Townsend (out F09).
RUSSIA	5	5	2	1	0							Len Kay (out F05).
TURKEY	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	Kevin Turner (drop F05), Paul Rauterberg.

Hmm. No room for the endgame statements this time. Let's see if they'll fit in the next issue...

_____ Your sub has expired. Please renew.

_____ Please standby in

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