

FROBOZZ

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I'm running late this issue, due to a number of unforeseen events. I would explain it all to you, but as it happens, I'm running late this issue, so I don't have the time. Therefore, I'm going to cut out the frills and make this a four-pager. The 1985CX endgame statements which were to appear will be held until next issue. Steve Langley was the only one to submit a statement, but I'll give you guys another chance and accept any statement I receive by August 7.

The ever-growing stack of mail, which I would ordinarily answer by scribbling a note on the back page, will also have to wait until next issue. Please bear with me.

The new game is filled and begins here on page 1. I'm sorry I could not allow all of you to play; Ted Davis, Melinda Holley, and Marc Peters will have first dibs on the next game opening.

The standby pool: Geryk, Townsend, Christie, Milewski, Vaporis, Holley, Peters, Heinowski, Kurucz, Acheson, Richter, Gonsalves, Davis, Gibson, Sellers, Johnson, and Hood. Does anyone want on or off the list?

1987??

Benwick

Winter, 1900

AUSTRIA Curt Gibson, 622 E. 11th St. #9, New York, NY 10009

ENGLAND Ernest Johnson, 17890 SW. Alexander #7, Aloha, OR 97006

FRANCE John Ricotta, 222 Sunshine Dr., North Tonawanda, NY 14120

GERMANY Russ Rusnak, 1551 High Ridge Parkway, Westchester, IL 60153

ITALY Rob Noblin, 334 Carroll Park East, Long Beach, CA 90814

RUSSIA Michael Vaporis, 304 Williamsburg Dr., Export, PA 15632

TURKEY Dan Sellers, 9621 Fir Knoll Ct., Charlotte, NC 28212

Deadline for Spring, 1901 is 9PM EDT Friday, August 7, 1987. Good luck to you all.

1986D

Flying Carpet

Winter, 1908

ENGLAND (Melinda Holley, P.O. Box 2793, Huntington, WV 25727) Builds A EDI, A LON, F LVP. Also has A STP, A NWY, A BER, A PIE, A MUN, F NWG, F NTH, F NAF, F DEN, F LYO, F BAR, F WES.

GERMANY (Stan Plummer) NRR. GM removes A ser, F bot. Has A TRI, A WAR, A LVN.

TURKEY (Doug Baker, 1222 Jefferson Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49007) A stp r FIN, builds A CON. Also has A SEV, A MOS, F TYN, F TUN, F NAP, A ROM, F APU, A BUL, A GRE, A GAL, A VIE, A VEN.

Deadline for Spring, 1909 is 9PM EDT Friday, August 7, 1987. A separation of seasons is granted. Will Fred Townsend, 2144 N. Dayton, Chicago, IL 60614 please standby for Germany.

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Puzzle Challenge

Here are last month's answers: 1. K-K-K-J-J, 2. A-K-Q-J-10 in at least two different suits, 3. K-K-8-8-5, 4. 5-5-Q-10-7.

Your next challenge is to divide the diagram below left into six groups of six contiguous boxes (that is, each box within a group must be horizontally or vertically adjacent to the rest of the boxes in that group). Then, rearrange the letters in each group to form a six-letter English word. Do not form capitalized words or words containing a hyphen or apostrophe. Do not use any box in more than one group. Draw an outline around each of your groups (so I can see where they are), and write your words in the spaces provided below center. If the instructions aren't clear to you, take a look at the example below right. That diagram has been divided into five groups, forming the words "quack", "might", "blond", "fixes", and "power". Deadline for solutions to this puzzle is 9PM Friday, August 8, 1987.

T	T	A	T	P	R
I	M	I	U	P	W
C	O	O	Y	L	L
L	N	B	O	O	O
C	C	R	X	I	I
H	H	A	R	T	M

A	K	C	U	T
Q	N	L	M	H
O	B	G	I	O
I	D	F	P	W
E	X	S	R	E

The Scoreboard

I'm a little surprised by the results this time. I thought that this was a fairly easy puzzle, but most of you don't agree. Of the seven solutions received, only Bruce Linsey and Steve Langley found all four hands correctly. They earn 100 points each. Other scores: Brady Richter - 98 points, Ted Davis - 91 points, Rory Noble - 75 points, Jim Lawniczak - 35 points, Melinda Holley - 15 points. The current standings (we have a new leader!):

