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DIPLOMACY GAME 7. 1984HC THE MILITUS.

RETREATS: RUSSIA - A RUM-UKR, ENGLAND - F ENG-PIC

1903 WINTER BUILDS:

(Bernard)RUSSIA: DISBANDS F BAL

(Bah)TURKEY: BUILD A SMY

(Pack)ITALY: BUILD A VEN, F NAP

(Carroll)AUS/HU/: EVEN

(Parker)FRANCE: EVEN

(Lambert)GERMAN: BUILD F KIE

(Cartier)ENGLAN: BUILD F LON

STATUS: UNITS and LOCATION

RUSSIA: A SWE, A SEV, A GAL, F NWF, A MOS, A UKR

PROVINCES OWNED

STP, MOS, WAR, SEV, SWE, NWF

6

CON, ANK, SMY, BUL, SER, RUM

6

VEN, ROM, NAP, TRI, TUN, BUD, VIE

7

GRE

1

PAR, BRE, SPA, POR, BEL

5

BER, KIE, MUN, DEN

4

EDI, LPL, LON, MAR, HOL

5

TURKEY: A RUM, F BLA, A ARM, A CON, A BUL,

A SMY

ITALY: A BUD, A TRI, F AEG, F ION, A VIE, A VEN,

F NAP

AUS/HU: F GRE

FRANCE: A BEL, A BUR, A SPA, F MID, F ENG

GERMAN: F NRG, A BER, A DEN, F KIE

ENGLAN: F HOL, A EDI, F MAR, F PIC, F LON

Press:

Turkey-Russia: Soon Russians will be taking turkish baths.

Turkey-England: German survival without moves shows your competence.

Sicily: Well, at least it doesn't snow here during the winter. Next winter, all of my allies can come vacation on the lovely, warm Sicilian beaches with me, FREE!

(London, Reuters) The Prime Minister has set the date for the ultimate defeat of the French. "They have nothing left but rabble," he said. Meanwhile, many are concerned about the shortage of wine due to the hostilities.

SPRING 1904 MOVES ARE DUE JUNE 15, 1985

DIPLOMACY GAME 11. 1985K THE MARATHON.

1902 SPRING MOVES:

(Greenlee)RUSSIA: a SEV s Aus a bud-RUM, a MOS s a SEV, a war-UKR, a pru-BER, f swe-BAL
 (Raymond)TURKEY: f con-AEG, a ank-ARM, a rum-sev/r- GAL, OTB/, f BLA s a rum-sev
 a bul-rum/r- CON, OTB/
 (Parker)ITALY: NMR! a VEN, a APU, f TUN, f NAP
 (Gentry)AUS/HU: a bud-RUM, a ser-BUL, f GRE s a ser-BUL, a tri-SER, a vie-TRI
 (Plummer)FRANCE: f por-SPA(SC), a MUN s Eng a den-KIE, a par-BUR, f bre-MID, f mar-LYO,
 a spa-MAR
 (Vlahos)GERMAN: NMR! a RUH, a kie/d/, f HOL
 (Graessle)ENGLAN: a den-KIE, f nth-BEL, f lon-NTH, f edi-NRG, f nwy-SKA

STATUS: UNITS and LOCATION

RUSSIA: A BER, A SEV, F BAL, A MOS, A UKR
 TURKEY: F BLA, A bul?, A rum?, F AEG, A ARM
 ITALY: A VEN, A APU, F TUN, F NAP
 AUS/HU: A BUL, A SER, F GRE, A TRI, A RUM
 FRANCE: F SPA(SC), A MUN, A MAR, A BUR, F MID,
 F LYO
 GERMAN: A RUH, F HOL
 ENGLAN: F SKA, F BEL, A KIE, F NTH, F NRG

PROVINCES OWNED

STP, MOS, WAR, SEV, SWE
 5
 CON, ANK, SMY, BUL, RUM
 5
 VEN, ROM, NAP, TUN
 4
 BUD, VIE, TRI, SER, GRE
 5
 PAR, BRE, MAR, POR, SPA, MUN
 6
 BER, KIE, HOL
 3
 EDI, LPL, LON, NWY, DEN
 5

GM's game notes: Turkey's move A RUM-SEV fails to cut Russian support by A SEV for AUSTRIA's A BUD-RUM because the RUSSIAN support is being given into the province from which the attacking unit is coming. In turn, AUSTRIA's move A BUD-RUM succeeds because it is supported and TURKEY's A RUM is moving into a different province, thus it has no support against the AUSTRIAN attack.

GERMANY's A KIE is destroyed because any unit which is part of a major power whose player NMR's holds in place, but, if dislodged, is disbanded and may not retreat. See HR 17 and game rule XIV.3.

Both Italy(Parker) and Germany(Vlahos) are charged with one NMR! A second NMR and a player is OUT OF THE GAME!

COA: Effective June 1, Chisholm F. Gentry, Jr., PO Box 1082, Amhurst MA 01004, ph(413)549-4455.

COA: Effective after May 20, Nick Vlahos, 431 Sandy, Wilmette IL 60091

PRESS:

Au/Hu to Italy - Hello?

Au/Hu to Russia - Hello?

England-France: How can Italy be making pasta and Pizza? If he doesn't know how to write, he surely can't know how to cook. I heard someone has to change his diapers.

England-Russia: Fear not. I'm just moving to protect my centers. My fleets will remain in Denmark and Norway.

England-Russia: I trust your trip to Europe was enjoyable. Did you stop by and visit the Queen?

England-Austria: Have you figured out who your allied with yet?

FALL 1902 MOVES ARE DUE NO LATER THAN JUNE 15, 1985

FINAL CONFLICT III, FALL 2102!

