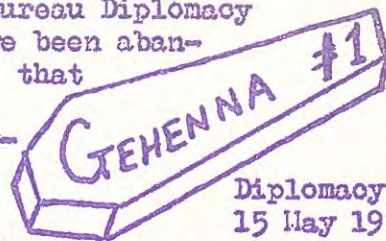


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THE AEOLUS GAMES

It has been a year since the last issue of AEOLUS appeared. Since then, the two unfinished games have progressed two more game-years by individual copy (or at least 1968BV has; I have no certain knowledge of 1968BT). I hear from Ed Halle that Monte is still promising to publish any time now, but it seems reasonable to assume that a game can continue only so long on promises.

Therefore, we will proceed as follows. First, if Monte is willing, we will transfer the games post haste to another 'zine and Gamesmaster. If I do not hear from Monte by Tuesday, 26 May 1970, I will assume he has no objection to the transfer. If Monte does reply, and objects, I am going to ask that he set a reasonable deadline for the resumption of publication (at least to the players). Then, if this deadline is not met, we can proceed further.

Second, I would like to ask the players a favor, preliminary to doing anything else. I have seen no moves at all for 1968BV, nor any beyond Winter 1901 for 1968BT. If any of you has a file of back moves for the game which he would like to loan, please send them to me and I will return them. Either that, or a supply-counter synopsis of the game (including any builds not made), plus a list of the current positions and a copy of the last season's moves (if Winter builds, then also the Fall moves).

Third, I would like each of you to express your preference on a new home (should this be necessary). The following Gamesmasters are on my list as possibly having room for orphan games:

Andrew Phillips (SHAFFT)
Ken Boroeki (ROHAN)

Len Lakofka/Chris Schleicher (LIAISONS DANGEREUSES/ATLANTIS/BRONTOSAURUS)

If you have any preference (positive or negative), please indicate it to me. If any other GM is interested in stray games, he should also contact me.

This is going to the players of record in each game: 1968BT: A, Norm Zinkhan; E, George Grayson; F, Buddy Tretick; G, Banks Nebane; I, Hal Naus; R, Mehran Thompson; T, Jerry White. 1968BV: E, Jim Munroe; F, John McCallum; G, John Beshara; I, Jeff Key; R, Ed Halle; T, Chuck Carey.

1967AZ

JUTLAND JOLLIES #3

This game has been inactive for over a year. Furthermore, since Fall 1903 it has been reported a year later than actuality (FO3 moves were labeled "FO4"). The last reported moves were the Fall/Winter moves/builds for 1905 (not 1906), which appeared in JUTLAND JOLLIES #17.

The last reported positions, players, and supply-center holdings were:

AUSTRIA: Eliminated.

ENGLAND (civ.dis.): F Lon. Owns: Edi, Lon (2).

FRANCE (Welsh): F Mid, A Wal, F Eng, F Cly, A Kie, A Ruh, A Bel, F Bre. Owns: Bre, Mar, Par, Spa, Por, Bel, Lpl, Kie (8).

GERMANY (Brannan): F Hth, F Swe, A Sil, A Ber. Owns: Mun, Ber, Swe, Hol (4).

ITALY (McLeod): A Ven, F Apu, A Tri, A Vie, F Nap, F Rom. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Vie, Tri, Tun (6).

RUSSIA (Wells): F Bla, A War, A Bud, F Nwy, F Den, F Ska, A Gal, F StP(nc). Owns: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Rum, Nwy, Den, Bud (8).

TURKEY (Reinhardt): A Ser, A Gro, F Aeg, F Ion, F Smy, A Con. Owns: Ank, Con, Sny, Bul, Gre, Ser (6).

It is fairly obvious that replacement players will be needed for Italy and Turkey. Both have players who have vanished from sight. I am going to request two people to make moves for Italy and Turkey, but do not know whether or not they will accept. Therefore, anybody who wishes may request to take over Italy and/or Turkey, and the first one I hear from will take over if the person I specifically request does not have the time.

I am not calling for ^{final} moves at this time, because the status of two countries is in flux. I will also find a substitute GM for the game. The next communication you have will be from him, probably. For the record, the players I am asking to make moves are: Italy: John McCallum; Turkey: Hal Naus.

Current addresses (insofar as I know them):

Charles Welsh, Box 3197, Brown Univ., Providence RI 02912.

Charles Wells, 3021 Washington Blvd., Cleveland OH 44118.

John McCallum, P.O. Box 52, Ralston, Alberta, CANADA.

Hal Naus, 1011 Barrett Ave., Chula Vista CA 92011.

Haak Reinhardt, 2502 Randolph Pl., Birmingham AL 35223.

To expedite things, a temporary deadline of Tuesday, 9 June 1970 is set for Spring 1906 moves, to be sent to me in San Diego. I will pass these on to the new GM, who may be Andrew Phillips of SHAAFT. If, in writing, you discover that either Naus or McCallum is unwilling to play, forget sending moves and wait until you hear from the new GM. Hopefully, this will clear up in the next couple of weeks.

Note: JUTLAND JOLLIES rules included:

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| 1. Coastal Crawl was permitted. | 5. The Koning Rule was used. |
| 2. Exchange via convoy was permitted. | 6. The Brannan Rule was used. |
| 3. The Chalker Rule was not used. | 7. Convoy between contiguous provinces was allowed. |
| 4. Players could refuse to retreat, and have the unit annihilated. | 8. The Miller Rule was not used. |

There were other procedural rules and whatnot, including statements of normal positions on the Rules (no Spring Raid, victory criterion a majority of units, &c.). Bob Lake's replacement rule was to call for stand-by moves after the second consecutive miss and replace after the third consecutive miss.

Further notes: In JJ 16, the victory criterion for all games was changed to 18 units. Miller's Rule was adopted for future games (this would not have applied to 1967AZ).

If you have any questions, please send them this way quickly. Also corrections and additions to the foregoing.

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

1967AZ

Thanks to the fact that my head was not screwed on straight last issue, I made an egregious error. I do not need a stand-by for Turkey; Hank Reinhardt is one of the most regular and dependable players alive. I do need a stand-by for Germany (as Dan Brennan has disappeared), and Hal Naus is requested to replace Dan as Germany. My sincere apologies to Hank Reinhardt. Deadline still 9 June, temporarily.

About Canada. I have not heard whether there is a postal strike in Canada or not. Our post office knows nothing about it, and is handling mail to Canada as usual. On the other hand, I have yet to hear from John McCallum on any pending business for the past several days.

THE AEOLUS GAMES

As of the 26th of May, I had not heard from Monte Zelazny. I therefore intend to go forward with transferring these games, subject to any reservations the players may have about this procedure.

1968BF. I have plenty of information on this. I would like to thank Mehran Thomson and Jerry White for sending complete information and Hal Naus for sending a summary of Fall/Winter 1903 and Fall 1905. Positions are as follows:
AUSTRIA (Norm Zinkhan, Box 322, Sub PO #6, Saskatoon, Sask., CANADA): A Boh, A Bud, A Vie, A Ser, F Gre. Owns: Bud, Tri, Vie, Ser, Gre (5). No change.
FRANCE (Buddy Tretick, 3702 Wendy Ln., SilverSpring MD 20906): F Iri, F Eag, F Wal, F Pic, A Bur, A Pat. Owns: Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa (5). Remove 1.
GERMANY (Banks Webane, P.O. Box 938, MelbourneBeach FL 32951): F Bel, A Hol, F Ion, A Mun, A Yor, A Kie, A Ruh. Owns: Ber, Kie, Muh, Den, Hol, Lon, Bel (7). No change.
ITALY (Hal Naus, 1011 Barrett Ave., ChulaVista CA 92011): A Ven, A Rom, F Ion, F Adr. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun (4). No change.

RUSSIA (Mehran Thomson, 3612 E. HuronRiver Dr., AnnArbor MI 48104): F Bul(ec), A Rum, A Gal, F Aeg, F Eas, A Con, F Lpl, A Edi, F Nat, F Erg, F Nth. Owns: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Rum, Swe, Bul, Nwy, Ank, Con, Edi, Smy, Lpl (13). Build 2.
Players are requested to send WINTER 1905 ADJUSTMENTS to Rod Walker by Wednesday, 10 June 1970. Each player is requested to vote: do you wish the game transferred from the probably defunct AEOLUS to another 'zine? Vote yes or no. I assume that Thomson, and Naus are in favor, but would like to make it official, and will need a majority "yes" vote to transfer. You should, next, be hearing from your new Gamesmaster.

Note: If there is a Canadian postal strike, the above deadline will be extended, since it would otherwise be unfair to Norm Zinkhan.

1968BV. Problems. Not a single player responded, save Jim Munroe, who has lost interest and will need to be replaced; and John Beshara, who is also not thrilled with the idea of continuing the game.

Therefore:

1. Will Jeff Key please send me the last positions and supply center holdings for 1968BF?
2. Will each player of record please send me a vote, "yes" or "no" as to whether they want the game continued, and "yes" or "no" as to whether they will play in the game if it is continued. Also, if you have the last positions, you might send the next required moves, although that is not necessary.

If the game is continued, I will pass all requisite information on to your new GM, who will then write to you.

DEADLINE for "yes" and "no" votes is Wednesday, 10 June 1970. If there is a postal strike in Canada, I will take John McCallum's vote when I get it, but the rest of you must respond by 10 June in order for it to count.

Players of record for 1970BF (not counting AUSTRIA, which was eliminated) are:
 ENGLAND: James Munroe, 301 E. Pleasant St., Pasadena CA 91106.
 FRANCE: John McCallum, P.O. Box 52, Ralston, Alberta, Canada.
 GERMANY: John Beshara, 155 W. 68th St., Apt. 1021, New York NY 10023.
 ITALY: Jeff Key, 4611 N. Pennsylvania, Apt. 1-D, Oklahoma City OK 73112.
 RUSSIA: Ed Hille, Box 903, Gainesville FL 32601.
 TURKEY: Chuck Carey, General Delivery, Brookport IL 62910.

1969J

(LA GUERRE LHK)

This game also seems to have disappeared. I wrote Buddy Tretick, a player in the game and the last publisher to be responsible for it, to inquire as to its status; typically, he did not reply. I told him I would assume lack of response indicated approval of transfer, and I do.

