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Within the next week, I should find out if my loan application for the condo has been approved. If all goes well with that, I should begin moving next month. Meanwhile, my 1979 car has been sucking up money (for various repairs) for several months. And so I'm considering buying a new one. By the time all of this is over, I'll probably be nearly broke. Oh, well, that's life...

Pve been asked whether I plan to attend DipCon. Tentatively, yes. I'll have to see if I'll be able to scrape up some cash before I decide, however. I hope to see many of you in Madison this June!

Standby pool for Diplomacy: Geryk, Townsend, Heinowski, Richter, Ricotta, Davis, Hood, Acheson, Barents, Taube, Christie, Milewski, Vaporis, Noble. Does anyone want to be added to or removed from the list?

Players, please check your game reports carefully. I'm suffering from a cold, making it difficult for me to concentrate. Upon proofreading this, I found some very silly errors; other mistakes may have slipped my notice.

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The Ruby Yacht

Endgame Statements

Paul Milewski (standby England): England (Early) started out the game conventionally enough, convoying his army to Norway with one fleet's support in Fall 1901. However, the Russian moved his army Moscow up to Finland and his fleet to Sweden, positioning himself for 1902. In Spring 1902 Germany (Townsend) and Russia (Howard Christie) combined against England, dislodging and annihilating Army Norway, apparently with German deception of England, while England moved his new fleet into the Channel. Taking over as England, I attacked France (MacKechnie), despite the two new French fleets built in Winter 1901. Facing overwhelming combined forces of Germany and Russia converging on me, attacking France seemed to offer the hope of gaining centers at his expense quicker or at least as quickly as I would lose centers to Germany and Russia. In Spring 1903 I moved into Mid, from which Por was wide open in the Fall. This may have had something to do with MacKechnie resigning the French position in Fall 1903, although Germany's Armies Pic, Bur, and Gas deserve the credit for the collapse of France. Mark Frueh took over the French position after the fall of Mar to the Italian, Par to the German, and Por to me, all three events taking place simultaneously in Fall 1903. In 1904 Germany began a series of bungled attempts at taking Bre from the French. I lost Edi to Russia, which he held until the end. In 1905 I lost Lon to the German but picked up Spa from France, who also lost Tun to Turkey. This left France with only one center. Much to his credit, Frueh kept fighting, retaking Par from the German in 1906 as the German rushed eastward to face the Russian too late, the Russian having taken Mun and Ber in 1905, a blow from which the German never recovered. I owe my success in this game to Russia turning on Germany and to Turkey tying up the Italian. I retook Lon from the German after he disbanded Army London in Winter 1906. I never retook Edi from the Russian, this as part of an agreement between the two of us. I took Bre in 1909 and Par in 1910 only after overcoming masterful resistance on the part of Fruch. I will leave it to others to comment on events that transpired elsewhere on the board. Of course, Jeff Richmond deserves high commendation for his magnificent performance as GM. I am afraid he is so consistently good that we may be taking him for granted.

Michael Gonsalves (standby Russia): There really isn't much to say. By the time I got in, the game was basically a tactical exercise. I hope to play with you gentlemen again in a full game.

Mark Frueh (standby France): I came in as a lowly standby and fought to a bitter end. A couple of critical NMRs may have cost me a chance to recover. England and Germany never wrote — and neither did I — thus the result. I predict the game ends as a 3-way E/R/T draw. England played well to his allies — not to me. Germany stopped from finishing me off to clobber Russia. Russia (Howard Christie) could have easily won the game, but he NMRed out and moved poorly. Would be nice to know how the game ends. Thanks for an excellently GMed game.

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Flying Carpet

Winter, 1906

ENGLAND (Melinda Holley, P.O. Box 2793, Huntington, WV 25727-2793) Builds F LVP, F LON, A EDI. Also has A GAS, A PAR, F BEL, F MID, F SPA(SC), F SWE, F POR.

FRANCE (Bruce Geryk, 5748 S. Blackstone Ave. #206, Chicago, 1L 60637-1882) No room to build. Has F MAR.

GERMANY (Stan Plummer) NRR. GM removes F bot, A lvn. Has A BUR, F KIE A SIL, A MUN, A BER.

ITALY (Michael Gonsalves, 1401 Haven Road T6, Hagerstown, MD 21740-3071) A vie r boh(a), removes A tyo. Has F TYN, F NAP, A ROM.

RUSSIA (cd) Even. Has F BAL, A SEV.

TURKEY (Doug Baker, 1222 Jefferson Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49007-3129) A sil r boh(a), builds A CON, A ANK, A SMY. Also has F ION, A APU, F AEG, F ADR, F TRI, A WAR, A VEN, A VIE, A GAL.