(Map on page 6)

RETREATS: CHI - f mal-BUR, PAL - a ind-PAK

AUS(Nelsen): f chs-VIE, f MAL s f chs-VIE, f NEI s PAL a pak-IND, f swp-MWP, p per-BOR, f jav-PHI

ERA(Graessle): a col-AMA, p AMA s USA f mwa-BEL, f dal goes in search of JR Ewing/r-CAR, OTB/, f ven-GUI, f sep-SWP, f rio-ARG

CHI(Bahl): f JAP holds, f BUR s a ind, a ind s f BUR/r- SIN, OTB/, p sha s a ind/r- CAN, BUR, SIN, JAP, OTB

PAL(Booze): f med-MOR, p EGY s f med-MOR, a SUD s a SOM, a SOM holds, a pak-IND, f PSG s a pak-IND

RUS(Daniels): f nwg-ICE, f eng-NEA, a fra-IBE, a oms-MON, a mon-PEK, f pek-SHA, f SOJ-jap, p KAZ s PAL a pak-IND

SAF(Lambert): a cha-NIG, f MAU-mor, f KEN holds, f NWI s f KEN

USA(Olin): f que-SAS, f new-DAL, p NEW s f cen-VEN, p MEX s f cen-VEN, a MEX s f new-DAL, f cen-VEN, f mwa-BEL

STATUS: UNITS and LOCATION

AUS: F MAL, F VIE, P BOR, F MWP, F NEI, F PHI
Maint=#18

ERA: F SWP, F GUI, F dal?, A AMA, P AMA, F ARG
Maint=#15 if f dal is disbanded, else #18

CHI: F JAP, F BUR, A ind?, P sha?

Maint=#6 to #12 depending on retreats or disbands

PAL: F PSG, A IND, A SOM, P EGY, F MOR, A SUD
Maint=#18

RUS: P KAZ, F NEA, A IBE, A MON, F SHA, A PEK,
F SOJ, F ICE

Maint=#24

SAF: A NIG, F MAU, F NWI, F KEN

Maint=#12

USA: P MEX, F VEN, F BEL, A MEX, F SAS, F DAL
P NEW

Maint=#21

PROVINCES OWNED/ TREASURY

ade, BRI, dar, MEL, PER, SYD, BOR
NEZ, sum, MAL, VIE, phi / \$3+\$28=\$31
AMA, [BEL], mat, RIO, SAL, arg, bol
gui, [VEN], COL, [dal] / \$1-\$1+\$16=\$16
CAN, [SHA], <sin/w05>, [VIE], bur,
JAP, [IND] / \$2+\$7=\$9
BAG, EGY, kur, SAU, syr, TEH, SOM
pak IND, sud, MOR / \$0+\$25=\$25
ARK, HUN, kam, kaz, MOS, OMS, pol
sib, VLA, GER, ENG, mon, kor, MAN,
PEK, fra, ice, IBE, SHA / \$0+\$41=\$41
bot, CAP, MOZ, NAM, RHO, mad, SEN
zam, ZAI, ken, cha, mau, nig / \$10+\$25=\$35
ALA, CHI, dal, haw, neb, NEW, LOS
QUE, MEX, cen, sas, VEN, BEL
/ \$0+\$1+\$29=\$30

GM: Notes on the above adjudication: CHI a ind may retreat to SIN because the retreat move is counted as occurring in a separate "movement season". Retreats into a nuked area are expressly forbidden during the same turn in which the area is nuked, but in the turn following, only movement into the area is forbidden... therefore, retreats of units from the following turn MAY retreat into a previously nuked province. SEE rules 7.C.1 and 7.C.2. This is open to interpretation, but I've decided to split the hairs here. Note that the plane in the order p sha ... cannot stand against a single attacking land unit. See rule 6.A.5. The plane can retreat to any friendly space within two provinces. Note, also, the distance that PAL is able to fly his plane p EGY to support an attack into MOR, yet he could NOT get there if he took an overland route. The move f dal goes... is illegal and becomes a hold, but is dislodged by a two-to-one attack.

Press:

CHI-USA: You can have our chefs to cook in New York. We hate Borscht!

Derek-George: I hope you reconsider.

General Secretary Daniels-Fogbothom: "I grant you passage, but only to Greenland."

General Secretary Daniels-PAL and SAF: "I hope it works!!"

General Secretary Daniels-CHI: "Now, don't make me do that again."

General Secretary Daniels-AUS: "It won't be too much longer till our enemy begs for mercy. To which we shall reply: NEVER!"

From the desk of the Secretary of State Fobgotham

GREETING!

This desk is pleased to announce agreement in principle to replace the unstable military junta in Brazil with a modern desk from Alaskan Brainboxes, Ltd. This positive step towards responsible government in the area is sure to advance the cause of world peace.

This desk is most alarmed at maltreatment of antique furniture by Soviet forces impermissibly occupying Western Europe. This desk will not rest until every stick of furniture in Europe can hold its head up, whether French Provincial or Swedish Modern. Free desks! Free Chairs! Free wardrobes and armoires!

USA-RUS: Is our signature acceptable?

USA-PAL: I regret to inform you that unauthorized conversion of our furniture voids the warranty issued by ABL. We cannot provide spare parts for the chair in question.

USA-AUS: Your medicine man must be wrong, I see no scratches. Perhaps you should replace him with a high-quality altar from Alaskan brainboxes, Ltd.?

The WINTER 2102 ADJUSTMENTS ARE DUE JUNE 15, 1985.

DIPLOMACY GAME #12 IS NOW OPEN. THIS WILL BE A REGULAR NATIONAL PLAYER'S GAME OF DIPLOMACY. NO MORE THAN TWO PLAYERS FROM THE SAME TELEPHONE AREA CODE WILL BE ACCEPTED INTO THIS GAME. THE GAME FEE IS \$4(INCLUDES A \$2 NMR FEE). SEE ABOVE FOR SUB FEES AND SEE ALSO THE NOTE ON STANDBYS. SIX PLAYERS HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST (I.E. PAID THEIR GAME FEE) IN THIS GAME SO FAR. LAMBERT (LA), McCARTHY (OTTAWA,CANADA), GENTRY (MA), CARROLL (CA), GRAESSLE (NJ), STREET (MA)

STANDBYs are wanted - anyone may have their name placed on my standby list for the asking, however, to receive the 'zine, you must be a subscriber or be trading with us. A standby pays no game fee. Standbys are wanted for DIPLOMACY games and variants. Starting with the next issue, a standby will be given a one issue extention for every issue in which he/she acts as a standby, BUT, the standby player must FIRST be a subscriber. It is my hope that this new policy will encourage more players to act as standbys. Players currently acting as standbys will also benefit from this policy.

REFUNDS - PRORATA REFUNDS OF ANY UNUSED PORTION OF A SUBSCRIPTION IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO ANY SUBSCRIBER UPON REQUEST. GAME FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE AFTER A GAME STARTS. NMR FEES ARE REFUNDABLE TO PLAYERS WHO FAITHFULLY COMPLETE A GAME OR RESIGN PROPERLY(SEE HR's FOR DETAILS).