Therefore, players in 1969J (LHK) are requested to (a) vote on continuation and (b) send preliminary moves. Please vote "yes" or "no" on continuing the game and "yes" or "no" on whether you will play if it is continued. Also send preliminary moves, although if the game is continued, additional time will be allowed for Diplomacy if it is necessary to replace any of the current players, or if anyone requests it.

DEADLINE for votes and preliminary moves is Wednesday, 10 June 1970.

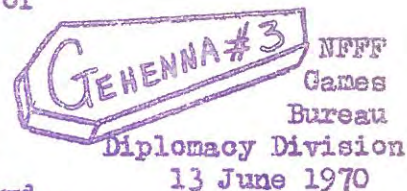
Players of record, last positions (S04), and supply center holdings (F03):

ENGLAND (Edi Birsan, 48-20 39th St., Long Island City NY 11104): F Nth, A Den, F Bel, F Tor. Ows: Lon, Ipl, Edi, Nwy, Swe, Den (6). (2 short)
 AUSTRIA (Conrad vonHetzke, P.O. Box 31, Jamul CA 92035): A Ven, A Tyr, A Vie, A Bud, F Tri, F Gre. Ows: Tri, Bud, Vie, Ser, Gre, Ven (6).
 FRANCE (Buddy Tretick, 3702 Wendy Ln., Silver Spring MD 20906): F Lon, A Wal, F Eng, F Tun, F Nap, A Gas. Ows: Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa, Tun (6).
 GERMANY (Ed Hille, Box 903, Gainesville FL 32601): A Mun, A Bur, A Ruh, A Bel, F Kie. Ows: Ber, Kie, Mun, Hol, Bel (5).
 ITALY (John Koning, 318 S. Belle Vista, Youngstown OH 44509): A Rom, F Ion. Ows: Nap, Rom (2).
 RUSSIA (David May, 7370 Cabrillo Ave., La Jolla CA 92037): A War, A Mos, A Gal. Ows: Mos, StP, War (3).
 TURKEY (Terry Kuch, 7554 SpringLake Dr., Bethesda MD 20034): A Sev, A Rum, A Ukr, A Bul, F Con, F Aeg. Ows: Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Rum, Sev (6).

Stand-by players of record are George Schels, 9 Buffington Pl., Yonkers NY 10708, and Eugene Prosnitz, 200 Clinton St., Brooklyn NY 11201. Copies of this will be sent to them. Do you gentlemen wish to continue to stand by? If you do, you will be used to replace any defaulting players. Players who (a) do not vote and (b) do not submit Fall 1964 by the final deadline (which is not yet established) will be removed and replaced (if sufficient replacement players are available).

PLAYERS IN 1968BF, 1968BF, and 1969J: Save this issue of GENEVA. Future references to game positions, addresses, &c., will be keyed to this issue.

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1967AZ

I have not heard from all the players; however, at this point that is immaterial. Charles Welsh sent along a copy of the Spring 1906 moves (mislabelled as Spring "1907"), which I had not seen. He also calls my attention to a GM error. In the Spring 1905 moves (misreported in JJ #17 as Spring "1906"), the Russian Army in Denmark underwent one of those operations and became a Fleet. This made no practical difference in the 1905 moves, and Charles Welsh called the error to Bob Lake's attention (but the error was not acknowledged). This does make an important difference in the Spring 1906 moves, however, since that "fleet" supported a move into the North Sea, something it could not do as an army.

At this point, 1967AZ is transferred to Andrew Phillips, 128 Oliver St., Daly City CA 94014, editor of SHAAFT. He will continue the game as follows:

John McCallum does not wish to be a replacement player in the game. Hal Naus does, but would prefer to play Italy. The line-up of players is thus: ENG (civ. dis.), FRA Charles Welsh, GER ??, ITA Hal Naus, RUS Charles Wells, TUR Hank Reinhardt. Andy will, I hope, find a replacement for Germany.

The first order of business is a vote. The Russian unit in Denmark is an Army. All players are requested to vote for one of the following: (1) Continue the game from Spring 1906, without correcting the GM error or (2) Continue the game from Winter 1905 and replay the Spring 1906 moves. If the first option is chosen, Andy has a copy of the Spring 1906 moves and will reprint the positions.

The original JJ House-Rules will be used, insofar as they are consistent with the publishing procedures of SHAAFT (in other words, rule interpretations will be kept, but there may be some changes in procedure). Deadline for the votes is Tuesday, 30 June 1970.

1968BV

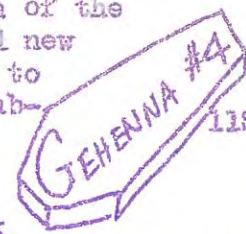
Ed Hille had planned to see to the transfer of both the AEOLUS games; however, it appears that Sid Cochran is not currently in a position to continue the game. Meanwhile, three of the six players, Jim Munroe, John McCallum, and John Beshara are against continuing the game. Ed Hille and (I think) Jeff Key are in favor. Chuck Carey did not reply. Game 1968BV is therefore cancelled. Of course, if Ed Hille goes through with his original proposal to transfer the game, and the players go along with this, or if replacement players are found, fine. However, it seems preferable that the vote of the players be accepted and the game discontinued.

1969J

This game was not abandoned, but cancelled. If Buddy Tretick had had the courtesy to publish this information, or to reply to my original letter, it would not have been necessary to go through the motions of restarting a game which was not orphaned, but dead. It does not appear that the players actually voted to cancel, but if Tretick told them it was cancelled, that's it. After all, if a GM who is still publishing other games wishes to abandon his responsibility toward one of them, that is a matter between himself and the players. It would have been nice if he had told the rest of us what happened, however.

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PACIFIC DIPLODEUR
Game 1969GN

The last published issue of P.D. appeared on 5 April 1970. It carried the Fall 1902 moves for 1969GN, and was Vol. I, No. 5. Since then, Larry Fong, upon whose publishing facilities Dick had depended, ceased to publish. There has been, to our knowledge, no subsequent issue of P.D. put out, nor any further progress in the game.

On 23 August 1970, we wrote to Dick and inquired into the status of 1969GN. To date we have received no reply. We must therefore assume that the game has possibly been abandoned. If so, and as a service to the players, we are endeavoring to get it started again. The reader should understand, however, that if we receive a letter from Dick Holcombe stating that he wishes to continue in control of his own game, we will discontinue the transfer procedures set in motion herein.

The last reported positions and supply-center holdings were:

- AUSTRIA (Houck): F Gre, A Boh, A Bud, A Tri. Owns: Bud, Tri, Ser Gre (4). NC.
- ENGLAND (Malone): F Eng, F Nth, F Ska, A Fin. Owns: Edi, Lpl, Lon (3). Remove 1.
- FRANCE (Heim): F Mid, F Bre, A Gas, A Bur, A Par. Owns: Bre, Mar, Par, Spa, Por (5). No change.
- GERMANY (Holcombe): F Den, F Hel, A Ruh, A Bel, A Mun. Owns: Ber, Kie, Mun, Den, Hol, Bel (6). Build 1.
- ITALY (Wasserman): F Tyr, F Ion, A Tyr, A Tun. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun (4). NC.
- RUSSIA (Howard): F Swe, A Nwy, A Mos, A Gal. Owns: Mos, StP, Yie, War, Nwy, Swe (6). Build 2.
- TURKEY (Harris): F Bla, F Aeg, A Bul, A Sev, A Ukr, A Rum. Owns: Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Rum, Sev (6). No change.

Each player is requested to reply to this issue not later than Thursday, 1 October 1970. Your reply should indicate whether you wish to continue the game or not and, if the game is continued, whether you will play or not. The English player is requested to send a removal; Germany and Russia should send builds.

Any player who does not wish to play if the game continues, or who does not reply, will be considered as having resigned and will be replaced. At least four players must vote to continue the game; otherwise, it will be cancelled. If the game has progressed beyond Fall 1902, we would appreciate copies of the moves sent out thus far. If Dick Holcombe is continuing the game, or writes and states his intention to continue it, transfer procedures will be halted, of course. Tentative plans call for the transfer of this game to Ron Salcedo, who will run it within NATIONAL PERSPIRER, his subaine within NUMENOR. Send all replies, for the moment, to Rod Walker, 5058 Hawley Blvd., San Diego CA 92116.

We know of only two changes of address not published in P.D.:

J. T. Holcombe, USA Engr. Dist., LA, 300 N. Los Angeles St., Los Angeles CA 90053.

Wayne Harris, 10761 Andy St., Oakland CA 94607.

PLEASE REPLY BY THE DEADLINE, 1 OCTOBER 1970. HELP KEEP THIS GAME ALIVE.

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THE TOURNAMENT OF WAITING

The last issues of the "POLASKA" zines which carried the March of Dimes and co-called "Diplomacy Championship" tournaments appeared (so far as I know) approximately a year ago in each case. Rumor has it that at least one of these games progressed by carbon copy to 1909 or thereabouts. But now it, and the other 38, are in the lurch.

Two letters were addressed to Mr. Evans, one to each of his last known addresses, early this month. No reply was received from him by the stated deadline, the 28th, and we must presume that he no longer intends to do anything about the situation.

Several things should be obvious: (1) the prizes offered with the tournaments are no longer available, insofar as Evans had control of them. Perhaps some may still be recovered, but don't count on it. (2) These games were among the worst run in postal history. Fantastic errors remained uncorrected; players were dismissed right and left (many for no better reason than Evans neglected to send them issues and they had the gall to complain about it). (3) Even if such a mess were worth salvaging, finding a home for a set of 19 or 20 games (much less a clump of 39) is simply not possible. The best which can be done is to provide a limited number of substitute games for those who express an interest in continuing even the semblance of a tournament.

Therefore, the 39 Evans ("BC") games are cancelled. They will not be continued, unless Dan Evans himself assumes responsibility for them or makes formal transfer of it to someone else. Insofar as the Division is concerned, these games no longer exist.