Deadline for Spring, 1907 is 9PM EST Friday, March 13, 1987. A separation of seasons is granted. Press will be held until next issue. James Early neither submitted orders nor renewed his sub, so he is out of the game and Russia lapses into permanent civil disorder. Will Steve Heinowski, 12034 Pyle, Oberlin, OH 44074-9729 please standby for Germany.

1986D supply center chart - 1906

ENGLAND	lon,lvp,edi,nwy,bre,por,spa,PAR,BEL,SWE	10
FRANCE	mar, hol. bel	2
GERMANY	ber, kie, mun, gwe, den, par, stp	5
ITALY	rom, yen, nap, tun, yie	3
RUSSIA	mos,sev	
TURKEY	con,ank,smy,bul,rum,gre,bud,ser,war,tri,VEN,VIE	12

1986CF

The Philosopher's Stone

Summer, 1903

Ger: NRR, F den r otb.

Fall, 1903

AUSTRIA (Holley) A PIE H, F GRE H, A VIE S A TRI-bud, A TRI-bud.

ENGLAND (Gonsalves) F nwg-NWY, F BAR S F nwg-NWY, F NTH S F nwg-NWY, A HOL S French A BEL-ruh(nso), F DEN-swe.

FRANCE (Vaporis) A bur-MAR, A PIC S A BEL, A BEL S English A HOL, F WES S F TUN, F TUN S F WES.

GERMANY (Falkiner) NMR. A RUH H, A KIE H.

ITALY (Bakken) A tyo-MUN, A rom-VEN, F TYN S Turkish F aeg-ION, F NAP S F TYN.

RUSSIA (Drane) A GAL-vie, A BUD S A GAL-vie, F RUM S Turkish F con-BUL(SC), A STP S A nwy, A nwy S F SWE(d,r fin,otb), F SWE S A nwy.

TURKEY (Rothchild) F con-BUL(SC), A SER-tri, F aeg-ION, F smy-EAS, A ank-CON.

Deadline for Spring, 1904 is 9PM EST Friday, March 13, 1987. No standby will be called for Germany.

1986CF supply center chart - 1903

AUSTRIA	vie, tri, bud, gre, yen	3,	-1
ENGLAND	lon, lvp, edi, bel, hol, sve, NWY, DEN	6,	+1
FRANCE	par, bre, mar, spa, por, BEL, TUN	7,	+2
GERMANY	ber, kie, den	2,	even
ITALY	rom, nap, tin, mun, VEN	4.	even
RUSSIA	stp,mos,war,sev,rum,plyy,SWE,BUD	7,	+1
TURKEY	con,ank,smy,bul,ser	5.	even

PRESS — Austria to GM: What do you mean you hate housework? Somebody has neglected your training! Ann Arbor to Austria: Well, I'm certainly not going to agree with a comment like that. My training, as you've apparently discovered, is entirely the prerogative of Princess Paulette, Priestess of Punishment and Pleasure. I would not dare to claim she's doing a poor job.

The Blue Parrot

1987F

AUSTRIA (Rusnak) F alb-GRE, A SER S F alb-GRE, A vie-TRI.

ENGLAND (Ricotta) A WAL-bre, F ENG C A WAL-bre, F NTH-nwy.

FRANCE (Richter) A PAR-bre, A SPA H, F mid-POR.

GERMANY (Hood) A mun-RUH, A kie-HOL, F DEN-swe.

ITALY (Chen) A ven-TYO, A apu-TUN, F ION C A apu-TUN.

RUSSIA (Seaman) A STP-nwy, F BOT-swe, F RUM-sev, A gal-VIE.

TURKEY (Davis) A BUL S Austrian A SER-rum(nso), A arm-SEV, F BLA S A arm-SEV.

Deadline for Winter, 1901 is 9PM EST Friday, March 13, 1987. I am still waiting for the \$4.00 game fee from Tal Seaman.

1987F supply center chart - 1901

AUSTRIA	√/€, tri, bud, SER, GRE	4,	+1
ENGLAND	lon, lvp, edi	3,	even
FRANCE	par, bre, mar, SPA, POR	5,	+2
GERMANY	ber, kie, mun, DEN, HOL	5,	+2
I TALY	rom, nap, ven, TUN	4,	+1
RUSSIA	stp, mos, war, sey, VIE, RUM	5,	+1
TURKEY	con, ank, smy, BUL, SEV	5,	+2

PRESS — Italy to Austria: I hope I'm right about you!

England to Russia: Let's sec, now... You're going to destroy England, Germany, Austria, and Turkey. With what?! It couldn't be your army, it's pretty worthless. What are you gonna do, send Rasputin out to stop it from bleeding?