HOUSE RULES (HR's) are provided to every player at the start of a game. A copy of current HR's may be obtained upon request for an SASE (it's better to use a long (#10) envelope).

Editorial&c. As you know, I have been on the ragged edge as far as game standbys have been concerned. Therefore, I have decided to open up my policy for standby players a little bit, and provide subscription extentions for standby players, thereby, hopefully, encouraging more players to consider becoming standbys. We'll see if this works out or not. Anyway, we'll try it for a while. Speaking of standbys, I am at the bottom of my list, and really do need more. It appears that game #11 (THE MARATHON : 1985K) may soon need at least one standby or maybe two inasmuch as two players just NMRed! I can't get over how many standbys seem to be necessary to keep these games going.

On a more pleasant note, I am rushing to complete this issue because I will be leaving

tomorrow, Sunday, May 19, for Detroit to take a one-week IBM computer course, at company expense, of course. As I mentioned in the last issue, I had been delaying the mailing of the issues one day to allow time to get the FCIII maps printed. For a while, I thought that I would have to skip the maps this issue or mail them out separately because I knew that I would have to get this issue out by tonight since I would be leaving for Detroit tomorrow. By chance, all of the players for FCIII got their moves in by Thursday and I was able to do the adjudication Thursday night and get the maps printed on Friday, so they are included in the issue after all.

On the other hand, I have had to rush things once more, and there is always the risk that more errors creep in when this is done. Players should pay extra careful attention this time to make sure that I did not slip up and let something get by. Naturally, if you do find anything odd, please let me know right away.

While I have not had time to review my adjudications this time, I have been using a new system which is beginning to show some positive results. This system of comparing the results with the actual orders and the final dispositions with the previous status has enabled me to catch several errors which I may have overlooked in former efforts.

Also, I have continued to work on my computer adjudication programs and have made further progress. While it is not certain that all cases will be handled correctly, I have been running some tests lately and the adjudication program has correctly handled the first two seasons of game #7, replicating the results in the zine. I am now working on the interseason phase (a separate program which I call DIPUTIL to handle retreats, disbands and winter builds. This is almost done and is in final testing now. Once this program works correctly and replicates the results of retreats and builds, I will begin to use it as a tool to review my own adjudications. This should provide an even better quality product, and should reduce errors to virtually zero, at least for DIPLOMACY games.

Since I have just a little bit more space and a few more minutes before I have to wrap things up, I thought that I might review the computer adjudication systems which I have built and begin a discussion of its various facets. Last year, I had published portions of the various programs, but I never did really cover the full gamut of all of the programs and the approach that I took to resolve some of the various problems that I encountered. It seems that this would be a good time to do so, or at least start the process, so here goes.

The DIPLOMACY ADJUDICATION system which I designed consists of a series of four programs: 1) DIPINITL, 2) DIPORDER, 3) DIPADJUD, and 4) DIPUTIL.

Each program serves a distinct function. DIPINITL is used to create a starting file called PROVINCE/STR which contains the starting values of the province records. By changing this program, different variant starting positions can be obtained. The file which is created, must be moved or renamed to the initial starting file of the game which is to be run. The name of this file must be on the order of XXXXXXPR/CUR, where XXXXXX is a five or six character name used for the game, and must start with an alpha character. Thus 1984HC is entered, for file control purposes, as HC1984 and the starting file for this game is then HC1984PR/CUR. This is the province file. A new copy is created for each season by DIPUTIL as input to the next seasons moves run by DIPADJUD. As a game progresses, an output file created by DIPADJUD contains the positions of the units at the end of each season, enabling one to recreate or restart the game at any point in the game.

DIPORDER is used to enter the orders from the players as received. Orders can be input in any sequence, for any country and corrected or changed, added to or deleted as required. Thus, as orders are received from a player they can be entered and only the last minute orders or changes need be added or corrected just before running the adjudication. DIPADJUD uses the order file, which is different for each season, as input to the adjudication process. The order file takes the form of XXXXXX/S01 where the XXXXXX is the same format as above and the S01 is the season the orders are for. In this way, each seasons orders are captured and saved for future analysis. Thus, with the province records saved at the beginning and end of each season and the orders for each season captured, a game can be restarted at any point or rerun from any point. This is most useful for analysis or the study of "what if" situations.

DIPADJUD is the main program which does adjudications. It uses as input, the orders file and the province file, both previously described. During its processing, DIPADJUD

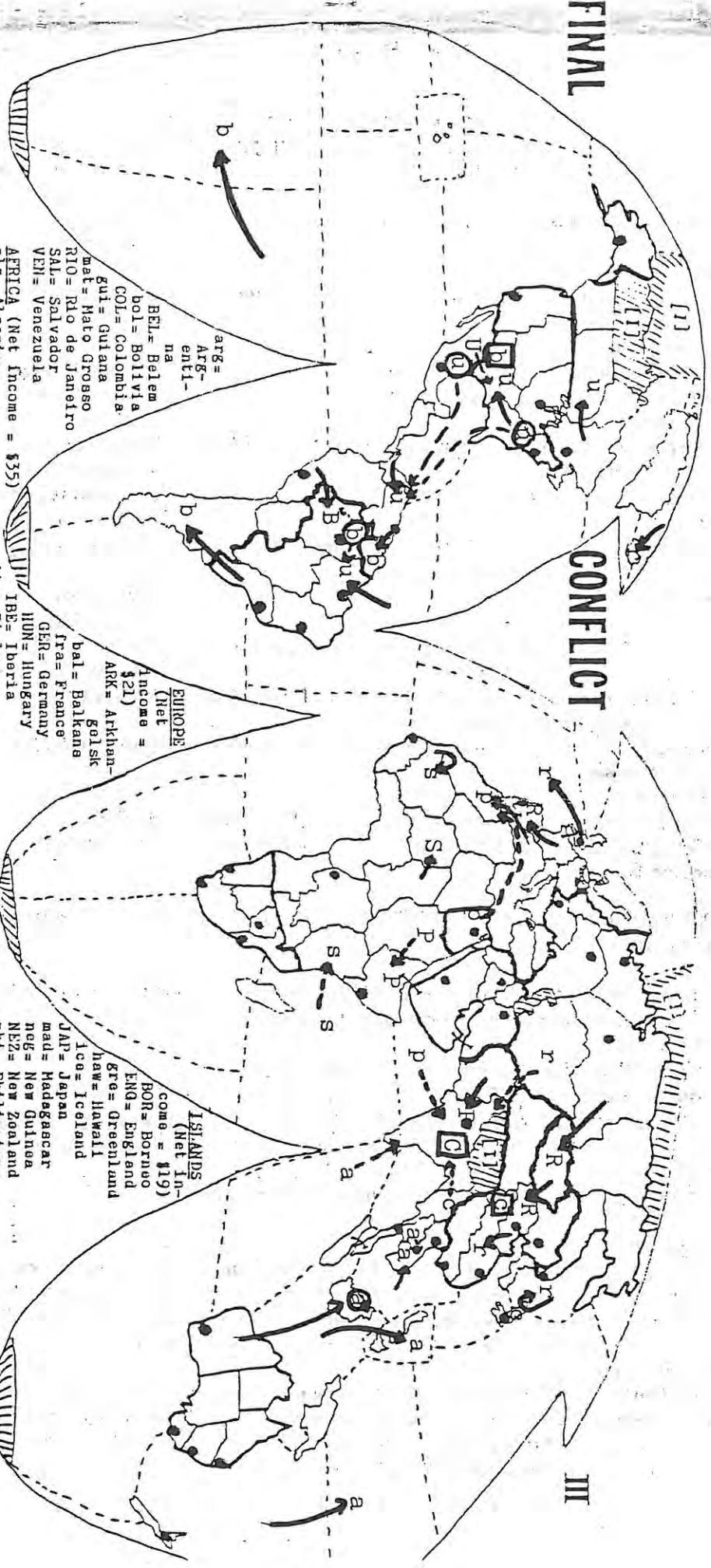
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- a - fleet
- A - army
- a - plane
- ▲ - nuke