However, whatever Evans has (or has not) done is not your fault. Therefore, the Division will undertake to provide a substitute for the tournaments. The final form has yet to be determined; it will to some extent depend on the number of players we still have. Not more than 2 Gamesmasters will be used (one for each set of players remaining in a tournament); even so, the number of games we can organize will be severely limited. Suggestions on how to handle this will be appreciated.

If you are interested in a substitute tournament, please reply not later than Monday, 1 March 1971. It may be you will be requested to contribute a dollar or two toward the postage expenses of your new GM; however, do not send any money until this matter is settled. If I hear from you, you will hear from me during the first or second week of March, as soon as we have organized things and found you a new GM.

If your address is different from that on the envelope, please let me know. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to write.

Sincerely,

Chief, NFFFDID

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AEOLUS -- BROBDINGNAG

It is no news that AEOLUS is dead. We've known that for years. Those of you getting this issue will remember (those of you in 1968BT and 1968BV, anyway) will remember some early issues of GEHENNA in which I tried restarting the games and wound up with a cancellation of 1968BV. Ed Hille then took over 1968BT and that was the last anybody ever heard of it (or so I assume).

BROBDINGNAG 107 appeared on 22 May 1970, and 107 $\frac{1}{2}$ on 1 June. A "cop-out" issue, otherwise unnumbered, appeared on 15 September 1970, promising #108 would be out "within hours" of a 7 October 1970 deadline. Since then, nothing. A letter from Jeff Key, now over a month old, indicated that Ed needed only a paycheck to send out the next issue. But from Gainesville, only silence. On 15 January 1971, I wrote to Ed requesting that he give me some indication of when he expected to publish and, barring any such indication, stating that I would then commence transfer procedures. I set a deadline of 28 January. It is now more than a week after that deadline; no reply has been received. Either Ed does not intend to publish or he thinks I'm kidding. I'm not. Games 1969F, 1969W, 1969AB, 1969CD, and 1969CP, together with 1968BT, will be transferred to new Gamesmasters on the assumption that Ed Hille is no longer an active Gamesmaster unless an issue of BROBDINGNAG appears in the interim.

Available Gamesmasters: The following GMs have indicated their willingness to take 1 or more games, subject to certain conditions (listed). Number of games each is willing to absorb is indicated in parentheses.

1. P. M. Caylord (2). Deadlines monthly or more often.
2. Bob Johnson (1-3). Requests remuneration for expenses.
3. Eric Just (1). Must accept Just's rules, including Right-Hand Rule, and New Rulebook when published. No replacements, unless requested by present player.
4. Len Lakofka (2). No withdrawals or resignations. Requests \$2 financial assistance per player. Must accept Len's House Rules.
5. THE JOURNAL (some) (any GM). Play conditions by ear.
6. Larry St.Cyr (2).
7. Chris Schleicher (2).
8. Bob VanAndel (2). Strict 2-week deadlines. Requests \$1 per player financial assistance.

All players: Please follow the following steps in replying to this issue.

- (a). Vote yes or no on continuing the game.
- (b). Indicate yes or no whether you will continue if the game does; if no, then please specifically state that you resign.
- (c). Indicate (1) Any of the above GMs which are acceptable to you, in order of preference, and (2) any of them you definitely do not want.
- (d). Submit moves requested, using a separate sheet of paper for each game.

caveat: It is probable that you will have to use the local HRs regardless of which GM you move in with. Some financial help may be requested.

1968BT -- Fall 1905.

AUSTRIA (Norm Zinkhan, Box 322, Sub PO #6, Saskatoon, Sask., Canada): A Boh, A Bud, A Vie, A Ser, F Gre. Ows: Bud, Tri, Vie, Ser, Gre (5). No change.

FRANCE (Buddy Trotick, AO(941.3), FAA Aero Center, TE 71-6 (40503), P.O. Box 25082, Oklahoma City OK 73125): F Iri, F Eng, F Wal, F Pic, A Bur, A Par. Ows: Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa (5). Remove 1.

GERMANY (Banks Hobano, P.O. Box 938, Melbourne Beach FL 32951): F Bel, A Hol, F Lon, A Mun, A Yor, A Kie, A Ruh. Ows: Ber, Kie, Mun, Den, Hol, Bel, Lon (7). No change.

ITALY (Dal Naus, 1011 Barrett Ave., Ghula Vista CA 92011): A Ven, A Rom, F Ion, F Adr. Ows: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun (4). No change.

RUSSIA (Mohran Thomson, 3612 E. Huron River Dr., Ann Arbor MI 48104): F Bul(ec), A Rum, A Gal, F Aeg, F Eas, A Con, F Ipl, A Edi, F NAF, F Hrg, F Nth. Ows: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Rum, Swe, Bul, Nwy, Ank, Con, Edi, Smy, Ipl (13). Build 2.

WINTER 1905 MOVES are due on Monday, 1 March 1971 (ADJUSTMENTS, that is). Note: if the vote is not to continue, and if Mr. Thomson has sent builds and voted to continue, he will be declared the winner of this game under the Rulebook provision that if time is called in an unfinished game, the largest power is the winner. In this instance, I feel it would be unfair if Mr. Thomson, larger than any two other players, were to be despoiled of a possible victory by a mere vote.

1969F (ABA) -- Fall 1908.

AUSTRIA (Gary Jones, 1070 Colgate, Memphis TN 38106): A Vie. Ows: Vie (1). NC.

ENGLAND (Dick Reiter, c/o Lt. Col. G. C. Reiter, Hq. 2nd Wea. Hg. (CHR Box 166), APO New York 09332): F Wal, A Yor, F Lon. Ows: Edi, Lon, ~~Yor~~ (2). Remove 1.

FRANCE (Charles Welsh, Box 3197, Brown Univ., Providence RI 02912): F Mid, F Eng, A Bur, A Pic, A Mar. Ows: Bre, Mar, Par, Spa, Por (5). No change.

GERMANY (Norm Zinkhan, see 1968BT, AUS): F Hol, F Nth, A Bel, A Ruh, A Mun, A Gas. Ows: Ber, Kie, Mun, Den, Hol, Bel (6). No change.

ITALY (Bandy Bytwerk, 717 Collindale NW, Grand Rapids MI 49504): A Alb, A Ven, F Tun, F Tyr. Ows: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun (4). No change.

RUSSIA (Doug Boyerlein, 3934 S.W. Southern, Seattle WA 98116): A Tri, A Bud, F Bla, A Ser, F Rum, F Ipl, A Boh, F Hrg, A Nwy, F * (retreating from Tun to NAF, Wes, or ob). Ows: Mos, Sev, StP, War, Swe, Nwy, Rum, Ser, Bud, Tri, Ipl (11). Build 1.

TURKEY (George Schelz, Jr., 9 Buffington Pl., Yonkers NY 10708): F Gre, F Con, A Bul, F Ank. Ows: Ank, Con, Smy, Gre, Bul (5). Build 1.

WINTER 1908 ADJUSTMENTS are due Monday, 1 March 1971.

1969M (ADA) -- Fall 1907.

FRANCE (Peter Ansoff, 1824 Laurel Ridge Rd., Nashville TN 37215): A Gas, A Bur, A Par, F Bre, F NAF, F Spa(sc). Ows: Bre, Par, Lon, Ipl, Edi, Spa (6). No change.

GERMANY (John Seman, 5208 E. 88th St., #207I, Garfield Heights OH 44125): A Mun, F Hol, F Hol. Ows: Bel, Hol, Mun (3). No change.

ITALY (Jeff Power, 22 Hamilton Hall, Princeton Univ., Princeton NJ 08540): A Tri, A Ser, A Bud, A Boh, A* , A Pic, F NAF, F Wes, F Por, F Aeg. Ows: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Mar, Tri, Bud, Ser, Por (9)* Remove 1.*

RUSSIA (Glen Hertz, 622 Pine St., Owosso MI 48867): F Hrg, F Den, F Nwy, F Bal, A Ber, A Vie, A Gal, A Rum, A Gre, A Bul, F Con. Ows: Mos, Sev, StP, War, Swe, Nwy, Rum, Bul, Ank, Con, Smy, Ber, Vie, Gre, Kie* (16)* Build 3*.

*If Italian A Mun (R)-Kie (may also to Sal, Tyr, ob), then Italy owns 10, No change, and Russia owns 15, build 2.

WINTER 1907 ADJUSTMENTS are due Monday, 1 March 1971.

1969AB (BBA) -- Spring 1905

AUSTRIA (Charles Walsh, see 1969F, FRA): A Tri, A Bud, A Alb. Ows 1904: Tri, Bud, Ser (3).

ENGLAND (Jeff Key, 4611 N. Pennsylvania, Apt. 1-D, Oklahoma City OK 73112): A Nwy, A Mos, F Naf, F Wes, F Mid, F Bre, F Nth, F Bar. Ows 1904: Edi, Lon, Lpl, Nwy, Swe, Mos, Bro, StP (8).

FRANCE (Mark Baldwin, 730 Robin Way, Satellite Beach FL 32935): F Lyo, A Spa, F Por. Ows 1904: Mar, Por, Spa (3).

GERMANY (Brenton Verploeg, 566 Fell, #6, San Francisco CA 94102): A Gas, A Bur, A Bel, F Kie, A Sil, A Tyr, A Vie, A Ven, A Gal, A War. Ows 1904: Ber, Kie, Mun, Bel, Hol, Par, Den, War, Vie, Ven (10).

ITALY (K. V. Wittmann, 10 Lexington St., Apt. J-2, Newark NJ 07105): A Pie, F Tyr, F Tun. Ows 1904: Nap, Rom, Tun (3).

TURKEY (Randy Bytwerk, see 1969F, Italy): F Aeg, F Nap, A Ser, A Bul, A Rum, F Bla, F Gre. Ows 1904: Ank, Con, Smy, Gre, Bul, Sev, Rum (7).

FALL 1905 MOVES are due Monday, 1 March 1971.

1969CD (CCA) -- Fall 1903

AUSTRIA (Randy Bytwerk, see 1969F, Italy): A War, A Gal, A Ukr, A Sev, A Vie, A Ser, F Bul (so). Ows: Bud, Tri, Vie, Bul, Rum, Ser, Sev, War (8). Build 1.