1. Steve Langley - 364 points
2. Ted Davis - 351 points
3. Jim Lawniczak - 347 points
4. Bruce Linsey - 276 points

5. Pete Kurucz - 236 points
6. Rory Noble - 228 points
7. Melinda Holley - 140 points

- 8/9. Scott Drane - 100 points
- 8/9. Alan Stewart - 100 points
10. Brady Richter - 98 points
11. John Ricotta - 67 points

1986CF

The Philosopher's Stone

Winter, 1905

ENGLAND (*Gonsalves*) Builds A EDI. Also has A NWY, F NTH, A FIN, F STP(NC), F BAR, F SWE, A HOL.

FRANCE (*Vaporis*) Builds A MAR. Also has F MID, F TYN, F TUN, A PIE, A TYO, A BUR, A KIE.

GERMANY (*Falkiner*) NRR. A kie r otb. Has A BER.

ITALY (*Bakken*) A ven r TUS. Removes A mun. Has A TUS, F NAP, F ROM.

RUSSIA (*Drane*) Even. Has A SIL, A BOH, A VIE, A MOS, F RUM, F NWG.

TURKEY (*Rothchild*) Builds F CON. Also has A VEN, F ADR, F ION, F EAS, F GRE, A TRI, A BUL.

Deadline for Spring, 1906 is 9PM EDT Friday, August 7, 1987. A separation of seasons is granted. Jerry Falkiner has missed two turns in a row, so he is removed from the game. Germany now lapses into permanent civil disorder. The proposed draw was defeated. An E-F-R-T draw is now proposed. Press will be held until Spring.

1987F

The Blue Parrot

Summer, 1903

Ger: A edi r otb. Ita: F gre r ALB. Tur: A rum r UKR.

Fall, 1903

AUSTRIA (*Rusnak*) F BUL(SC) S Italian F alb-GRE, A SER S F BUL(SC), F ADR-tri, A VIE-tri, A rum S Russian A MOS-sev(nso)(d,r gal,bud,otb).ENGLAND (*Ricotta*) A LVP S A EDI, A EDI S A LVP.FRANCE (*Richter*) A bel-PIC, A bur-MAR, F NAF-tun, F WES S F NAF-tun, F LON H.GERMANY (*Hood*) F NTH-nwy, A ruh-MUN, F den-SWE, F BAL S F den-SWE, A TYO-ven, A pru-LVN.ITALY (*Chen*) F alb-GRE, F ION-tun, F TYN S F ION-tun, A apu-VEN, A PIE S A apu-VEN.RUSSIA (*Barents*) A NWY H, F swe-den(d,r ska,bot,fin,otb), A gal-UKR, A WAR S A MOS, A MOS S A gal-UKR.TURKEY (*Davis*) F gre-bul(sc)(d,a), F AEG S F gre-bul(sc), F bla-CON, A ukr-RUM, A SEV S A ukr-RUM.

Deadline for Spring, 1904 is 9PM EDT Friday, August 7, 1987. Herb Barents is the new player for Russia.

1987F supply center chart - 1903

AUSTRIA	tri,bud,ser,vie,bul.....	5, even
ENGLAND	lvp,EDI.....	2, even
FRANCE	par,bre,mar,spa,por,LON.....	6, +1
GERMANY	ber,kie,mun,den,hol,bel,den,SWE.....	7, +1
ITALY	rom,nap,ven,tun,gre.....	5, even
RUSSIA	stp,mos,war,swd,nwy.....	4, -1
TURKEY	con,ank,smy,sev,rum.....	5, +1

PRESS — Moscow: Puppet for sale — cheap! Works long hours, works cheap, low overhead. Please write, you pull the strings.

England (off in the northern hinterlands): Is there anybody out there? (followed by a deafening silence)

1987CA

The Corner Guard

Winter, 1901

AUSTRIA (*Noble*) Removes F ion. Has A SER, A VIE.ENGLAND (*Davis*) Builds F LON. Also has F NWY, F NTH, A YOR.FRANCE (*Milewski*) Builds F BRE. Also has A GAS, F SPA(SC), A MAR.GERMANY (*Anderson*) Builds A MUN, F KIE. Also has F DEN, A RUH, A HOL.ITALY (*Walley*) Builds A VEN, F NAP. Also has A TRI, A TYO, F TUN.RUSSIA (*Townsend*) Builds F STP(SC), A WAR. Also has F BOT, A BUD, A RUM, F BLA.TURKEY (*Heinowski*) Builds F SMY. Also has A BUL, A CON, F ANK.

