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1985CA "Winter 1908-Spring 1909"

EAGLE FACES WEST WITH BOTH HEADS

The "Winter 1908" orders were:
ENGLAND: Builds F Lon, A Edi, A Liv.
GERMANY: Removes A Ruh, A Bur.
AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Builds A Bud.
All players were informed. The vote for a draw fails, and will not for the time being be re-submitted.

ENGLAND (Bragdon): A Edi-Den; F Nth C A Edi-Den; A Liv-Wal; F Lon-Eng; A War-Mos; A Bel-Bur; A Hol-Ruh; F Kie S GERMAN F Ber; F Bal S F Kie; A Yor F St.P(n.c.) hold.

FRANCE (Petty): A Bre-Par; A Gas S A Bre-Par; F Mar-Spa(s.c.).

GERMANY (Quirk): F Ber holds; A Mun S F Ber.

ITALY (Plachta): F Tun-Wes; F Ion-Tyr; F Adr-Ion; A Par-Bur; A Ven holds.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Foster): F Gre-Alb; A Con-Bul; A Smy-Arm; A Boh-Sil; A Ser S A Tri; A Bud-Gal; A Liv-Mos; A Pru-Liv; A Vie-Tyr; A Tri S A Vie-Tyr.

Underlined moves are not possible. Italy must retreat A Par-Pic. The deadline for "Fall 1909" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987.

ITALY to WORLD: Remember: these movements are only for sale of religious articles and indulgences!

ENGLAND to GERMANY: Will I concede to Austria? Don't rush me - I'm thinking! I'm thinking! (Decisions, decisions all the time yet.)

ENGLAND to AUSTRIA: Or would you rather concede to me? Don't knock it till you try it. It would give you a great feeling of nobility, martyrdom, altruism, etc. (To paraphrase the immortal Leo Durocher, "Nice guys finish second.") (More press on p. 9)

1986CW

"Fall 1903"

ALBION PERFIDE!

Rather than retreat the dislodged A Bul, Austria-Hungary removed it instead. Turkey retreated F Aeg-Smy.

ENGLAND (Harkin): F Nwy-St.P(n.c.); F Nrg-NAT; A Den-Swe; F Hel-Den; F Nth-Eng; F Mid-Por.

FRANCE (Pribe): A Mar-Pie; F Lyo S A Mar-Pie; F Spa(s.c.) S ENGLISH F Mid-Wes; A Gas-Mar; A Pic holds.

GERMANY (Kandara): F Kie & A Bel S A Hol; A Hol S A Bel; A Mun S F Kie.

ITALY (Plachta): F Wes-Tyr; A Apu-Gre; F Ion C A Apu-Gre; A Pie-Mar.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Currie): A Gal-Rum; A Bud & A Ser S A Gal-Rum; F Aeg S ITALIAN A Apu-Gre; A Gre-Bul((sic; no such unit exists. Having removed the dislodged A Bul in "Spring 1903", the player cannot change his mind with the "Fall 1903" orders. See Postal Rule 18.))

RUSSIA (Sargent): F Bal holds; A War-Gal; A Rum S F Bul(e.c.); F Bul(e.c.) & F Bla S A Rum.

TURKEY (Schenck): A Con S RUSSIAN F Bul(e.c.); A Ank S A Con; F Smy-Aeg.

Underlined moves are not possible. Italy must retreat A Pie-Tyr, -Ven, or -Tus, or remove the unit. The direction of this retreat should come in with the "Winter 1903" orders, which may be made conditional upon it. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Den, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, Por, St.P, Swe. (8)

FRANCE: Bre, Mar, Par, Spa. (4)

GERMANY: Bel, Den, Hol, Kie, Mun. (5)

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1984V

"Fall 1917"

"...VON SCHLÄMPEREI GEMILDERT"

ENGLAND (Brooks): A St.P-Mos; F Bot S GERMAN A Liv; F Fin S A Mos((sic)); F Nrg-NAT; F Tyr-Ion; F Tun S F Tyr-Ion; F Naf S F Tun; F Mid-Por; F Eng-Mid.

GERMANY (Gaughan): A Sil-War; A Pru S A Sil-War; A Mun & A Spa hold; A Ruh S A Mun; A Liv S A Sil-War; A Pie holds.

ITALY (Sims): F Wes-Lyo.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Manna): No moves received. A Mos, A Ukr, F Gas, A Gal, A Boh, A Vic, A Tyr, A Ven, A Tus, A Rom, F Nap, A Apu, F Aeg hold; A War & F Ion dislodged and annihilated.