ENGLAND (K.V. Wittmann, see 1969AB, Italy): F* (rt. to Ska, Nrg, ob), F Ser, F Lon, A Edi. Ows: Edi, Lpl, Lon (3). Remove 1. (from Nth)

FRANCE (Ron Salcedo, 78 Charles St., New Rochelle NY 10801): A Par, A Gas, A Spa, F Eng, F* (rt. from Wes to Naf, Mid, ob). Ows: Bre, Par, Por, Spa (4). Remove 1.

GERMANY (John McCallum, P.O. Box 52, Balston, Alberta, Canada): A Bel, A Ruh, Den, F Nth, F Hel, F Hol. Ows: Ber, Kie, Mun, Bel, Hol, Den (6). No change.

ITALY (Brenton Verploeg, see 1969AB, Germany): F Gre, A Mar, A Tun, F Wes, F Lyo. Ows: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Gre, Mar (6). Build 1.

RUSSIA (Ritchie Dean, R.R. #7, Box 283, Hillsboro OH 45133): A StP, A* (rt. from War to Pru, Lva, ob), F Nwy. Ows: Mos, StP, Nwy, Swe (4). Build 1.

TURKEY (Glen Hertz, see 1969M, Russia): A Arm, F Con, F Aeg. Ows: Ank, Con, Smy (3). No change.

WINTER 1903 ADJUSTMENTS are due Monday, 1 March 1971.

1969CP (DDA) -- Fall 1902

AUSTRIA (Stuart Stimson, Acme MI 49610): A Tri, A Tyr, F Ion. Ows: Tri, Bud (2). Remove 1.

ENGLAND (Eugene Prosnitz, 200 Clinton St., Brooklyn NY 11201): F Mid, F Eng, A Swe, F Nth. Ows: Edi, Lon, Lpl, Nwy, Swe (5). Build 1.

FRANCE (John Seman, see 1969M, Germany): A Spa, A Pic, A Mar, F Bre. Ows: Bre, Mar, Par, Spa (4). No change.

GERMANY (George Schelz, see 1969F, Turkey): A Bur, A Bel, A Mun, A Den, F Bal, F Kie. Ows: Ber, Kie, Mun, Bel, Den, Hol (6). No change.

ITALY (Mark Baldwin, see 1969AB, France): A Pie, A Ven, F Apu, F Lyo. Ows: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun (4). No change.

RUSSIA (Jeff Power, see 1969M, Italy): F* (ret. from Swe to Bot, Fin, ob), F Sev, A Vie, A Boh, A Rum, A StP. Ows: Mos, Sev, StP, War, Rum, Vie (6). No change.

TURKEY (David Busch, 162 W. Lane Ave., Apt. A-4, Columbus OH 43210): A Alb, A Ser, F Aeg, F Gre, A Bul. Ows: Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Gre, Ser (6). Build 1.

WINTER 1902 ADJUSTMENTS are due Monday, 1 March 1971

All players: Stand-by moves will be needed. Submit s/b moves for any position you wish; earliest postmark will be used. Probable defaults: Zinkhan, Wittmann. Since I don't know Baldwin, Stimson, or Busch, it may be that they may or may not continue. Reiter, Bytwerk, and Dean have been known to miss.

REMEMBER: send votes (and moves if needed) to me at 5058 Hawley Blvd., San Diego CA 92116. You should hear next from your new GM.

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THE DAN EVANS TOURNAMENT GAMES are now cancelled. I want to thank those of you who replied to GEHENNA #5. My letters to Dan Evans at his Bankersfield address have been in vain (I know he's there; he just refuses to answer), so that there is little possibility that the prizes and trophies originally offered can ever be recovered.

A substitute mini-tournament will be organized to compensate you at least in terms of games. A small number of games (no frills, just games) will be run within THE JOURNAL, a Diplomacy 'zine sponsored by a wargames group, the Prussian Guards. The Gamesmaster will be John Mensinger. The only requirement will be that you subscribe to THE JOURNAL (\$1.50 per year [approximately 12 issues]). Considering the very inexpensive price of the original tournament, I hope this is not an undue imposition. It is, however, definitely required.

Those who wish to participate in this mini-tournament must notify me at the address above not later than Saturday, 27 March 1971. That's 9 days from now, so reply immediately. Even if you have definitely stated your interest previously, you must reconfirm. Only those who reply by the 27th will be in the substitute games.

This issue of GEHENNA is being sent only to those who replied to GEHENNA 5 or who have at one time or another indicated an interest in doing something about the Evans games. You are: Mark Bird, Doug Burke, Ken Dorecki, Tom Eller, Larry Fong, Margaret Gemignani, Ed Hälle, Bob Kinney, Hal Naus, Brad Payne, Charles Reinsel, Larry St.Cyr, Buddy Tretick, Greg Warden, and Tom Wilson. (In addition, several said they did not wish to participate, definitely: Edi Birsan, Brian Libby, Terry Kuch, Conrad von Netske).

Sincerely,

Rod Walker
Chief, NEFFGBDD

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VERBAL CHAOS, LTD.

Bill McDuffie's 'zine was always one of the more enjoyable to receive. Its games were reasonably well run and were easy to follow. Despite its virtues, the 'zine has one great fault. It has not appeared since last August (issue II.4). Telephone calls to Bill in late 1970 and early 1971 produced fulsome assurances that another issue was on the brink, but so far, nothing. I finally wrote Bill formally on 7 March 1971. I offered to help restart the games and, if he wanted to transfer them to a GM who could put them out, to help him with the transfer. I requested a reply by the 17th, noting that if I heard nothing by then I would assume he had no further interest in the games and would take action to find new homes for them. Certainly, if Bill were interested in the games, he could at least have sent a post card. However, it is now 24 hours later and still no reply. I must assume that Bill has abandoned his games. Accordingly the NFFFGBDD now takes action to restart the VC games.

This issue of GEHENNA is devoted to establishing the status of each game and to give each player a chance to express himself on the question of transfer. If Bill does publish another issue of VC in the interim, you may assume that transfer operations have halted.

When the games are transferred, one or more of the following GMs will be used. Conditions stated by the GM are listed. In addition, you can usually expect to use the GM's House Rules and may be requested to help defray his expenses, probably to the extent of \$1 per person. This is not stated in all cases, but may be assumed in most cases.

1. P. M. Gaylord (RAMSEY DIPLOMAT)(2) Deadlines monthly or more often.
2. Bob Johnson (1-3). Requests remuneration of expenses.(DIPLODEUR)
3. Eric Just (THE DIPLOMAT)(1). Must accept Just's Right-Hand Rule (for retreats) and the new Rulebook when published. No replacement players unless replacement is specifically requested by the player of record.
4. Len Lakofka (LIAISONS DANGEREUSES)(2). No withdrawals or resignations. Requests \$2 assistance from each player. Must accept local HRs.
5. Larry St.Cyr (GLORY ROAD)(2).
6. Chris Schleicher (ATLANTIS)(2).
7. Bob VanAndel (SAETA)(2). Strict 2-week deadlines. Requests \$1 financial assistance.

Numbers in parentheses indicate number of games the GM will take.

ALL VERBAL CHAOS PLAYERS: Please reply to this issue as follows:

- (a). Vote yes or no on continuing each game you are in.
- (b). Indicate yes or no, whether you will play if the game does continue; if no, please indicate specifically that you resign and wish to be replaced.
- (c). List in order of preference any of the above GMs you would accept for your game(s). List any GM you definitely do not want.
- (d). Submit the next season's orders for your game(s), using a separate sheet of paper for each game.

- (e). Note other games. Where the possible need for replacements is indicated, please note if you are willing to stand by. Submit orders for any position(s) you wish. Priority will be determined by postmark date.
- (f). Please reply by Thursday, 8 April 1971.

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST of all the VC games, current players, positions, and holdings. Any corrections that need to be made should be noted in your reply. Submit orders based both on the position as listed and upon your correction.

1968BK (VCL #1) -- Fall 1909/ Winter 1909

ENGLAND (Sid Jolly, 6061 Nancy Dr., LaMesa CA 92041): A Kie, F Nth, F Hel, F Den, F Lvn, F Bal, A StP, A Nwy. Owns: Edi, Lpl, Lon, Bel, Den, Nwy, Swe, StP, Kie (9). Build A Edi.

FRANCE (Bill Hoyer, 5431 W. Beloit Ave., WestMilwaukee WI 53214): A Hol, A Ruh, A Bur, A Pie, A Tus, F Rom, F Tyr, F Wes, F Tun. Owns: Bre, Mar, Par, Hol, Spa, For, Nap, Tun (8). No change.

RUSSIA (Scott Duncan, 721 Woodbourne Ave., Baltimore MD 21212): A Ber, A Mun, A Boh, A Gal, A War, A Mos, A Pru, F Eas. Owns: Mos, Sev, War, Rum, Bud, Vie, Ber, Mun (8). No change. Failed to submit moves in F09, may need to be replaced.

TURKEY (Gary Gygax, 330 Center St., LakeGeneva WI 53147): A Ser, A Tyr, F Nap, A Ven, F Alb, F Adr, F Ion, F Apu. Owns: Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Gre, Ser, Tri, Ven, Nap (9). No change.

SPRING 1910 ORDERS are due.

1969BE (VCL #2) -- Spring 1905 (holdings a/o Fall 1904)

AUSTRIA (Len Lakofka, 1806 N. Richmond, Chicago IL 60647): A War, A Gal, A Lvn, A Tyr, A Vie, A Rum, A Bul, A Ser, F Bla. Owns: Bud, Tri, Vie, Ser, Gre, Bul, Con, Rum, War (9).

ENGLAND (George Patton, 1841 Suffolk Rd., Columbus OH 43221): F Eng, F Nth, F StP(nc), F Nrg, A Nwy. Owns: Edi, Lpl, Lon, Nwy, StP (5).

FRANCE (Sid Jolly, see 1968BK, England): F Wes, F Mid, A Bre. Owns: Bre, For, Spa (3).