Deadline for Spring, 1902 is 9PM EDT Friday, August 7, 1987. I thank David Hood for submitting standby orders, though they were not needed.

PRESS — From Dante Gabriel Rossetti, Postmaster-General of Italia Federata, Roma, to all heads of state: I apologize for the incredible inefficiency of the Italian Postal Service. All letters were sent, but as they went to cross the battle lines, it seems the ponies panicked. Poor beasts. Anyway, I have convinced il Primirio to abandon his beloved Pony Express system in favor of the ultramodern, up-to-date balloons employed by other European nations. (and we could fill them with my uncle Alighieri's hot air...)

Italy to Germany (words and music by D.G. Rossetti and Peter Sinfield): "I am not a reed, blown by the winds of politics/ When I do change my mind, you see, to my guns I do stick!"

Italy (Maryland) to Austria (Oregon): I'm sorry, but I knocked and there was no answer. So, finding the door unlocked and even open, I came inside to wait for you...

France to world: We are alarmed by the rapid collapse of Austria and unforeseen political uncertainties in Turkey, so we are opening another bottle of Pernod.

AUSTRIA (*Peters*) A rum-BUD, A SER S A rum-BUD, A ukr-RUM, F ion-ALB.

ENGLAND (*Geryk*) F nat-MID, F ENG S F nat-MID, F BRE S F nat-MID, F NWY H, A MOS H, A STP S A MOS, F
POR-spa(sc).

GERMANY (*O'Brien*) A GAS-spa, A MAR S A GAS-spa, A mun-BER, F swe-DEN, A ruh-BUR, A WAR S A GAL, A
BOH-vie, A GAL S A BOH-vie.

ITALY (*Ricotta*) A SPA H, F WES S A SPA, F tyn-NAP, A TUN H, A TRI S A VIE, A VIE S Austrian A rum-BUD, F
VEN S A TRI.

RUSSIA (*Taube*) NMR. F BAL H.

TURKEY (*Noble*) F aeg-ION, F con-AEG, F bla-SEV, A sev-UKR, A nap-ROM.

Deadline for Spring, 1906 is 9PM EDT Friday, August 7, 1987. No standby will be called for Russia.

COA: Bruce Geryk, 5528 S. Everett Ave. #3D, Chicago, IL 60637.

COA: Pat O'Brien, 341 Tampa Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15228.

1986CG supply center chart - 1905

AUSTRIA	yr , bud, ser, rum.....	3, -1
ENGLAND	lon, lvp, edi, nwy, stp, por, bre, MOS.....	8, +1
GERMANY	ber, mun, den, par, hol, war, swe, bel, MAR.....	9, +1
ITALY	yn , nap, ven, tun, na , spa, vie, TRI.....	6, -1
RUSSIA	kie.....	1, even
TURKEY	con, ank, smy, bul, gre, sev, nos , ROM.....	7, +2

PRESS — Rome to Budapest: Menage-a-trois, eh? What did you say your friend's name was?

Turkey to Italy: Too bad you couldn't join with us. Now, we all must pay the price.

Turkey to England/Germany: Hey guys, come on down! Let's party!

Marc to Jeff: Thumbs up on the bridge puzzles! I'll try to send in more solutions if you keep them in *Frobozz*. If anything, make them tougher; easy ones are available in the dailies.

Jeff to Marc: Thanks for your input. I shall comply.

Marc to John: Your last, cute press notwithstanding, you have condemned Italy, Austria, and perhaps Turkey to death by refusing to see reason. Can you seriously believe England and Germany will share in a draw with you??? Being a standby isn't necessarily fun, but rash stabs without prospect of gain do nothing to make standbys more popular.

Marc to Bruce: Explain to me again how lucky I am to have such a helpful Italian ally. I must have missed something there!

_____ Your sub has expired. Please renew.

_____ Please standby in

Russ Rusnak (S50)
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Russ,
I'm not sure I
can get away that
weekend, but keep me
posted. How do you
like your new house?

Jeff