Underlined moves are not possible. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Bre, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, Por, St.P, Swe, Tun. (10)

GERMANY: Bar, Den, Hol, Kie, Mar, Mun, Par, Spa. War. (9)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Ank, Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Mos, Nap, Rom, Rum, Ser, Sev, Smy, Tri, Ven, Vie. (15)

Austria-Hungary may build two new units, and Germany and England may each build one. The last Italian unit is removed. The deadline for these "Winter 1917" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987. Stand-by orders for Austria-Hungary should be sent in by Scott Ruffing, 856 Linworth Rd. East, Worthington, Ohio 43085-2148; 614-888-0011.

1984ID

"Winter 1911"

Following "Fall 1911" moves, France retreated A Bur-Bel and Austria-Hungary A Ser-Rum. Germany therefore has 3 supply centers and 3 removals.

ENGLAND (J. Jordan): Builds A Lon. AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Brooks): Removes A Boh.

FRANCE (D. Martin): Builds A Mar. TURKEY (Addison): Builds A Con, A Ank.

GERMANY (Cameron): Removes A Pic, A Bur. (Gamesmaster removes F Eng.)

The deadline for "Spring 1912" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY to TURKEY: Turkey go home!! Thanksgiving is in 7 months.

FRANCE to TURKEY: Congrats on a much-deserved win! Now, how about leaving my dots alone? After all, we are allies! (Aren't we?)

1984IO

"Winter 1911-Spring 1912"

"ÜBER ALLES" MEANS "ALL OVER"

In "Winter 1911" Germany built A Ber, A Mun and A Kie, while Italy built A Ven.

GERMANY (D. Martin): A Mun-Boh; A Tyr S A Mun-Boh; A Ber-Sil; A Kie-Hol; A Mar-Pie; A Spa & F Nth holds; F Nrg-NAT; F Bar-Nrg; F Eng-Mid; A St.P-Mos; A Sev-Rum; A Ukr S A Sev-Rum; A Gal S A Sev-Rum; A Mos-Sev.

ITALY (Barents): A Pie-Mar; F Wes-Mid; F Tyr-Lyo; F Apu-Nap; F Adr-Ion; F Ion-Tun; F Gre S F Adr-Ion; F Alb S F Gre; A Ven-Tyr; A Tri S A Ven-Tyr; A Vie-Boh; A Bud-Gal.

TURKEY (McCarthy): A Smy-Gre; F Aeg C A Smy-Gre; A Bul S A Smy-Gre; A Arm-Sev; F Eas S F Aeg; A Rum S A Arm-Sev.

Underlined moves are not possible. The German A Tyr is dislodged and annihilated, and Turkey retreats A Rum-Ser. The deadline for "Fall 1912" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987. Press releases are postponed to the next issue.

FEWER AND FEWER

Following "Spring 1909" moves Turkey retreated A Gal-Bud and Austria-Hungary retreated A Ven-Pie. There was no retreat sent in for the dislodged English F Ion, which is therefore removed. All players were informed.

ENGLAND (Stewart): F Nth-Eng; A Liv-Wal; F Tri-Mid; A Rom-Apu; F Lyo-Mar; F Nap-Ion; F Tyr S F Nap-Ion; F St.P(n.c.) holds.

GERMANY (Verheiden): A Hol S A Bel; A Bel S A Hol; F Den S F Bal-Swe; A Ber-Sil; F Bal-Swe; A Mun S A Sil-Boh; A Gal-Ukr; A War S A Gal-Ukr; A Sil-Boh; A Liv S A Mos; A Mos S A Gal-Ukr.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (P. Martin): A Pie-Mar.

RUSSIA (Sims): A Fin-Swe; A Sev-Mos; A Vie-Boh.

TURKEY (McHugh): No moves received. F Con, F Eas, F Bul(s.c.), F Apu, F Adr, A Ven, A Tyr & A Bud hold; F Ion & A Ukr dislodged and annihilated.

Underlined moves are not possible. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Eke, Edi, Liv, ~~Par~~, Nap, Nwy, Por, Rom, St.P, Spa. (10)

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Lon, Mar, Mos, Mun, Swe, War. (11)

RUSSIA: Sev, Vie. (2)

TURKEY: Ank, Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Rum, Ser, Smy, Tri, Tun, Ven. (11).

