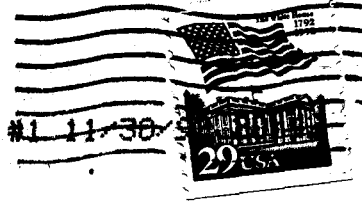


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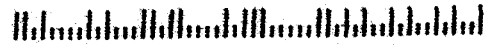
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PRESS:

England: Congratulations to Bryan on his win.

GM-PLAYERS: THANK YOU FOR THE GAME. I HOPE YOU HAVE HAD A GOOD GAMING EXPERIENCE AND HOPE TO HAVE YOU PARTICIPATE AGAIN IN THE GAMER'S 'ZINE.

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-->STANDBY PLAYERS ARE WANTED

STANDBY LISTING-Regular Diplomacy: YORK(TX)

STANDBY LISTING-Machiavelli: MANN(VA), HASSLER (CA)

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MACHIAVELLI will be run by Phil Spera.

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ORPHAN SON of The Podunk News, by Bob Hartwig, 6612 W. 113th Ave., Westminster, CO 80020, Phone #303-466-5896. FAX: #303-460-4199. Orphaned Diplomacy games (regular and gunboat). Editorials, letter column, subzine 'WAY OUT OF IT', various articles.

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1992

DEC 13 BeethovenCon, San Diego, CA. Contact Larry Peery, PO Box 620399, San  
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JAN 16 Crusades '93. Statford Ramada Inn, Exit 30, I-95, Connecticut, sponsored  
by THE CONNECTICUT GAME CLUB. Contact Crusades '93, 37 Ronald Drive,  
Fairfield CT 06430-3604

This will be a miniatures only event. Already confirmed are: Civil War,  
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FEB 5-7: NovaCon, Novato, CA. Contact Pete Gaughan, 1521 S Novato Blvd. #46,  
Novato CA 94947.

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Center, Texas A&M, College Station TX 77844

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first-run RPGA Network events will be held, including a Masters and  
Grandmasters AD&D event, a Masters Call of Cthulhu event, and a Network  
Club team AD&D event.

There will be role playing games, miniatures battles, Battletech, war  
games, a banquet, an awards ceremony, a Network members meeting and  
more. ConnCon boasts a well rounded dealer's room, and many interesting  
wares.

Jean Rabe, RPGA Network Coordinator, will be joining ConnCon as Guest of  
Honor. Jean will present a few seminars, also.

ConnCon is looking for judges and events for all game systems. Several CGC  
(Connecticut Game Club) events were run last year and were well received.  
Write for judge registration and event proposals. Please include an SASE.  
Judges schedules will be accommodated on a first come, first served basis.

Rooms at the Hilton are \$72 for a single to quad. Make reservations  
directly with the Hilton at (203) 794-0600. The Hilton has blocked rooms for  
ConnCon only until March 5th. After that time the remaining rooms may be

released to the public. The Hilton may also raise their rates at that time. I suggest you reserve your room now, to avoid having to take a room elsewhere and to avoid a possible rate increase.

Preregistration will be mailed at the end of January, 1993. For further information write to:

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 DOMINANT: INDEPENDENTS

PARIS MISMATCH  
SUCCESSFUL SIEGE  
OFFICERS HONORED

Our gallant troops concluded the spring siege campaign with a successful storming of the fortress. Recklessly brave, they covered themselves with glory, and came through with minimal casualties.

Among the Fallen, Private Franklin, much to the regret of Paris Society, which had hoped to meet him.

The commander and brigade major of the Frontier Brigade were promoted, along with the Colonel in command of the Frontier Regiment. Also promoted were Meers de Tras and Drax.

Mentioned in Dispatches: Major Alors and Major Cul-de-Sac.

These gallant men forwent the entertainments of Mardi Gras to fight for their country and her honor. Let us welcome them when they return to Paris!

PARIS HAPPENINGS  
NEW ARRIVALS  
SURPRISE CONTEST WINNER

Newly arrived in Paris is M. Franklin, the second son of an impoverished gentleman, whose frail appearance is said to belie his expertise and military skill. We shall watch him with interest.

The Mardi Gras festivities were well attended this year, with competition in every sport.

The fencing competition worked its way down to the semifinals with M Accablant facing M Cul-de-Sac, and M Vincoeur facing M Tresqui.

In the first match, M Accablant drew late, rested, and lunged three times, while M cul-de-Sac stood looking at the rapier in his hand as if he had never seen one before. Led from the field, M Cul-de-Sac was heard to say "Where am I, and what am I doing in this handbasket?" Mlle. Emilie took him home to nurse him, saying he'd been under a lot of strain lately, and that she was sure he would recover given rest and quiet.

In the Second match, M Vincoeur attempted a disarm, while M Tresqui jumped back and returned with a Balestre for first touch. Then Vincoeur touched with a slash, and immediately disarmed his opponent.