GERMANY (Scott Duncan, see 1968BK, Russia): A Pic, A Par, A Bur, A Ber, A Boh, A Mun, F Den. Owns: Ber, Kie, Mun, Den, Hol, Bel, Par (7)

ITALY (Gary Gygax, see 1968BK, Turkey): F Aeg, F Tyr, F Tun, A Ven, A Mar, A Pie. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Mar, Smy (6).

RUSSIA (Andrew Phillips, 128 Oliver St., DalyCity CA 94014): F Ank, A Ukr, A Mos, A Sev. Owns: Mos, Sev, Ank, Swe (4).

FALL 1905 ORDERS are due. See note for Russia, 1968BK.

1969BL (VCL #3) -- Fall/Winter 1903

AUSTRIA (George Patton, see 1969BE, England): F Gre, A Ser, A Vie, A Bud, A Tri. Owns: Bud, Tri, Vie, Gre, Ser (5).

ENGLAND (Chris Schleicher, 5122 W. Carmen Ave., Chicago IL 60630): F Nrg, F Nth, F Bre, F Mid, A Bel. Owns: Edi, Lpl, Lon, Bre, Bel (5).

FRANCE (Don Cowan, 1605 8th Ave., Cecatur AL 35601): A Par. Owns: Par (1). No moves since F02.

GERMANY (Patrick Egan, 1751 Loma Ave., LongBeach CA 90804): A Den, A Pic, A Bur, F Hol, F Ber. Owns: Ber, Kie, Mun, Hol, Den (5). No moves, F03, possibly needs replacement.

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ITALY (Scott Duncan, see 1968BK, Russia): F Por, F Spa(sc), F Ion, A Ven, A Mar, A Pie. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Spa, Mar, Por (7). One unit short due to GM error. See note under Russia, 1968BK.

RUSSIA (Andrew Phillips, see 1969BE, Russia): A Fin, F Nwy, F Bal, A Sil, A Gal, F Bla, A Bul, A Sev. Owns: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Nwy, Swe, Rum, Bul (8).

TURKEY (Duane Leinhos, Box 1376, Wilson House, Clarkson College of Technology, Potsdam NY 13676): F Aeg, F Con, A Ank. Owns: Ank, Con, Smy(3).
SPRING 1904 ORDERS are due.

1969BM (VCL #4) -- Spring 1904

AUSTRIA (Patrick Egan, see 1969BL, Germany): A Tri, A Bud, A Vie. Owns: Bud, Tri, Vie (3). See note for Germany, 1969BL.

ENGLAND (Buddy Tretick, Apt 104, 1292 S.W. 74th St., OklahomaCity OK 73159): A Fin, F Bot, A StP, F Ska, F Nth. Owns: Edi, Lpl, Lon, Nwy, Swe (5).

FRANCE (Jerry White, 4004 S.E. Pine, Portland OR 37214): A Bel, A Mar, A Tus, F Lyo, F Tyr, F Tun, A Par. Owns: Bre, Mar, Par, Bel, Spa, Por, Tun (7). *There is no F NAF, misreported in VCL II.4.

GERMANY (George Patton, see 1969BE, England): A Den, A Ven, F Hol, A Sil, A Boh, A Tyr. Owns: Ber, Kie, Mun, Hol, Den, Ven (6).

ITALY (Fred Bunn, RD #1, Montreal Rd., Aberdeen MD 21001. A Rom. Owns: Rom, Nap (2). There is no F Nap, misreported in VCL II.4. No orders S04.

RUSSIA (T. M. Hazlett, 6 Echo Point, Wheeling WV 26003): F Rum, A Gal, A Pru, F Bal, F StP(nc). Owns: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Rum (5).

TURKEY (Rod Walker, address on page 1): A Ser, F Aeg, F Ion, F Bul(sc), A Gre, A Con. Owns: Ank, Con, Smy, Gre, Bul, Ser (6). A copy of my orders will be mailed to Len Lakofka within 3 days. These positions reflect a correction of the S04 moves which were misadjudicated.

FALL 1904 ORDERS are due.

1970AN (VCL #5) -- Fall/Winter 1901

AUSTRIA (John Seman, 5208 E. 88th St., #2071, Garfield Heights OH 44125): F Gre, A Ser, A Bud. Owns: Bud, Gre, Ser (3).

ENGLAND (Steven Ball, 3745 Keystone Ave., #3, LosAngeles CA 90034): F Nwy, A Edi, F Nth, F Lon. Owns: Edi, Lpl, Lon, Nwy (4).

FRANCE (T. M. Hazlett, see 1969BM, Russia): F Por, A Spa, A Bur, F Bre, A Par. Owns: Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa (5).

GERMANY (Len Lakofka, see 1969BE, Austria): F Den, A Hol, A Mun, A Ber, A Kie. Owns: Ber, Kie, Mun, Den, Hol (5).

ITALY (Mark Nyderek, 6443 S. Taiman, Chicago IL 60629): A Tri, A Tyr, F Ion, F Nap. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tri (4).

RUSSIA (Sid Jolly, see 1968 BK, England): F Swe, A Gal, A Vie, F Rum, A Sev, A Mos, A War. Owns: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Rum, Swe, Vie (7).

TURKEY (Tom Acree, P.O. Box 2023, Tri-Cities WA 99302): A Bul, A Con, F Ank, F Smy. Owns: Ank, Con, Smy, Bul (4).

SPRING 1902 ORDERS are due.

SEND ALL REPLIES TO ROD WALKER, 5058 HAWLEY BLVD., SAN DIEGO CA 92116.

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BROBDINGNAG (AGAIN???)

Yes, again. Even before GEHENNA 6 was printed, BROBDINGNAG 108 had been put out and simply not sent to me, and my letters to Ed Hälle had gone unanswered. All that is past history. So why another GEHENNA?

The fact is that one is needed. The deadline set in BROBDINGNAG was 22 January, and issue 109 has still not appeared (I think). At this rate, we can expect some of the games to finish during the 1980s. This procedure is undeniably unfair to the players. I realize that Ed has good intentions toward the 'zine and is always hoping to get it out "soon"--but intentions and hopes are not enough.

Worse than this, it now appears that many, perhaps half, of the BROB players did not get BROB 108. I have known this for some time. I also wrote Ed about it and encouraged players to whom I knew this had happened to write him also. Reaction: nothing.

Now, it may be that the players are content with this way of doing things. If so, well and good. You may think I am being precipitous in proposing anything at all. Many other 'zines sometimes are two months overdue without provoking undue comment. But the total of the delays in BROB now amounts to many months, and there is no end in sight.

I therefore propose that the players themselves determine what is to be done. These are your games; you paid for them. They are the GM's games, too, since he organized them, and so long as he is doing a reasonable job, he should be left in control. But there comes a time when some action must be taken. I submit that this has happened with BROBDINGNAG.

I realize that a precedent may be set here. It has never happened that players have taken, or been asked to take, the actions I am now going to suggest. Extreme circumstances, however, may often justify unusual actions. GEHENNA does not suggest that you take these actions, only that you consider them and, if you decide to go ahead, to assist you.

What do we suggest you consider? The BROBDINGNAG players may wish to elect a new Gamesmaster and to transfer BROBDINGNAG to a new editor. We have in mind a man fully qualified to take on the task of editing one of the oldest and (once) most respected publications in postal Diplomacy. He is Mehran Thomson, who is very experienced in the game and is an accomplished publisher (in the Cult, currently). Mehran has offered to take some games, and I think he is admirably suited to take up the thread of BROBDINGNAG.

Please, therefore, consider this proposal. Then fill out, detach, and return the bottom portion of this issue.

TO: Rod Walker, 5058 Hawley Blvd., San Diego CA 92116; Please check one:

YES, I wish to transfer BROBDINGNAG to Mehran Thomson as GM/Editor.

NO, I wish to remain with GM/Editor Ed Hälle.

Please check one, if you voted "NO"

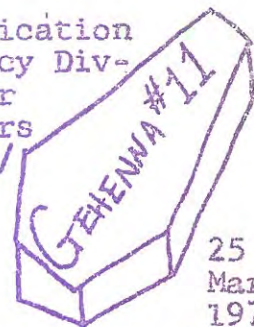
I will accept transfer if the majority voted "YES"

I will not accept transfer and will resign if the majority voted "YES".

PLEASE RETURN THIS BALLOT by
Thursday, 8 April 1971.

(Signature)

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RAGNAROK

THE LAST ISSUE of RAGNAROK, which appeared in July 1970, is now nine months back in history. It may be, and it saddens me to say it, that this publication has ceased to exist. If, of course, the games should start up again under John Koning while the transfer procedures outlined below are in process, they will cease (if I am told that this has happened). However, if not, then the time has come to find new homes for these apparently abandoned games.

Below is a list of the six RAGNAROK games, with the name and addresses of the players. Players marked by an asterix (*) may, for one reason or another, have dropped and may need to be replaced. For each game, I have listed the last season known to me.

The Games:

RAG-A (1968CA), Fall 1908.	RAG-B (1968CB), Fall 1908.
RAG-C (1968CC), Spring 1908.	RAG-D (1969D), Fall 1905.
RAG-E (1969E), Spring 1905.	RAG-F (1969BF), Winter 1903.

The Players:

Jim Boskey (DE), 19 Shire Hall Close, London N.W. 4, ENGLAND.
Randy Bytwerk (BCE), 717 NW Collindale, Grand Rapids MI 49504.
*Margaret Gemignani (F), 3200 N.E. 36th St., Ft. Lauderdale FL 33308.
Mike Goldstein, 2941 Hewitt Ave., Apt. 367, Silver Spring MD 20906 (ACEF)
*David Johnston (DF), 5451 Rockwood Rd., Columbus OH 43228.
*Frank Lunney (ADE), 212 Juniper St., Quakertown PA 18951.
John McCallum (C), P.O. Box 52, Ralston, Alberta, CANADA.
Mike Huissen, 162 N.E. Pershing, Grand Rapids MI 49503. (C)
George Patton (F), 1841 Suffolk Rd., Columbus OH 43221.
Charles Reinsel (BC), P.O. Box 36, Marienville PA 16239.
John Seman (F), 5208 E. 88th St., #2071, Garfield Heights OH 44125.
Larry St. Cyr (ACDE), 1516 George Washington, UMASS, Amherst MA 01002.
David Summer (ADE), 505 1st Ave., Atmore AL 36502.
Brenton VerPloeg, 566 Fell, #6, San Francisco CA 94102. (C)(for Bytwerk)
W. Gerald White (DEF), 4004 Pine St., Portland OR 97214.