England and Turkey may each build two new units; Turkey would have a third build but no home supply center is available. (It should be noted that London is not an English supply center, and no English unit can now be built there.) Russia must remove one unit, and the last Austro-Hungarian unit is also removed. The deadline for these "Winter 1909" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987. Stand-by orders for Turkey should be sent in by Jack Carli, 4030 E. 64, Anchorage, Alaska 99507-2027. The vote for a draw fails and will not be offered again at this time.

ENGLISH AND GERMANS MIX IT UP

ENGLAND (Chafetz): A Liverpool holds; F Nth-Lon; A Yor S F Nth-Lon; A Swe-Den; F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy.

FRANCE (Addison): A Mar-Pie; A Tus S A Mar-Pie; F Tyr-Rom; F Tun-Ion; F Nap S F Tun-Ion; A Wal-Liv; F Eng-Nth; F Bre-Tri((sic)); A Bel holds.

GERMANY (Skellie): F Lon-Nth; F Bot-Swe; F Den S F Bot-Swe; A Kie S F Den; A Ber-Pru; A Hol holds; A Con-Bul; A Ukr-Sev; A Sev S A Ukr-Rum; A Vie-Bud; A Tri & A Gal S A Gal-Bud.

ITALY (Sims): A Ven S AUSTRIO-HUNGARIAN A Tri((sic)); F Apu S A Ven.

TURKEY (Quarto): A Ank-Con; A Bud-Rum; A Bul S A Bud-Rum; A Ser S A Bud-Rum; F Bla S A Ank-Con; A Arm-Smy.

Underlined moves are not possible. The German F Lon and A Con, and the Turkish A Bud, are dislodged and annihilated, and England retreats A Swe-Fin. Scott Skellie writes that his ZIP code is 77062-5213, and his phone number is 713-280-0081. Press releases are postponed to the next issue.

1985HD

"Winter 1906"

Following "Fall 1906" moves, Russia retreated A War-Ukr and F Spa(s.c.)-Wes.
 FRANCE (H. Jordan): Builds F Bre. ITALY (Scensny): Removes A Pie, F Tri.
 RUSSIA (Botimer): Builds F St.P(n.c.), A Mos.
 The deadline for "Spring 1907" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987.
 ROME to PARIS: What do you expect from Belizeans, most people don't even know where we are.

1985HF

"Spring 1908"

ENGLISH KEEP UP THE FIGHT

ENGLAND (MacNiallais): F Bar-Nwy; F Nth & F Ska S F Bar-Nwy; F Den-Swe.
 FRANCE (McHugh): A Mar-Bur; F Mid-Iri; F Tus-Pie((sic; no such unit exists)); F Pie not ordered, dislodged.
 GERMANY (Quirk): A Par-Bre.
 RUSSIA (Austin): A St.P S A Nwy; A Fin S A Swe; A Sve S A Nwy; A Nwy holds; F Bal-Den; A Ber-Kie; A Hol S A Ber-Kie; A Bel S A Hol; A Bur-Gas; A Ven S TURKISH A Tus-Pie; A Gal-Vie; A Sil-Mun; A Mos S A St.P; A Sev & A War not ordered, hold.
 TURKEY (Rosen): F Tyr-Wes; F Tun S F Tyr-Wes; F Aeg-Ion; F Con holds; A Tus-Pie; F Lyo S A Tus-Pie; F Spa(s.c.)-Mar; F Rom-Tus; F Ion-Tyr; F Amy-Aeg; A Bud-Tri.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Russian A Nwy and the French F Pie are dislodged and annihilated. The deadline for "Fall 1908" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987. Jack McHugh's apartment number is 8, not 6; the rest of the address is correct.

1985HL

"Spring 1907"

THE LAW OF THE EXCLUDED MIDDLE

ENGLAND (MacNiallais): A Liv-Wal; F Nwy-Bar; F Lon-Eng; F Bel-Pic; A Par-Gas; F Wes-Lyo; F Tyr holds; F Tun S F Tyr.
 GERMANY (Austin): A Spa holds; A Mun S A Sil; A Ber S A Sil; A Swe-Nwy; F Bot-StrP (s.c.); A Sil S A Ber; A Kie S A Mun.
 ITALY (Palter): A Rom-Tus; A Mar S A Rom-Tus((sic)).
 AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Thornsen): A Ven S TURKISH F Nap-Rom; A Tyr S TURKISH A Boh-Mun; A War-Sil; A Bud-Gal; A Tri-Bud.
 TURKEY (Drakert): F Nap-Rom; F Tus S F Nap-Rom; F Ion C A Gre-Apu; A Gre-Apu; F Con-Aeg; A Ser-Rum; A Boh-Mun; A Pru-Liv; A St.P holds; A Mos S A St.P; F Eas S F Ion.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Italian A Rom is dislodged and annihilated. The deadline for "Fall 1907" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987.