Thus, the final match pitted M Accablant against M Vincoeur. Once again, slow to draw, M Accablant barely had his rapier out of its scabbard, when M Vincoeur sent it spinning across the room. The ladies in attendance fairly swooned when they fancied the victor glancing their way....

Months of practice in the other areas of sport paid off for M Tresqui, however, when he won the horsemanship, marksmanship, and footrace competitions, in spite of being, apparently, extremely intoxicated for all three competitions. It is rumored that he could barely walk when he entered the floor for the fencing competition---small wonder he was disarmed so quickly.

After the sporting competitions were over, M Tresqui went out to celebrate his victories, loudly asserting that he would return with a snake tattooed on his arm. Word is, he fell asleep in the artist's chair, and woke to find a worm upon his chest!

While M Cul-de-Sac admired the King's wit at Club Med, the Duke of Burgundy (sitting in for the still-in-petticoats Dauphin) held court at le Moulin Rouge, attended by many admirers, including Messrs Vincoeur and Accablant.

Finally, at the Masked Ball, Cul-de-Sac and Emilie appeared as a hibiscus and a lilac, which costumes were judged exceptionally gaudy, and lost resoundingly in the competition to M Tresqui's modest and tasteful earthworm!

Accablant and Vincoeur also attended.

M Accablant's Shylock is delighted with his client's promptness in paying his debts, and hopes to continue their relationship.

All Paris wonders when M Alors will return to Paris to reap the social benefits of his gallantry in battle.

M Cul-de-Sac, somehow, never stays in Paris long enough to celebrate all his honors. Can it be that he is overextended and dare not stay?

Lt Col. De Tras is approaching the limits of his military advancement at his current social level. It is hoped by those watching his career that he will return to Paris and match his field gallantry with gallantry in the ballroom....

Lt Col Drax is also invited to return to Paris, where both his creditors and the ladies of the city will welcome him.

M Tresqui paid off his debts this season, spent much of the time



thoroughly drunk, even while he competed in the athletic events. Gambling successfully, he made people wonder how he could maintain such prowess in such a condition of stupor. He appeared for the fencing competition with his father's two-handed sword, much to the shock of all. Seeing the expression on Vincoeur's face at the sight of this monstrous weapon facing his rapier in defiance of all the rules, Tresqui burst into a fit of hysterical giggling, dropped the sword on his toe, yelled a time or two, then accepted the loan of a rapier for the bout. After he was disarmed, he was heard to mutter "That WASN'T what Bertrand told me he was going to do!"

We have been asked to publish the following letter:

M. Drax...

Please accept my humble apology, for I have wronged you without my knowing it. I did not send that letter to you, and I am ashamed that it was my name that was placed upon such a foolish threat. I have yet to determine who would write such an ignorant piece of work, or why anyone would. Causing conflict between the two of us would be foolish, for I cannot defeat you, and I am certainly not in anyone's "social" way. I certainly hope that that letter did not cause you any unrest, for it certainly has me. I just wonder what kind of Colonel would want both of us out of his way.

Tresqui.

Another letter handed in at the newspaper office for publication:

Tresqui:

Swine! How dare you defile the pristine streets of Paris with your presence? You then have the impudence to threaten an officer of His Majesty's Army. By what right do you, having given no service to God, King, or Country, make such demands? Be sure you participate in the fencing competition during Mardi Gras, as I shall have the pleasure of giving you the trouncing you most decidedly deserve!

Colonel Terrel de Vincoeur, 13th Fusiliers.

As we have seen, M Tresqui did, indeed, enter the fencing competition, and M Vincoeur did, indeed, trounce him!

One wonders what will happen next season, to compare with the excitements of this!

Notes from La Reine:

To those of you who continue to send in orders, my thanks. Mark, double thanks for giving me something I could publish, instead of

merely using to color the activities chart....  
Roger, it's fun having you add to your standing orders.

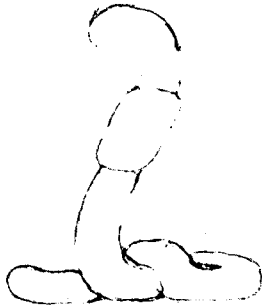
For those who haven't been sending orders, note that your characters are beginning to get foolhardy. They may not last much longer if you do not take them in hand. Jim, Franklin 3 is your last incarnation. DO SOMETHING WITH HIM! He has the military ability and expertise to get somewhere if you handle him right.

Orders for Summer, 1606 are due Saturday, December 19, by mail, phone, or E-Mail. La Reine cannot guarantee to be at Game Club meetings for the next few months, as her father's condition makes it difficult for her to be away from home for long at a time until his Parkinson's is under control, and his Cataract surgery is complete.

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Hope you all had a happy Thanksgiving, and that your Christmas is happy and blessed. Good Gaming

Carolyn



The notorious  
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