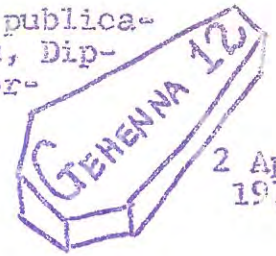
PLEASE REPLY by Thursday, 8 April 1971. Please answer the following:

1. YES or NO. Are you willing to continue the game under a different Gamesmaster?
2. YES or NO. Will you continue to play if the game is transferred?

Please reply. Failure to answer will be interpreted as "no" to both questions. Please bear in mind that you may be required to pay \$1 or \$2 financial support to the new GM or subscribe to the 'zine to which your game is transferred. If you reply, you will (if the games are to be transferred) receive another issue of GEHENNA which will request you to choose a new GM from a list of volunteers. It will also list game positions.

IF THE GAMES HAVE PROGRESSED BEYOND THE SEASON INDICATED, PLEASE LET ME KNOW. IF YOU SEND ME COPIES OF THE LATER MOVES, AND WISH THEM RETURNED, I WILL DO SO. IF YOUR NAME IS CHECKED, YOU ARE SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED TO SEND SUCH COPIES (THIS WILL CUT DOWN DUPLICATION). Thank you.

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THIS ISSUE ANNOUNCES THE FOLLOW-ON TO THE EVANS FIASCO. As you know, John Mensinger, one of the GMs of THE JOURNAL, has generously offered to provide a substitute mini-tournament for those who have been victimized by Evans, but wish to continue in some fashion. The original idea was to incorporate the follow-on games into THE JOURNAL, but with (as in the Evans games) no press releases. Due to overcrowding in THE JOURNAL, and to Mr. Mensinger's continued generosity in wishing to provide for press releases in case you wish to have some published, the follow-on games will be increased in number (from an estimated 3 per player to a full 7), with press releases allowed, and will appear in a separate 'zine.

We have 7 players, as follows:

Mark Bird, 311 Chittenden Hall, University of Vermont, Burlington VT 05401.
 Doug Burke, 804 Soranton Hall, IUFP., Indiana PA 15701.
 Tom Eller, 31 Queensberry St., Apt. 4, Boston MA 02215.
 Larry Fong, 704 Alice St., Oakland CA 94607.
 Charles Reinsel, P.O. Box 36, Marienville PA 16239.
 Paul Rubin, 112 1940 Hall, Princeton Univ., Princeton NJ 08540.
 Thomas Luke Wilson, 7556 Apperson St., Tujunga CA 91042.

Each player will play each country on the board once, in 7 games. A score will be kept on the games, through a system John and I will work out, so that a tournament victor can be determined. The games and players are as follows:

	1971AE	1971AF	1971AG	1971AH	1971AI	1971AJ	1971AK
Bird	AUS	GER	RUS	FRA	ITA	ENG	TUR
Burke	ENG	AUS	GER	TUR	FRA	ITA	RUS
Eller	FRA	ITA	AUS	GER	RUS	TUR	ENG
Fong	GER	ENG	ITA	AUS	TUR	RUS	FRA
Reinsel	ITA	TUR	ENG	RUS	AUS	FRA	GER
Rubin	RUS	FRA	TUR	ENG	GER	AUS	ITA
Wilson	TUR	RUS	FRA	ITA	ENG	GER	AUS

Deadline for Spring 1901 is Thursday, 29 April 1901. Send your moves to: John Mensinger, 1320 Magnolia Ave., Modesto CA 95350. With your S01 moves send \$1.50 for 12 issues of the gamezine (I don't know what it will be called, yet).

Many thanks for your cooperation. I hope you enjoy these new games. Every effort is still being made to recover the trophies and whatnot that were supposed to be given as prizes. I have grave doubts that Evans ever intends to do the right thing about this, but we will try.

Best,

Rod

Rod Walker

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VERBAL CHAOS, LTD.

The response to GEHENNA 8 was a little sparse. Every player who did respond voted to continue the game in question under a new GM, so that is what we will do. Each game is detailed below, together with the new GM. I will send other details to each new GM. The question of stand-by players will be handled by him. Naturally, if the game dies anyway for lack of participation, the new GM may cancel it.

1968BK. "Yes", with moves: Jolly, Hoyer, Gygax. No response: Duncan. Stand-by moves: Jerry White, for Russia. Time should be allowed for negotiation with stand-by. Correction: England does not own Belgium, has only 8 centers, does not build (so there is no A Edi). France owns Belgium, has 9 centers, is even. Turkey Has 9 centers, but 8 units, and should build 1. This should be sent to new GM. Sid Jolly: S. J. Jolly, USN, OE Div., USS R. K. Turner (DLG-20), FPO NewYork 09501. Use Air Mail only. New GM: Chris Schleicher (ATLANTIS), 5122 W. Carmen Ave., Chicago IL 60630. New deadline will be set by Chris.

1969BE. "Yes", with moves: Gygax, Jolly. "Yes", but no moves: Lakofka, Patton, Phillips. No response: Duncan. Stand-by moves: Jerry White, for Germany. A final deadline for F05 should be set by new GM. See new address for Sid Jolly, 1968BK above. Correction--also moves from Phillips. New GM: Bob Johnson (DIPLODEUR), P.O. Box 134, Whippany NJ 07981.

1969BL. "Yes", with moves: Phillips. "Yes", but no moves; Patton, Schleicher. No response: Cowan, Egan, Duncan, Turkey. Stand-by moves: Jerry White, for Italy, Germany, England, Turkey, France. A final S04 deadline should be set by new GM, if there are enough players in the game to continue it. New GM: Bob VanAndel (SAETA), 119 Boer Hall, Calvin College, GrandRapids MI 49506.

1969BM. "Yes", with moves: Walker, White. "Yes", but no moves: Patton. No response: Egan, Tretick, Bunn, Hazlett. Tretick probably an oversight. Buddy now back at 3702 Wendy Ln., SilverSpring MD 20906. A final F04 deadline should be set by new GM, if there are enough players left. New GM: Larry St.Cyr (GLORY ROAD), 1516 GeorgeWashington, UMASS, Amherst MA 01002. OH--The Russian "F StP(nc)" is F Bar.

1970AN. "Yes", with moves: Ball, Jolly. "Yes", but no moves: Seman, Lakofka. No response: Hazlett, Nyderek, Acree. Note new address for Jolly given under 1968 BK. A final S02 deadline should be set by the new GM. New GM: P. M. Gaylord (RAMSEY DIPLOMAT), 2035 Todd Dr., St.Paul MN 55112.

You should be hearing from your new GMs shortly. Thank you all and good luck.

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RAGNAROK

Most of the players listed in GEHENNA 11 replied, for which my thanks. Of those who did reply, all voted to continue the games under new GMs, except Miss Gemignani, who is resigning from all the games. Those who did not reply: Lunney, Huissen, Summer. In addition, Larry St.Cyr and Jerry White sent me copies of later moves in all their games. RAG A, C, D, E, and F can now continue (B having ended).

James Boskey will be leaving England thus June, and will be back at this address on 10 August: 19 E. Colony Dr., West Orange NJ 07052. Games D and E will have to be delayed during that period. Meanwhile, all mail to Jim must be by air (20¢ per ½ ounce).

1969CA (RAG A) -- Spring 1909 (holdings as of Fall 1908)

FRANCE (Lunney??): A Par, F Cly. Owns: Edi, Spa, Par (3).

GERMANY (St.Cyr): F Nth, A Ruh, A Hol. Owns: Kie, Hol, Den (3).

ITALY (Goldstein): A Lon, A Gas, A Tri, A Ven, A Alb, A Pic, A Gre, F Eng, F Eas, F Aeg, F Adr. Owns: Rom, Ven, Nap, Tun, Por, Gre, Bre, Bel, Lpl, Lon, Mar, Tri (12). Also has A Rom.

RUSSIA (Summer??): F Nat, A Nwy, F Ska, A Bur, A Mun, A Ber, A Mar, F Con, F Bul(sc), F Smy, F Bla, A Bud, A Ser, A Rum, A Vie, A Tyr. Owns: Mos, War, Sev, Rum, Bud, Ser, Bul, StP, Vie, Ber, Smy, Con, Mun, Swe, Nwy, Ank (16).

The new GM will set a deadline for Fall 1909 moves. A replacement player is definitely needed for Russia if Summer does not respond.

New GM: Bob Johnson, P.O. Box 134, Whippany NJ 07981 (PACIFIC DIPLO-DEUR). It will be necessary to help defray expenses, and you will probably need to subscribe to P.D. (but you also subscribed to RAGNAROK, so this should be no great change).

1968CC (RAG C) -- Winter 1908

FRANCE (Reinsel): A Pic, A Bur, A Mar, F Iri, F Lon, F Eng. Owns: Bre, Mar, Par, Spa, Por, Lon (6).

GERMANY (Bytwerk): F Nrg, F Hol, F Yor, A Ruh, A Mun, A Bel. Owns: Bor, Kie, Mun, Hol, Bel, Den (6).

ITALY (St.Cyr): A Vie, F Apu, A Tri, A Rom, A Nap, F Adr, F Tun. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Bud, Vie, Tri (7).

RUSSIA (Huissen??): A Edi, F Lpl, A Mos, A Sev, A Rum, A Ukr, A Gal, F StP(nc), A War. Owns: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Swe, Nwy, Edi, Lpl, Rum (9).

TURKEY (McCallum): F Ion, A Gre, A Ser, F Bul(ec), A Arm, A Sil. Owns: Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Gre, Ser (6).

The new GM will set a deadline for Spring 1909 moves. A replacement player will probably be needed for Russia.

New GM: as with 1968CA.

SPECIAL NOTE: COPIES OF THIS 'ZINE ARE ALSO GOING TO PROSPECTIVE REPLACEMENT PLAYERS, WHO ARE URGED TO CONTACT THE RESPECTIVE NEW GAMESMASTERS.