- moves
- ⇨ falls
- ⇨ supports
- ⇨ dislodged
- ⇨ destroyed

FINAL

CONFLICT



KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS
(Supply Centers in CAPS)
NORTH AMERICA (Net In-
come = \$23)

- ALA= Alaska
- alB= Alberta
- cen= Central America
- CHI= Chicago
- Dal= Dallas
- LOS= Los Angeles
- MEX= Mexico
- neb= Nebraska
- NEW= New York
- QUE= Quebec
- sas= Saskatchewan
- SOUTH AMERICA (Net In-
come = \$22)
- AMA= Amazonas

AFRICA (Net Income = \$35)

- arg= Argentina
- ARk= Arkhansolsk
- BEI= Belem
- bol= Bolivia
- COL= Colombia
- gui= Guinea
- mat= Mato Grosso
- RIO= Rio de Janeiro
- SAL= Salvador
- VEN= Venezuela
- IBR= Iberia
- Ita= Italy

EUROPE (Net Income = \$21)

- ARK= Arkhansolsk
- bal= Balkans
- fre= France
- GER= Germany
- HUN= Hungary
- IBR= Iberia
- Ita= Italy
- MOS= Moscow
- pol= Poland
- scs= Scandinavia
- tur= Turkey
- ASIA (Net Income = \$49)
- BAG= Baghdad
- bur= Burma
- CAN= Canton
- EGY= Egypt
- IND= India
- kam= Kamchatka
- kaz= Kazakhstan
- kor= Korea
- kur= Kurdistan
- MAN= Manchuria
- MAL= Malaysia
- mon= Mongolia

ISLANDS (Net In-
come = \$19)

- ONS= Omsk
- pak= Pakistan
- PEK= Peking
- SUV= Saudi Arabia
- SHA= Shanghai
- sib= Siberia
- sin= Sinkiang
- SYR= Syria
- TJE= Tehran
- VIE= Vietnam
- VLA= Vladivostok
- AUSTRALIA (Net
Income = \$14)
- ade= Adelaide
- BRI= Brisbane
- dar= Darwin
- MEL= Melbourne
- PER= Perth
- SYD= Sydney

SEA ZONES

- bal= Baltic Sea
- ber= Bering Sea
- bla= Black Sea
- bob= Bay of Bengal
- car= Caribbean Sea
- chs= China Sea
- hud= Hudson Bay
- JAV= Java Sea
- lab= Labrador Sea
- mon= Mid Eastern Atlantic
- med= Mediterranean
- mop= Mid Eastern Pacific
- mwa= Mid Western Atlantic

(Net Income of board = \$103.)

- mwp= Mid Western Pacific
- nee= North Eastern Atlantic
- nel= North Eastern Indian
- nep= North Eastern Pacific
- nwa= North Western Atlantic
- nws= North Western Indian
- nwp= North Western Pacific
- peg= Persian Gulf
- sea= South Eastern Atlantic
- set= South Eastern Indian
- sep= South Eastern Pacific
- soj= Sea of Japan
- sua= South Western Atlantic
- swi= South Western Indian
- swp= South Western Pacific
- yel= Yellow Sea

SOURCE OF THE NILE

PLAYER'S LIST: INCLUDES ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND CORRECTIONS.

Player Name	Syndicate Name	Explorer Name	Speciality	Disadvantages(d) Advantages(a)	Nationlty	V P	F P
Jeff Cornett	Viana-do-Castelo Coptic Church of Astrology	Dr. Nots G. Nivil	Doctor	Directional Sense(d)	Portuguese	15	0
David MacRae	The Church of the Water(Unblended) of Life	Alfred H. McGuffin	Journalist	Survivality(d)	Scottish	3	0
Sue Cornett	Paris Museum of Interesting Specimens	Mademoiselle Roxy LaRue	Zoologist	Double Physique(d) Survivality(a) Health(a)	French	4	2
Chuck Holleman	Societe Des Pierres et Choses Neat de Geneva	Orte'go de Dago	Ethnology	Health(d) Leadership(a) Directional Sense(a) Physique(a)	Portuguese	61	4
Pam Holleman	The Molasses and Sorghum Pharmaceutical Institute	Dr. Hypo Guy Cemia	Physician	Physique(d) Survivality(a) Directional Sense(a) Double Leadership(a,+1)	French	32	1
Doug Ford	Dublin Ethnological Survey	Lady Caroline Nelson	Explorer	Diplomacy(d) Double Physique(d)	British	2	1
Lou Cerreta	La Explorazione del 'la Aqua Vitae	Guido Vittorio Sconzinese	Missionary	Survivality(a)	Italian	16	3
Steve Harris	Zuriches Geologisches Institut	Robert Robert	Explorer	Survivality(d)	Swiss	0	0
Earl Whiskeyman	The Society to Save Endangered Species (for us)	Fenisque C. Perceival	Big Game Hunter	Double Physique(d)	German	0	0

NOTES FROM THE JOURNAL OF THE ROYAL ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY - Edited by LORD HARRISON BURKE, Spring, 1834

NOTE: ALL items in this column are RUMOR, therefore they are subject to error. No piece of information may be considered accurate until published by the explorer upon return to Europe.