1986AF

"Winter 1904"

FRANCE (Hoffman): Removes A Pic. ITALY (Rosen): Builds F Rom.
 GERMANY (Bunwitz): Builds A Ber, A Kie. AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (J. Brennick): Builds A Bud.
 The deadline for "Spring 1905" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987. Press releases are postponed to the next issue. To answer a question, the dislodged German A Pru could not have retreated to Berlin because it was left vacant by a stand-off. (See Rule XI.)

WEST PASSES FORWARD

Following "Spring" moves Russia retreated A Rum-Sev.

ENGLAND (Hurwitz): F Nth-Nrg; F Nwy S GERMAN A Den-Swe; F Bar S F Nwy.

FRANCE (Barents): A Pie-Ven; A Tus S A Pie-Ven; F Mid-NAf; F Wes S F Mid-NAf; A Pic holds; F Tyr-Nap; F Rom S F Tyr-Nap.

GERMANY (Austin): A Mun-Sil; A Pru S A Liv-War; A Liv-War; F Bal S A Den-Swe; A Den-Swe.

ITALY (P. Martin): F Tun-Wes; A Ven S A Tri; A Tri S A Ven.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Ball): A Vie-Gal; A Rum S A Vie-Gal; A Bud & A Ser S A Rum.

RUSSIA (Dolan): A War S A Gal; A Gal S A Sev-Rum; A Sev-Rum; A Mos S A War; A Swe-Den; F St.P(n.c.) S A Mos((sic)); F Bot-Bal.

TURKEY (Skellie): F Aeg-Ion; F Adr S ITALIAN A Ven; F Gre S A Bul; A Bul S RUSSIAN A Sev-Rum; A Smy-Con.

Underlined moves are not possible. Russia retreats A Fin-Swe. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Edi, Div, Lon, Nwy. (4)

ITALY: Tri, Tun, Ven. (3)

FRANCE: Bel, Bre, Mar, Nap, Par, Por, Rom, Spa. (8)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Rum, Ser, Vie. (4)

GERMANY: Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mun, Sve. (6)

RUSSIA: Mos, St.P, Sev, War. (4)

TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Gre, Smy. (5)

England, France, and Germany may each build one new unit, and Russia must remove three. The deadline for these "Winter 1904" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987. For Scott Skellie's phone number and ZIP code see the report of 1985CT.

ANKARA to WORLD: The people of Turkey have declared the French Government to be corrupt and unethical in its negotiation. Its' repeated attempts to force naval superiority in the Mediterranean will not be tolerated by the Turks. The Turkish embassy is being closed and the Turkish diplomatic corps is being recalled. As of May 15, 1904, all French are being expelled from Turkey.

TURKEY to RUSSIA: "The British are coming. The British are coming. I see two lanterns in the Old North Church of St. Petersburg."

LONDON: The admiralty announced that, having liberated Norway and assisted in the liberation of Sweden from the Czar, Her Majesty's Navy's next mission will be to land an army of Norwegian exiles in St. Petersburg, where they can avenge the destruction of Oslo by the Russians. An army will be formed in Edinburgh, and ships are already moving to establish convoy routes.

MOSCOW to BERLIN: The Road to Moscow is long barbarian. I will be there. I WILL BE THERE!

MOSCOW to WORLD: A small conflagration in the Nuclear Parchesi Board factory in the Ukraine was brought under control by the heroic efforts of factory workers. Govt. officials ask European support in declaring May 23 as a day of remembrance for the 2½ people who gave their all urinating to bring the fire under control.

Any donations will be accepted.

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

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"Spring 1904"

1986AZ

AUSTRIA HUNGRY FOR TURKEY

ENGLAND (M. Thompson): F Liv-Iri; F Nwy-Ska; F Nth-Den; A Swe S F Nth-Den; F Lon-Nth;
F Eng S F Lon-Nth.

FRANCE (Stewart): F Bre-Mid; A Bel-Ruh; F Lyo-Tyr.

GERMANY (Barbehenn): F Hel-Hol; F Den holds; A Kie-Ruh; A Bur S A Kie-Ruh; A Par-Gas.