1969D (RAG D) -- Fall 1966

ENGLAND (White): F Bre, F Por, F Ska, A Nwy, F Bar. Owns: Edi, Lpl, Lon, Bre, Spa, Nwy, Por (7). Build 2.
 FRANCE (Johnston): A Gas, A Mar, A Bel. Owns: Mar, Par, Bel (3). N.c.
 GERMANY (St.Cyr): A Hol, A Den, A Ruh, F Swe, A Kie. Owns: Kie, Den, Hol, Swe (4). Remove 1.
 ITALY (Summer??): F Tyr, F Nap. Owns: Nap, Tun (2). No change.
 RUSSIA (Beskey): F StP(nc), F Bot, F Rus, A Mos, A Sil, A Ber, A Mun, A Boh, A Pru. Owns: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Rum, Bud, Vie, Mun, Ber (9). No change. (Several GM errors are corrected here.)
 TURKEY (Lunney??): A Tus, A Ven, A Rom, A Apu, F Adr, F Gre, F Aeg, F Ion. Owns: Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Gre, Ser, Tri, Ven, Rom (9). Build 1.
 The new GM will set a deadline for Winter 1966 adjustments. Replacement players are needed for Turkey and (less urgently) Italy if Summer and Lunney do not respond.
 New GM: Mehran Thomson, Jr., 3612 E. Huron River Dr., Ann Arbor MI 48104. Mehran will keep the name "RAGNAROK" for 1969D and 1969E.

1969E (RAG E) -- Spring 1966 (holdings as of Fall 1965)

James Beskey was removed and replaced by David Liebman, 185 N. 4th St., Batavia OH 45103, who has not before been contacted. If he fails to respond, I think it is fair to allow Jim to assume his former position. We'll see.
 AUSTRIA (Goldstein): A StP. Owns: Mos (1).
 ENGLAND (Liebman??): F Mid, A Gas, A Bre, F Iri, F Eng, F Nrg. Owns: Edi, Lon, Nwy, StP, Swe, Bre (6).
 FRANCE (St.Cyr): F Cly, A Par. Owns: Par, Por, Lpl (3).
 GERMANY (Summer??): F Den, A Ber, A Mun, A Bel. Owns: Ber, Kie, Hol, Den, Bel (5).
 ITALY (Lunney??): F Por. Owns: Spa(1).
 RUSSIA (White): A Mos, A War, A Lva, A Sil, F Sev. Owns: Sev, War, Vie, Bud, Mun, Rum (6).
 TURKEY (Bytwerk): F Bul(ec), F Con, F Ion, F Tun, F Tyr, F Wes, F Lyo, A Spa, A Mar, A Tyr, A Ven, A Gre. Owns: Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Ser, Gre, Tri, Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Mar (12).
 New GM: as for 1969D.

1969BF (RAG F) -- Fall 1964

AUSTRIA (Seman): A Ser, A Gre, A Tus, F Ion, F Adr, F Ven, A Bud. Owns: Bud, Tri, Vie, Ser, Rum (5). Remove 2.
 FRANCE (resigned): F Eng, F Bre, A Bur, A Pie, A Spa. Owns: Bre, Mar, Spa, Por (4). Remove 1.
 GERMANY (Goldstein): A Bel, F Nth, F Den, A Par, A Gas, A Ruh, A Lva, F Lon. Owns: Ber, Kie, Mun, Den, Hol, Edi, Lon, Lpl, Bel, Par (10). Build 2.
 ITALY (Patton): F Gre, F Ven, A Rom. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Gre (5). Build 1 (no room for 2nd).
 RUSSIA (Johnston)(Reinsel standing by): F Nwy, F Swe, F Bla, F Arm, A War, A Bul, A Ank. Owns: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Swe, Nwy, Bul, Ank (8). Build 1.
 TURKEY (White): A Smy, F Con, F Aeg. Owns: Con, Smy (2). Remove 1.
 The new GM will set a deadline for Winter 1964 adjustments. Replacement players are needed for France.
 New GM: P. M. Gaylord, 2085 Todd Dr., St.Paul MN 55112 (RAMSEY DIPLOMAT). Subscription may be required; I'm not sure.

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THE IFW DIPLOMACY GAMES

The Diplomacy games being played under the IFW Open were at least as unfortunate as any I've seen. Even when they were active, any number of difficulties developed. Now, in his haste to abandon all of his responsibilities in postal Diplomacy, Bill McDuffie has dumped the open, too. Luckily, there has always been concern in postal Diplomacy for people victimized in this fashion.

Although the IFW Open games are completely under the authority of the IFW, the Federation has asked the N3FGB Diplomacy Division to assist in the restarting of the games. We are only too happy to do this.

The games will remain within the IFW, of course. The new Gamesmaster will be Len Lakofka, President of the IFW and editor of LIAISONS DANGEREUSES. Since Len is playing in 1969BY, he has asked me to serve as his "watchdog" in that game; that is, he will send me his orders within a few days of the date the previous moves were published, and I will check the printed orders to see that they tally with what Len sent me. Of course, Len is not about to take undue advantage, anyway, but this more formal procedure will make everyone feel better.

Below is a listing for each game: current positions, holdings, and player/address where available.

1969BY (IF #1) -- Spring 1904 (holdings as of Fall 1903)

AUSTRIA (George Mankiewicz, 9748 Bellder Dr., Downey CA 90240): A Tri. Owns: Tri (1).

ENGLAND (Sam Ferris, 210 Newberry Ave., Newberry MI 49868): F Iri, F Eng, F Nrg. Owns: Edi, Lpl, Lon, StP (4). [A StP was /a/.]

FRANCE (Paul York, P.O. Box 1973, Los Angeles CA 90053): F Bre. Owns: Bre (1).

GERMANY (Ken Borecki), 19 Royal Rd., Rockville Centre NY 11570): F Bal, A Sil, A Boh, A Lva, A Pru, A Par, A Pic, F Bel, A Nwy. Owns: Ber, Kie, Mun, Hol, Den, Swe, Bel, Par, Nwy (9).

ITALY (Len Lakofka, 1806 N. Richmond, Chicago IL 60647): A Ven, F Tyr, F Ion, A Gas, F Spa(sc), F Mid, A Apu. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Mar, Spa, Por (7).

RUSSIA (Gerald White, 4004 S.E. Pine St., Portland OR 97214): F Bot, A StP, A War, A Gal, A Vie, A Bud. Owns: Mos, Sev, War, Rum, Bud, Vie (6).

TURKEY (Ray Myers, 815 Thayer Ave., #606, Silver Spring MD 20910): F Smy, F Aeg, F Gre, A Ser, A Bul, F Con. Owns: Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Gre, Ser (6).

ENGLAND (again): A StP was not /a/, but (R)-Fin. Sorry...
DEADLINE is on page 2/for FALL 1904.

1969CE (IF #2) -- Winter 1903

ENGLAND (Mike Murray, 4929 N. Kildare, Chicago IL 60630): F Wal, F Nth, A Yor. Owns: Edi, Lon, Nwy (3).

FRANCE (Lucien L'Heureux, 2775 Barclay, Apt. 10, Montreal, Quebec, Canada): F Iri, A Pic, A Bur, A Mar, F Lpl, F Bre. Owns: Bre, Mar, Par, Spa, Por, Lpl (6).

GERMANY (David Emdee, 4204 S. 13th St., Apt. B, Arlington VA 22204): A Ruh, F Kie, A Den, A Tyr, A Boh. Owns: Kie, Mun, Bel, Hol, Den (5).

ITALY (Russell Tulp, 433 Parkside Ave., Buffalo NY 14216): A Vie, A Ven, F Tri, A Ser, F Gre, F Ion, F Nap, A Rom. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Tri, Vie, Ser, Gre (8).

RUSSIA (Mark Nyderek, 6443 S. Talman, Chicago IL 60629): A Arm, F Ank, A Bul, A Bud, A Ber, F Swe, F Bar, A Sev, A War, F StP(sc). Owns: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Swe, Rum, Bud, Ank, Ber, Bul (10).

TURKEY (Mike Eripes, 8787 Primrose Ln., Clive IO 50053): F Con, A Smy. Owns: Con, Smy (2).

DEADLINE for SPRING 1904 is below, after 1970AC.

1970AC (IF #3) -- Spring 1903 (Holdings as of Fall 1902)(this game listed, in LA GUERRE, erroneously, as "1970CA").

AUSTRIA (Ritchie Dean, R.R. 7, Box 283, Hillsboro OH 45133): A Boh, A Vie, A Ser, F Ion. Also A Tri, dislodged, may retreat to Bud, Alb, or off the board. Owns: Bud, Vie, Tri, Ser, Gre (5).

ENGLAND (David Jack, address unknown): F Iri, F Lon, F Nth, F Hol, A Nwy. Owns: Edi, Lpl, Lon, Nwy, Bel (5).

FRANCE (Greg Baker, 3424 DelMonte Dr., Houston TX 77019): F Mid, F Bre, A Pic, A Bel, A Bur. Owns: Bre, Mar, Par, Spa, Por (5).

GERMANY (Duddy Tretick, 3702 Wendy Ln., SilverSpring MD 20906): A Sil, A Gal, A Kie, F Bal. Owns: Ber, Kie, Mun, Hol, Den (5) [1 /a/, S03].

ITALY (Nicholas Maffeo, 268 Ashland Pl., Rm. 609, Brooklyn NY 11217): A Ven, A Tri, F Apu, F Tun. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun (4).

RUSSIA (Aaron Grossbaum, 293 Crest Dr., Tarrytown NY 10591): F Bla, A Bul, A Ukr, A Pru, A War, F Swe, A Fin. Owns: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Bul, Swe, Rum (7).

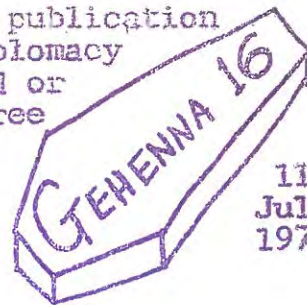
TURKEY (Kevin Knudsen, 413 S. Phelps, ArlingtonHeights IL 60004): A Con, A Ank, F Gre. Owns: Ank, Con, Smy (3).