- IN EUROPE

"McGUFFIN released from prison, returns to England"

- Explorer and journalist, ALFRED H. McGUFFIN has returned to England, claiming to have walked across the African continent. Several years ago, McGuffin led an expedition out of Kilwa, and, last month, was released from prison in Luanda. It appears that he has made an epic crossing on the African continent.

Daily Telegram - "McGuffin led across Africa by Aliens"

- IN AFRICA

ROBERT ROBERT arrives in Kilwa this turn. He spends some time organizing a expedition, but seems very secretive in his actions. Rumor has it that he will attempt to explore the areas in which Prof. Humbert disappeared. The exact nature of Robert's mission in Africa is conjecture at this point, but it is believed that he is going to retrieve a valuable "geological" specimen left in Africa.

FENISQUE C. PERCEIVAL moves forward this turn. His expedition picks itself up, with its pride only slightly damaged and moves into hex 136, which is a jungle hex. This hex contains nothing special. His hunters obtain 3 rations each. Perceival's own hunting skill seems to have improved. He managed to keep from killing himself this turn.

GUIDO VITTORIO SCONZINESE continues down stream guided by faith that this is the river which will lead him to Khartoum. He moves without incident through hexes 250, veldt; 227, jungle; and 226, also a jungle hex. He ends his movement in hex 226, a jungle hex in which the river turns and flows in direction 4 into hex 248. He stops to pray for direction. The Lord provides his hunters with 2 rations each. He reminds his men that "I may be at the tiller, but the Lord is in command, so take your complaints elsewhere."

LADY CAROLINE NELSON walks into hex 561 which she discovers is a swamp hex. She must retreat into 574, after finding no natives. Her expedition is now unmounted because desert tribesmen slipped into her camp and stole 19 horses. She was only able to save 5 pack mounts. She seems to be surrounded by swamp. Will she be able to continue north?

DR. NOTS G. NIVIL continues to wander upstream, following the river he did not discover. He makes his way into hex 378, which is a jungle hex. The river flows into hex 377, which is direction 5. He is able to provide himself with food this turn, so he does not starve.

After being renewed by a BON-BON break, DR. HYPO GUY CEMIA moves on. He leads his expedition into hex 111, which he discovers is a mountain hex, with the highest peaks being 13,200 ft. The expedition finds nothing of interest in this mountain hex. In fact, the good doctor's hunters are unable to provide the expedition with rations. They are forced to eat Bon-Bons. It is reported that the good doctor was very happy after returning from a climb to the top of one of the peaks. The good doctor claimed that he could see the desert just stretching out before him. The Askaris who accompanied him said that he went much higher into the mountain than they did.

ORTE'GO DE DAGO moves on, after watching one of his bearers being eaten by a lion. The unlucky bearer wandered away from camp and was attacked by a pride of lions before anyone could do anything. Dago moves his expedition into hex 577, which is a mountain hex with a river which flows out of hex 576. He must decide whether to follow the river downstream into hex 578 or upstream into 576. His hunters provide the expedition with enough rations to feed the army. He is disappointed that he does not find any natives.

MADEMOISELLE ROXY LARUE decides that it is time to stop and powder her nose and make herself beautiful. She knows that an interesting specimen will wander down the street soon.

SOTN - STATUS OF THE EXPEDITIONS:

#turns ride pack

Explorer Askaris Bearers Guides Canoes Rations Gifts Muskets Locn Lost Mount Mount Cmls Spec

	in Europe													
McGuffin	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	576	2	0	0	2	2	
LaRue	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	577	0	0	0	0	0	
Dago	27	46	2	0	239	60	1	577	0	0	0	0	0	
Cemia	19	28	0	0	44	135	13	111	0	0	0	0	0	
Sconzinese	6	16	1	2	82	0	3	226	0	0	0	0	0	
Robert	- Arrives Kilwa													
Nelson	8	4	0	0	64	25	2	574	0	5	0	0	0	
Perceival	4	17	1	0	94	20	1	136	0	0	0	0	0	
Nivil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	378	0	0	0	0	0	

KNOWN CACHES:

#	OWNER	LOC	CONTENTS	#	OWNER	LOC	CONTENTS
1	Twombly	532	25 Gifts, 2 Muskets, 1 Canoe	9	McGuffin	431	1 Canoe, 16 Gifts, 1 Musket
2	O'Foran	211	31 Rations	10	Humbert	470	26 Gifts
3	Dago	260	1 Canoe, 1 Gift	11	Humbert	451	17 Gifts
4	McBuns	182	1 Canoe	12	Humbert	450	1 Canoe, 10 Gifts, 1 Musket
5	Twombly	523	2 Canoes, 17 Gifts				
6	Twombly	521	20 Rations	13	Nivil	431	93 Gifts
7	Humbert	452	20 Gifts, 1 Geological Specimen	14	Dago	616	5 Canoes
8	Humbert	471	15 Gifts	15	LaRue	576	1 Canoe, 10 Gifts
				16	Sconzinese	298	1 Canoe

Players are reminded to submit their next move by March 16, 1985, to THE ROYAL ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY, PO BOX 2004, DARIEN, CT., 06820

EN GARDE...WITH AN ENGLISH ACCENT

NAME	SL	ST	EN	CON	EXP	MA	REGT	M	CLUB	QUID	FAV
ADDLEBURY	10*	10	10	100	9+1.5r1c	4	Ens/Slp	R	Bag	142	12
BURKE	12	13	11	143	15	2	Ens/Flag	-	Csh	710	3
HAMBONE	19*	10	8	80	12+3.25s	5	Col/RSG	A	Csh	1339	367
HENDON	16*	11	13	143	9+2.25s1p	3	Bvt Lt Gen	J	Apo*	1128	56
HORNBLOWER	12	13	8	104	9+.75c	5	Cdr/Otto	V	Mer	439	3
MORGAN	18	12	11	132	7+2.75c	10	M.D.	S	Apo	4966	566
O'CONNOR	12*	14	10	140	12+3.75r	9	Bvt Gen	P	Mer*	1055	3346
PARKSBROW	10	10	9	90	10+10.5c	3	Ens/Flag	T	Mer	2326	26
T-WACKER	KILLED IN FRANCE ROBBING A CARRIAGE.....R.I.P.										
TURNER	6	16	14	224	8+4r	5	Capt/HA	N	Bag	40	23
(MacRae)	6#	16	10	160	11	5	---			500	---

(*-Indicates a change. # - unmodified.)