Berlin to London: Hope my letter arrived in time!

England to Turkey: Eat 'em up, Sultan! I think he's getting the message. I'll meet you in Moscow.

Berlin to Paris: You can have Burgundy in the fall; it only starts to look inviting during the Spring.

England to Austria: If you need any help against the Cossacks, I'll be happy to assist! Just ask!

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Isengard

Fall, 1908

AUSTRIA (Langley) A PIE S French A MAR, A BOH S Russian A MUN, F LYO S French F SPA(SC), F TYN H(U), F WES H(U), A VEN H(U), A TYO H(U), A GAL H(U), A SER H(U), A GRE H(U).

ENGLAND (Christie) A fin-STP, F NWY S A fin-STP, A PIC S German A BUR, F MID S F GAS, F GAS S F MID, F BRE S F MID, F ENG S F MID, F BAL-lyn.

FRANCE (Van Wie) A POR S F SPA(SC), A MAR S F SPA(SC), F SPA(SC) S A MAR.

GERMANY (Townsend) A BUR S Austrian A BOH-mun(nso), A KIE S Austrian A BOH-mun(nso), A RUH S A KIE.

RUSSIA (Kurucz) A stp h(d.r mos.otb), A LVN S A stp, A sev-UKR, A war-PRU, A SIL S A BER, A MUN S English F BAL-kie(nso), A BER S A MUN, F NAF-mid.

Deadline for Spring, 1909 is 9PM EST Friday, March 13, 1987. All of the draw proposals were defeated. The only new proposal is for a 5-way draw. I thank Rory Noble for submitting standby orders, though they were not needed.

1985CX supply center chart - 1908

AUSTRIA	vie, tri, bud, ser, gre, ven, bul, con, rom, nap	10,	even
ENGLAND	lon, lvp, edi, nwy, bel, bre, den, swe, STP	9,	+1
FRANCE	spa, tun, por, mar	4,	+1
GERMANY	kie hol par	3.	even
RUSSIA	mos, war, sev, rum, ank, smy, mun, ber, stp	8,	even

PRESS — Germany to Russia: As you are apparently the only one voting against the draw (and will lose St. Pete), I ask what can you do to break the stalemate?

Austria to England: If the draw did not pass, I lay it on you.

Pravda Medical Sciences Section: To further the advances of neo-natal studies, the Kremlin Warmongering Dept. has donated the War Strategy Center for an underwater experiment that would measure the mental development of newborns by allowing them to order the Russian units around the board. This change is expected to liven up the Center, which has been riddled with boredom for several years now.

Aus: Builds A VIE. Eng: Builds F EDI, A LVP.

Fra: A mar r SPA, GM removes F por.

Ger: Builds A MUN, A BER. Ita: Builds A ROM.

Spring, 1903

AUSTRIA (Peters) A gal-UKR, A vic-GAL, A BUD S A SER, A SER S Russian F BLA-bul(ec)(nso), F gre-AEG.

ENGLAND (Geryk) F BAR S A STP, A STP H, F nwy-NWG, A lvp-EDI, F edi-NTH, F bre-MID.

FRANCE (Johnston) A spa h(u)(d,r por,gas,otb), A PIC H(U).

GERMANY (O'Brien) A mun-BUR, A PAR S A mun-BUR, A hol-BEL, F den-ska(nsu), A ber-PRU, A SIL S A ber-PRU, F SKA H(U).

ITALY (Van Wie) A MAR S F lyo-SPA(SC), A TUN H, A ROM H, F WES S F lyo-SPA(SC), F lyo-SPA(SC).

RUSSIA (Taube) A mos-WAR, F swe-BAL, A LVN-pru, F BLA-con, A RUM-ser.

TURKEY (Noble) F CON S A BUL, A BUL S Russian A RUM-ser, A smy-ARM, A ANK S A smy-ARM.

Deadline for Fall, 1903 is 9PM EST Friday, March 13, 1987.

PRESS — Rome to Vienna: Sorry about the change of build, but you still haven't written, and I'd rather be safe than sorry.

Rome to London: (ahem) Just how many builds do you expect to get this year?

Rome to Constantinople: Oops... how 'bout I just subscribe to VCN, without the alliance?

 Your	sub	has	expired.	Please	renew.

_____ Please standby in

Dear Russ,

2) you think wrestling's getting too ridiculous,

D recommend watching less wwf. Vince loves to

go for the deliberatury absurd, which I guess is

supposed to appeal to the casual, fad-oriented fan

I see that Chris Adams just got out of jail

and is wrestling again. Meanwhile, I understand Jim

Neidhort has been charged with felomenes assault in a

similar incident on board a plane. I can't believe these

guys...

Bast.