DEADLINE for FALL 1903 is just below. Because I have no way of knowing what David Jack's address is, I request Mr. Tretick, the former IF publisher, or Mr. Lakofka to provide it to the players--and to me, so I can send him a copy of this. Until we find him, I will make England's moves, so negotiate with me, in the meantime, as you would with the English player.

DEADLINE FOR ALL MOVES IN ALL GAMES is Thursday, 13 May 1971. SEND YOUR ORDERS TO THE NEW GAME MASTER, Len Lakofka, 1806 N. Richmond, Chicago IL 60647. DO NOT SEND ORDERS TO ME.

For a variety of reasons, errors in adjudication have doubtless occurred. I have corrected some, but I probably have not detected all, since I did not play out the moves. Players who believe errors have been made should report them to Mr. Lakofka. It may be possible to correct them.

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LONELY MOUNTAIN

One of America's finest postal Diplomacy publications last appeared on 31 October 1970. I have, all during the intervening period, remained in contact with Editor Charles Wells and Almoner Terry Kuch. Regrettably, the continuation of LM, beyond a close-out issue recounting games continued and/or completed by carbon copy (something Terry and I have discussed), is now quite out of the question. Gamesmasters Cochran and Lindsay have not responded to my inquiries on their games, and it must be presumed that they have abandoned them.

Four regular games in LM subzines have not yet gone to completion. Of these, 1969H may be completed (Pete Ansoff tells me it is; however, I have not yet seen any official statement on it). I am informed by Charles Wells that 1969Q was "abandoned...under my house rule that says I can do so if players controlling a majority of the pieces fail to move in a given season". At least one of the players who did submit moves, John McCallum, was unaware of this result, and expressed an interest in seeing the game continued. While I do not wish to question Charles' right to operate under his own House Rules, it would seem fair at least to see if there is sufficient interest in the game to continue.

Players in the four games listed below are therefore requested to reply by Monday, 2 August 1971. In each case, I request two things: your vote on whether or not to continue your game(s) and any information (moves, &c.) on the progress of the game since the last season I have recorded for it (even if the game is since concluded, please).

If players holding a majority of the units on the board wish to continue the game, we will do so, and an alternate Gamesmaster will be found. Otherwise, the game will be cancelled.

In the listing below, I indicate subzine, Gamesmaster, last known season, and players with last known address (sometimes 2 years old).

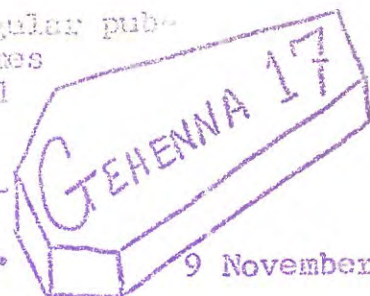
1969H, HALF 'N' HALF, Dave Lindsay, Spring 1907. AUS: Jim Goldman, 553 River St., Paterson NJ 07524; ENG: Dave Johnson, 5451 Rockwood Rd., Columbus OH 43229; FRA: George Patton, 1841 Suffolk Rd., Columbus OH 43221; TUR: Peter Ansoff, 1824 Laurel Ridge Dr., Nashville TN 37215.

1969Q, DOUBLE CROSS, Charles Wells, Winter 1907. AUS: Ron Salcedo, 78 Charles St., New Rochelle NY 10801; ENG: Al Scott, 753 James, Chapel Hill NC 27514; FRA: Dave Johnston (see 1969H, ENG); GER: Hank Reinhardt, 2502 Randolph Pl., Birmingham AL 35223; ITA: John Austin, 5107 Ainsworth Dr., Greensboro NC 27410; RUS: Terry Kuch, 7554 SpringLake Dr., Bethesda MD 20034; TUR: John McCallum, P.O. Box 52, Ralston, Alberta, Canada.

1969AA, HALF 'N' HALF, Dave Lindsay, Winter 1904. AUS: George Patton (see 1969H, FRA); ENG: George Inzer, 1905 NE 3rd Pl., Birmingham AL 35215; FRA: Jim Goldman (see 1969H, AUS); GER: Peter Ansoff (see 1969H, TUR); ITA: Mike Goldstein, 2941 Hewitt Ave., Apt. 367, SilverSpring MD 20906. AUS

RUS: Len Lakofka, 1806 N. Richmond, Chicago IL 60647; TUR: Ron Salcedo (Q, 1969BP, ORODUIN, Sid Cochran, Fall 1903. AUS: George Inzer (see 1969AA, ENG); ENG: Hank Reinhardt (see 1969Q, GER); FRA: K.V. Wittmann, 10 Lexington Ave., Apt. J-4, Newark NJ 07105; GER: Mike Childers, P.O. Box 1201, CollegeStation TX 77840; ITA: Ron Salcedo (see 1969Q, AUS); RUS: Jane Wells, FiftyLakes MN 56448; TUR: Sidney Witt, 2002 Shalett, NewOrleans LA 70114.

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THE "GRUDGE" GAME

1971BC was originally formed by Gary Jones, at my suggestion, for play in his projected 'zine, DIPLOGROK. That unhappy 'zine never appeared, its first-issue prototypes having disappeared in the mail, and its editor having also vanished before the second issue could be brought out.

The purpose of the game was to bring together seven of the game's best players, but also players who have had occasion to feud and fuss at each other (and, in some cases, are still doing so). We were successful in rounding up 7 good players, who between them have won 26 postal Diplomacy games. Some of them are less "feud"-prone than others, but that can't be helped.

The promise that this would be in many ways the Game of the Century prompted GM Jones to offer it without game fee, which is lucky, since there were no fees for him to abscond with when he vanished.

I contacted the players last month, asking if they wished to continue, and indicating that it was necessary to write only if they did not or if they had any objections to prospective new GM, Walt Buchanan. I heard only from Gene Prosnitz and Buddy Tretick, both of whom wished to play and expressed specific approval of Walt. So, here we go.

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AUSTRIA: John Smythe, 621 E. Prospect, Girard OH 44420.
ENGLAND: Buddy Tretick, 3702 Wendy Ln., Silver Spring MD 20906.
FRANCE: Len Lakofka, 1806 N. Richmond, Chicago IL 60647.
GERMANY: Hal Naus, 1011 Barrett Ave., Chula Vista CA 92011.
ITALY: Eugene Prosnitz, 200 Clinton St., Brooklyn NY 11201.
RUSSIA: Charles Reinsel, Box 36, Marienville PA 16239.
TURKEY: Rod Walker, 5058 Hawley Blvd., San Diego CA 92116.
GAMESMASTER: Walt Buchanan, R.R. #3, Lebanon IN 46052.

As indicated previously, there will be a game fee. Walt has informed me that it will be \$4, preferably a \$4 booklet of air mail stamps. This will be due with the Spring 1901 orders. Deadlines will be biweekly and strictly observed. Since the new Rulebook is now out (\$1 from GRI, by the way), I imagine Walt will be conducting the game under its provisions. In order to facilitate things, I am setting on Walt's behalf a deadline of Wednesday, 24 November 1971, for Spring 1901.

Please also do one other thing: please tell Walt your feelings on how he should proceed in the event one or more of the original players fails to send in Spring 1901 orders and/or the \$4 game fee.

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LRT, WHERE ARE YOU?

Earlier this year, I officially informed Buddy Tretick, via registered letter, that if his dormant games failed to show progress, the Diplomacy Division would take action, normal in all such cases, of seeing what the players desired. Postal game 1970AE (noted in LA GUERRE as LRT or "1970BI") has not appeared since May 1971, more than 6 months ago, when the Spring 1905 orders were published.

I have since had a specific request from one of the players, Len Lakofka, to take action on this game. Len notes that the game has been dormant for "3-4 months", which suggests at least one other season may have been published since Spring 1905, possibly by carbon copy. If so, I would appreciate copies of all seasons published since S05.

What follows is a list of players, their positions after S05, and their supply center holdings after F04.

AUSTRIA (Bob Wilson, 1602 N. King St., O-1, Santa Ana CA 94401): A Ber, A Vie, A Tri, A Bud, A Rum, A Bul, F Gre. Owns: Bud, Tri, Vie, Ser, Gre, Bul, Ber (7).

FRANCE (George Inzer, c/o Dept. of Speech & Dramatic Arts, Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant MI 48848): F Edi, A Yor, F Nth, F Mid, F Hol, AKie, A Ruh, A Bur, A Mar, F Spa(sc). Owns: Bre, Mar, Par, Spa, Por, Bel, Lpl, Edi, Hol, Lon (10).

ITALY (Len Lakofka, 1806 N. Richmond, Chicago IL 60647): F Tun, F Tyr, F Tus, A Mun, A Tyr, F Con, A Ank. Owns: Nap, Rom, V n, Tun, Mun, Con, Smy (7). [Con & Smy were not listed in F04.]

RUSSIA (Peter Weber, 417 E. Hatcher, #2, Phoenix AR 85020): A Nwy, A Den, F Bal, A Ukr, A Sev, F Bla, F Arm. Owns: Mos, StP, Sev, War, Rum, Ank, Nwy, Swe, Den Kie (10) [2 units were not built, W04; 1 was annihilated, S05]

The procedure at this point is usual with NFFFGBDD placement of abandoned games. Naturally, if Buddy Tretick wishes to continue the game under his own control, he has only to resume publication or give reasonable assurances that the game will continue in a short time. Meanwhile, what actions, if any, are taken, are entirely up to the players, who paid for the game and therefore have the right to determine what happens to it in cases, as this seems to be, of Gamesmaster default.

I therefore request the players to vote on (a) transferring the game to a new Gamesmaster, (b) cancelling the game, or (c) waiting on Tretick to continue. Please send your vote to me by Monday, 13 December 1971 [remember, the mails are crowded, so reply as soon as you can]. Please also indicate any Gamesmaster(s) you definitely would object to, and also any you might prefer if they are willing to take the game. If the majority is for transfer, we will proceed. [Copies of this are going to GM Tretick and to stand-by Don Horton, 16 Jordan Ct., Sacramento CA 95826.]