APPOINTMENTS:

Addlebury - Nav Surg
 Hambone - Army Adj, Just. (3/33)
 Morgan - Prof, Coroner (9/32)
 O'Connor - Col Gov (3/33)

MENTION:

Hambone (11?, 1, 1)(1)
 Hendon (2)
 Morgan (20, 20, 20)(4)
 O'Connor (2)

DEBTS: Turner, 330 3/32. 220, 6/32. TITLES: Knight: O'Connor,
 Morgan (?), Hambone (?)

MISTRESSES: (SL, *=kept, B=Beauty, E=Engaged, I=Influence,
 M=Married, P=Pregnant)

*ALICE	12IMW	FRANCES	6BI	KATE	8	*PATRICIA	10BIW
BARBARA	9I	GRACE	11	LORETTA	10B	*RHONDA	9BPW
CHARLOTTE	10I	*HENRIETTA	18BIMW	MARY	15W	*SARAH	16E
DELORES	10W	IRENE	9I	*NELL	9BI	*TESS	15E
EMILY	7	*JOAN	14BEW	OLIVIA	12BI	*VIOLET	13

LONDON TATLER "ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS" WINTER 1632

ALLIANCE SHATTERED AS SWEDES MOVE ON RHINE - FOREIGN COMMITTEE
 PROCLAIMS "STRICT NEUTRALITY" - CAVALRY OFFICER TURNED HIGHWAYMAN
 SLAIN IN FRANCE - HAMBONE NAMED JUSTICIAR - O'CONNOR TO INDIAN POST

The great alliance which laid low the armies of the Emperor has
 foundered on the rocks of mean politicke stryfe and caprice. While
 anxious Austrian officials were evacuating Vienna, King Gustav
 reversed the direction of his remaining forces and occupied the
 ecclesiastical provinces on the Rhine. French officials reacted
 with shock and anger, mobilising troops at Rheims and cutting off
 subsidies to the Swedes.

The crisis forced His Majesty to call the Foreign Committee into
 extended session. After twelve days of sub rosa meetings in the
 Star Chamber, Secretary of State Lord Quincannon said, "I ween yon

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queene's people dinna want us fighting wi' yon French, but many dâvers merchants and adventures are more afraid of French troops near Flanders than of the Swedes at Mainz. There will be nae campaign force to gae tae yon Europe this year."

But of course, officers of captain and above are free to sign on for the summer in foreign armies. Among those now in London recruiting were two Italian counts, Orlando Massimino di Villanueva and Luigi Carnesecca di San Giovanni, who both desparately need officers for their war, the previous officers having been shot by mutinous troops. Also recruiting were Prince Ivan Sonofovich (Russia), Don Pardo (Spain) and Comte Chanson Asongout (France). Any officer so mad as to volunteer to fight for scruffy foreigners might expect to return by the end of November.

OBITUARY: PERCIVAL Q. TAFFYWACKER, BART. (1607-1632)

Debt drives some men to desparate measures. And as it was his enormous debt which drove the late Percy Taffywacker to eat cold meat and crude bread, it was debt which drove him to take up highway robbery along the French coast. With typical thoroughness, Taffywacker managed numerous successful robberies, including that of the Duc du Guyenne's carriage. But when Taffywacker tried to hold up a navy pay wagon near Harfleur, he was shot by a guard and died of his wounds within the hour at the church of St Crispin nearby. Taffywacker, the heir to the Taffywacker buggy-whip fortune, had risen from the rank of private to Lt Colonel in the Royal Dragons, and had been twice mentioned in dispatches, for the Battle of Speck-an-der-Tei and for operations against Welsh bandits. The 25 year-old baronet was buried in the Dutth village of Tryvaal Purshuit, where he was something of a local benefactor.

His Majesty managed to break away from cares of state to host an extravagant New Years' celebration at the Apollo Club. Dignitaries ranged from Cardinal Maserati to Huguenot preacher Jerome Faloueil; from world-renowned Dutch painters to members of the Durham Tobacconists' Guild. Sveral officers used the connections made at the party to gain government appointments, with Gen. Sir D.F. O'Connor being named Gouvernor of Bombay and Col. H.H. Hambone being appointed Justiciar with an offer of knighthood. Hambone's first case may well be the mysterious disappearance of Lord Burke.

ROMANCE DEPT.: Lt Gen Miles Hendon announced plans to wed Lady Joan Jeffries at St Paul's Cathedral the first week in April, with a reception at the Apollo...After her fiance paid a £2,000 ransom to Irish rebels for her safe return, Lady Sarah St. Simon has reluctantly agreed to marry outside the Church of England. She and Dr. Morgan have yet to select a firm date for the event, however ...Absent-minded behavious by Ens J.R. Parksrow has led to

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concerns for his sanity. Fiance Tess Talbott has been nursing the young naval officer ever since the latter offered her a second engagement ring.

From the mysterious East comes word of Cdr Horhblower's safe arrival in Constantinople. He is said to have taken on as a servant and guide a retired Turkish army sergeant named ar-Nast Bhilkhou. Sgt. Bhilkhou has been trying to interest the Commander in some Persian rugs.

MEDICAL NOTES: Dr. Leawellyn ap Morgan was abruptly rushed to Whitehall in December to treat the young Prince of Wales for severe colic. The grateful Queen has convinced His Majesty to offer Dr. Morgan a knighthood "provided he comes up with £1,000, of course." Morgan also treated members of the Foreign Committee for eye strain and dispepsia, and has raised \$46,000 towards construction of a new hospital... Ens Mark Addlebury has been transferred to the sloop HMS Tercel, as the crew of HMS Codfish have no more teeth. Addlebury is said to be nearly ready to submit a scholarly paper for publication.

Letter received from Germany:

You schweinhunds!

Pappenheim did not rout the Saxons at Breitenfeld, I did. Pappenheim took off like a scared rabbit the minute Tortensson's cavalry showed up. The facts in order must be before they are to be printed.