ITALY (Blaine): A Rom S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN F Adr-Apu; A Mar holds; F Spa(s.c.) S A Mar;
F Tun-Ion.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Powell): F Adr-Apu; A Ven S F Adr-Apu; A Ser-Bul; A War-Ukr; A Mos-
Sev; A Tri-Bud; A Tyr S A Ven; A Vie-Boh.

TURKEY (Reebel): A Apu-Rom; F Ion-Tyr; F Nap S F Ion-Tyr; F Gre-Ion; F Con-Aeg; A Bul-
Ser; F Bla-Con.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Turkish A Apu is dislodged and annihilated, and Germany must retreat F Den-Hel, -Kie, or -Bel, or remove the unit. The direction of this retreat should be sent in with the "Fall 1904" orders, which may be made conditional upon it. Alan Stewart is now playing France. Two players have new addresses: ENGLAND: Mark E. Thompson, 3749 Hillsboro North, New Hope, Minn. 55427 (effective 1 June 1987)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Baron M. Powell, C Company, Box 39, 703d Support Battalion (Main), APO New York, N. Y. 09701 (effective immediately)

VIENNA: Rumors continue to spread through the capital concerning the fate of the German Kaiser. Uncertain of whether or not he is alive or dead, the government has been prompted to take immediate action. Several battalions of mountain troops have been sent to patrol the passes into Bohemia and the units in the Alps have been placed in an increased state of alert. The Austrian embassy in Berlin has sent word to the German government that these measures are not meant to provoke, but rather to ensure the integrity of the Monarchy is maintained. It is hoped that whoever is currently holding the reigns of power in Germany will announce himself soon and ease the growing tensions between the two Germanic empires.

BUDAPEST: In a surprise announcement today, the Austrian Chief of Staff stated that the government has renounced the Treaty of Sistova and declared war on the Ottoman Empire. He said this was brought about because of the many obvious violations of the treaty by the Turkish government. In particular, he cited the recent arrest of Bulgarian spies in Belgrade. These agents carried papers signed by high ranking Turkish officials and confessed to being hired to create havoc in the Austrian administration of affairs in Serbia as a prelude to an Ottoman invasion. Many of those present at the Chief of Staff's briefing felt that the recent visit by the Pope to Vienna and his audience with the Kaiser had more to do with this sudden change in policy. It is believed that the Kaiser was convinced to abandon his alliance with a Moslem nation and to carry on a crusade for Christianity in conjunction with the Italian government.

1986HI

'Winter 1902'

Following "Fall 1902" moves Austria-Hungary retreated A Ser-Tri.

ENGLAND (Chang): Builds F Liv.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Rigley): Removes F Alb.

ITALY (Goldman): Builds F Nap, F Rom,
A Ven.

TURKEY (H. Brennick): Builds F Smy.

The deadline for "Spring 1903" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987.

COFFU: The government of Italy has entered negotiations with Turkey to end the present hostilities in the central Mediterranean. All eyes are on this tiny corner of Europe, where the fate of the Mediterranean world hangs in the balance. Italian

spokesmen were cautiously optimistic.

BUDAPEST to ROME: The Arch Duke is over joyed, to see his Italian neighbor doing so well. And hopes that he will be able to travel to Constantinople soon.

LONDON nach BERLIN: Lieber Kaiser. Was sagst du, wirklich? Verstehst du dich selbst?

VIENNA (from the Arch Duke): The fishing was bad. I mean real bad. And their for I've sold my fleet to the Italians.

1937AD

"Winter 1901"

ENGLAND (Plachta): Builds F Lon, F Liv.

ITALY (P. Thompson): "Builds F Sil." ((sic))

FRANCE (McCarthy): Builds A Par.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Gibson): Builds A Vie.

GERMANY (Lange): Builds A Ber, A Kie.

TURKEY (J. Jordan): Builds F Ank.

The deadline for "Spring 1902" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987.

TIME of LONDON: "Warlord has received urgent communique from 'Free City of St. Petersburg'. Citizens request British troops to assist in throwing off yolk of oppressors. Warlord decides to accede to request, as he has heard of beautiful weather, sandy beaches, bikini clad maidens. 'Perhaps our public school boys will stop eyeing one another, if there is something better to look at,' he says."