Egon VII
Graf von Furstenburg

Dave MacRae's new character is the second son of a wealthy knight.

Orders for Spring 1632 are due June 8, 1985.

EN GARDE!

NAME	SL	STR	CON	END	EXPERTISE	MA	REGIMENT	MIST CLUB	CROWNS	FAVORS
Bezhlukov	25	10	17	102@	17+6.25r	4	Maj/RFG	G MR	5547	9,7,3
Calais	11*	12	11	105@	13+2r	1	Capt/PM	J Hunt*	910	2,4
Danton	5	9	14	113@	10+1r	6	Capt/CPC	F F&P	1634	1
de Fer	13	15	10	150	10+5p	2*	Col/CG*	K BW	101	3,6
Gerard	15*	13	14	182	13+8.50s	9	Maj/DG*	M BW	98	4,6
Lafayette	29*	11	11	121	30.50r/1p/z	8	General	E MR	11175+	9,6,9,9
LeMoynes	19*	8	12	96	5+11s/5p/x	10	Bvt Lt Gen	D* MR	5521	6,8,3
Poisson	23*	12	15	180	11+2,2HS/9.5d/y	3	Lt Col/KM	- MR	950	8,4
St Robes	12*	10	12	120	9+.5r	5	Lt Col/GR	A Hunt	509	3,4
(Ford)	1	14	13	182	11	6	-	- -	10	-

x +7M(Marksmanship)
y +12M, +2FR(Foot Race), +8H
z +6H(Horsemanship)
+ 1000 cr. invest in comm. 15000 in arms
1000 cr. investment in arms

TITLES:

Knight: LeMoynes, Gerard, Poisson, de Fer*
Baron:
Marquis:
Earl: Bezhlukov
Viscount:
Count:
Duc: Lafayette

* indicates a change up or down (Expertise, Crowns, Mention Points and Favors change frequently and thus are not marked)
@ indicates a temporary change

MISTRESSES SL (*=kept, B=beauty, I=influence, W=wealthy)

*Anne Marie	11 BW	*Fifi	6 BI	*Katherine	15	Paulette	11
Babbete	8 BIW	*Giselle	18 B	Lisette	10 W	Quintina	10 IW
Céleste	8 I	Heloise	13 BW	*Margueritte	14 BW	Renée	10 BIW
Desirée	10 IW	Isabelle	9 B	Nicolle	13	Susette	11
*Elise	15 I	*Josephine	11 B	*Olivia	17 W	Thérèse	8 BW

MENTION POINTS:

Bezhlukov	8, 8, 8 (7)	Danton	7, 7, 7 (3)	de Fer	21, 9, 9 (3)
Le Moynes	-, -, - (10)	Gerard	-, -, - (4)	Poisson	-, -, - (7)
Calais	-, -, - (-)	Lafayette	-, -, - (14)	St Robes	-, -, - (3)

MILITARY APPOINTMENTS

Aide to General: Bezhlukov
Provincial Gov.: Le Moynes
Aide to Fld Mrsl.: Poisson

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS

Bezhlukov: Min of Jusyice (3/21)*
Lafayette: Minister of State (12/20)

CURRENT DEBTS

NAME	AMOUNT	DATE DUE	CREDITOR
St Robes	990	Jun/1620	Shylock
Poisson	330	overdue	Shylock
de Fer	220	overdue	Shylock
Danton	220	June/1620	Shylock
de Fer	660	July/1620	Shylock
Poisson	500	(Mar/20)	Lafayette
St. Robes	110	July/1620	Shylock
Gerard	110	Oct/1620	Shylock*
Gerard	330	Nov/1620	Shylock*

POLITICAL PARTIES

King's Party: Poisson (D)
Rich Man's Party: Le Moynes (D), Lafayette
Independent Party: St. Robes (D)

LE GOSSIFE PARISIENNE

CARDINAL ORDERED INTO EXILE AT AVIGNON...ENTIRE COMMAND OF CARDINAL'S GUARD SACKED...BEZUKHOV BECOMES MINISTER OF JUSTICE...MEDIocre RESULTS FOR ARMY IN FIELD...ST ROBES' INDEPENDANT PARTY CONTINUES IN POWER...MARDI GRAS A GREAT SUCCESS

PARIS (GP): The big news this season, overshadowing the Mardi Gras activities, was the sudden exile of the Cardinal to Avignon. It is rumored that a contingent of local bishops persuaded the King of the Cardinal's disloyalty and had the Cardinal secretly exiled in the middle of the night. The upper command of the Cardinal's Guard were immediately sacked and Major de Fer, the only member of the guard to support the bishops was made Colonel of the newly organized Guard. It is rumored that the bishops have sent an emmisary to the Vatican to beseech the Pope to appoint a new Cardinal to become Archbishop of Paris. In a related story, it appears that M. Poisson is under some suspicion in his political party when it was revealed that not only did he use party funds to support the bishops in their revolt against the Cardinal, but indeed, he has been offered the Lt. Colonelcy of the Cardinal's Guard. An investigation is expected. M. Bezukhov has given up his appointment of Minister without Portfolio to accept the post of Minister of Justice. When questioned about the move he responded, "What better position to bring that traitor Bic back to receive his just reward." It was also noted that M. Lafayette has purchased the old La Kaboom arms factory.

THE LOUVRE (GP): Mardi Gras was a gala event this season with a wonderful Masked Ball at the palace a lovely climax to an eventful celebration. Le Chevalier Poisson impressed one and all by not only winning the Marksmanship and Foot Race trophies but by setting a new record in the Horsemanship contest. While the Earl Bezuhov ran nearly step for step with M. Poisson and very nearly upset Le Duc Lafayette in the fencing contest he was left alas without reward. General Lafayette, as expected, did win the fencing trophy this year taking M. Bic's title as the deadliest swordsman in France. Another surprise in the fencing contest was M. Calais who quickly disarmed M. Poisson in the first round of dueling. It is unfortunate that in the second draw he was compelled to meet the formidable M. Lafayette. We would like to see more of this young swordsman. At the Masked Ball there were few costumes of distinction this year but among those that caught the eye of our society reporter were M. Gerard, newly returned from the front and his lady Margueritte who arrived boldly sporting naught but fig leaves and strategically arranged hair. They freely handed out apples and cavorted with a rather large snake. M. Calais arrived dressed as Jabberwock which he claims is a mythical beast which deserves more recognition. With M. Calais was the lovely Josephine arrayed as Bandersnatch. The winner of the best costume award, however, went to M. Le Moyne who arrived in an elaborately bejeweled modern creation. In another social note, it appears that the fickle Olivia has again returned to the otherwise unlucky M. Le Moyne this season, again leaving M. Poisson in the lurch.

THE FRONT (GP): The army continues to lay siege to an Austrian Fortress with only minor success. Apparently a supply wagon was able to reach the fortress when a sortie from the citidal scattered a battalion of the Royal Foot Guard led by M. Bezukhov. M. Le Fer of the

Cardinal's Guard, which were volunteered by their commander to spend the entire season in the field, did manage to salvage some of the advantage lost by M. Bezukhov by leading a sortie against the town's well down which he dumped several gallons of olive oil. "That should set them on the run", the exultant officer was heard to cry. Fighting around the town was heavy and messrs. Bezukhov, Calais and Danton were all wounded in the engagement. M. De Fer received a palm for his Croix de Guerre and a Knighthood for his bravery and M. Danton, fighting with the Royal North Highland Border regiment won a Croix de Guerre but when the King was informed that Danton's status did not warrant a knighthood awarded him instead a pat on the back. M. Gerard, who remained in Paris this season resigned from his old regiment and purchased a majority in the Dragoon Guards. The Minister of State has announced that a full scale attack will be mounted against the Austrians and all Brigades will be sent on campaign this summer.

LE SOAPBOX (GP): The King's Party met this season re-electing M. Poisson to be director. M. Gerard, however, failed to attend and was dropped from the register and was told that he need not reapply for membership. The Independant party under the leadership of the young firebrand M. St Robes, continued in power this season much to the chagrin of M. Le Moyne, director of the rival Rich Man's Party, who just returning from a long and arduous campaign found himself with insufficient status not only to raise his Social Level but indeed to maintain his previous level.

THE CLUBS (GP): An unexpected sight this season was M. St Robes arriving, Quite intoxicated, as part of the King's retinue at the Moulin Rouge for Mardi Gras. He led several toasts in honor of his host and when questioned about it the next day responded violently, "I drank to WHO?!?". M. Bezukhov spent a great deal of time drink heavily by himself. M. Lafayette was seen drinking the finest wines around town as well. M. Calais was surprised to find that M. St Robes was unable to drink with him in April as that gentleman had let his dues lapse at the club. Indeed he was even seen sleeping in an alley along side his horse for the last two months of the season.

Summer 1920 moves are due no later than Sat. June 8, 1985. Don't forget to make applications for military appointments with your summer orders. Applications for military appointment are not an action though applications for government appointment are.

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creates several files and, at the end of its run, saves these files for reference. It also outputs several files. The intermediate internal files output for reference include the coded orders file and the status orders file. These files take the names of XXXXXXCO/S01 and XXXXXXSO/S01, respectively. They contain a coded form of the orders and a series of status codes which indicate whether or not the order was processed successfully or if any error occurred during the order's processing, and, if any error did occur, the nature and reason behind the error. Some errors are normal, such as a move failing because of a stand-off. Other errors could include province name misspellings or syntactical errors. The output files include the results file (for printing) and the province season ending file, which take the names XXXXXXRS/S01 and XXXXXXSE/S01, respectively. The last file, XXXXXXSE/S01 is used as input to DIPUTIL, for interseasonal retreats. The results file is intended for use in the zine itself, containing the printout of the adjudication in a format which is compatible with the SCRIPSIT word processing program which I use. This results file must be converted from its ASCII format to SCRIPSIT format before actual use, but it is a correct reflection of what actually happened and I can use it within the zine with a few adjustments following the conversion. (One of the enhancements I wish to include in a future upgrade of the DIPADJUD program is to be able to use the results file with NO adjustments. The results file does show the original order (e.g. A MOS-WAR) and whether or not the order succeeded or failed.

The DIPUTIL program is used for interseasonal retreats, winter adjustments and special file setups or corrections. For interseasonal retreats, spring or fall, it takes the XXXXXXSE/X## file output by DIPADJUD, reads it, determines which units must retreat, and which areas it may retreat to and asks the operator for input. This program does not take orders from an order file (although I could have set it up this way) because most retreats are simply a choice of one or more place to go. In case of retreat conflicts, the gamemaster must manually adjudicate them and only enter the results. For a spring retreat, the program outputs the next file for the fall season -- XXXXXXPR/CUR. For a fall retreat, the output is a file XXXXXXSE/W## which is used by DIPUTIL in a second running for the winter adjustments. For winter adjustments, the output file is XXXXXXPR/CUR. For corrections, the output file is also XXXXXXPR/CUR on the expectation that the file will be used as input to DIPADJUD. File names may occasionally have to be changed to accommodate other uses. During winter adjustments, the program reads the file, determines which countries have adjustments to make and prompts the operator to input adjustments, either builds or disbands as required, until the adjustments are taken care of. If the player does not submit a sufficient number of disbands necessary to satisfy the requirements, the gamemaster must decide for the player, the program does not automatically decide (another enhancement). If insufficient builds are submitted, the operator may so indicate and only the builds submitted will be used, the player will then have to play short. This happens occasionally when a player does not submit winter builds at all or NBRs, but it could happen if a player misunderstood and submitted less builds than he/she was entitled to.

Of all the programs, DIPINITL, DIPORDERS and DIPADJUD are now working, with some enhancements desired for DIPADJUD (especially some of the more complicated situations). DIPUTIL is undergoing testing and does handle retreats ok, but needs a little more work to complete the handling of winter adjustments and corrections.

In future issues, I will again publish copies of these four programs. Dave MacRae is also working on copies of these programs to convert them to the TRS-80 color computer. If anyone is interested in converting them for use in other machines, I would like to hear about your efforts and would be glad to publish your comments and suggestions as appropriate.

We have not forgotten our primary purpose, which is to be a PBM zine. Multi-player PBM games are the genre of our market. We are continuing to search for additional games to run and for gamesmasters to run them. Range War will be added in the not too distant future. Rail Baron is now being started in our sister publication, THE CGC LOCAL, a PBP (play-by-phone) zine for local players only. I hope to persuade Dennis Peotter, Rail Baron's gamemaster in TCL to run a game here also, but he has not expressed interest, so far. If you are strongly interested in Rail Baron, let me know, and I'll see if I can get you in the local game.