LONDON (News of the World): "Warlord announces nationalization of warship industry, and assignment of exclusive patent to produce same to his brother Angus. Angus, as sheepherder from the Isle of Skye is pleased. Warlord scoffs at hints of corruption, and indicates: 'Hey, you can see the ocean from where Angus lives--who's to say he is unqualified.'"

ROME: I can tell you're dazzled by my footwork. Now watch as I gesture hypnotically toward the Northern Cockpit. Concede a province to me now, and I'll tell you who the good guys are and who that is that's sneaking up behind you with red-dripping cutlery.

WIEN FREI LUX: Big debate: "Ankara wants us to take Meritocracy to the Greeks, & Rumania wants it brot there. Greece dares the Turks to bring Islam there, & Rum is banned by Koran! Yet t Sultan insists "We want Rum!" No one likes to fry in Greace!

PRESS RELEASES I ORIGINALLY DIDN'T THINK I'D BE ABLE TO FIT INTO THIS ISSUE

1984V

ENGLAND to AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Now is the time for you to settle for a draw - before you are defeated!!! This is your last chance!

1984IO

GERMANY to WORLD: One way or another, it'll be peace in '13.

ROME to WORLD: Looks like the Snail, the U. S. Snail got me last spring - Germany lucked out because of that, but never mind we will fight on to the end.

1985CA

ITALY to WORLD: Aha! So thatsa where my Papal forces are. And I thought they were lost forever.

1985CT

BERLIN to TURKEY: Yes, it appears Germany can afford it.

BERLIN to BROOKLYN: I believe it is more appropriate to say "The underlined moves are unsuccessful." The phrase "not possible" suggests an illegal order.

BROOKLYN (URRP): Illegal orders are always marked with "((sic))".

BLACK FOREST to PARIS: Don't worry. I'm on my way to Italy.

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ITALY: Gre, Nap, Rom, Tun, Ven. (5) RUSSIA: Bul, Mós, Rum, Sev, War. (5)
 AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Ser, Tri, Vie. (4) TURKEY: Ank, Con, Smy. (3)
 England may build two new units, and Italy and Germany may each build one. (Italy will have a second build if the dislodged A Pie is removed.) France must remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1903" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987. Garrett Schenck's phone number is 718-852-6574.

PETROGRAD: Hail the triumph of the oppressed masses! Ousted Czar's forces redirected toward enemies of the people! Austrian winter press credited with toppling the corrupt regime of Czar Mikolas; liberation of ethnic peoples within Austria-Hungary given top priority!

MOSCOW: The Peoples Commisar for Cultural Affairs has announced the withdrawal of Russian representatives from the so-called "wine-tasting" competition. The peoples' voice condemns such capitalist frivolity while working men thirst for revolutionary justice.

SEVASTOPOL: Communique: Peoples Revolutionary Army, Southwest Front: "Soviet marines, with the assistance of Turkish artillery firing from beleaguered positions around Constantinople, today began the occupation of Bulgaria with the aim of spreading socialist enlightenment throughout the Balkans."

ITALY to AUSTRIA (via Petrograd): What are you waiting for?

KAISER STEVE to WORLD: Austria-Hungary intends to defend its sovereign territory and possessions. While the Russian attack was not expected, this government had been warned by several of its allies, of the possibility of Russo-Turkish cooperation. Since this governments trust and good faith have been betrayed I see no choice but to enter into a war which neither Tsar Mike, nor I, ever wanted.

DRK to WORLD: Several days in Vienna had convinced Der Rote Kriegspieler of the urgency of the situation. The "situation" was, of course, the unprovoked Russian seizure of Bulgaria. The next morning DRK went to review the seven new airships being built for use by the Austro-Hungarian military. Napoleon had failed to invade Russia decisively because of long supply lines, long front, and the bitter Russian winter. Kaiser Steve had placed his faith in Our Hero, and DRK was not about to let the Kaiser down. DRK had only to go to Rumania, and once the oil fields were in Austrian hands... well, we'll see. Reminder wine in hand, DRK thought, "I shall not forget the friends of this nation, as long as they do not forget that this nation is their friend."

VIENNA: The War-room was in an uproar. "Success!" shouted happy general staff members. Soon all was quiet as Kaiser Steve and DRK entered the room. Maps were unveiled and Rosters handed out, and then, Kaiser Steve began to reveal Operation Drang nach Osten.

KAISER STEVE to TSAR MIKE: The Sultan thinks your country is turning communist. If it is you had better come and live in Vienna before the Pinkos murder you. Long live the TSAR!

ITALY to WORLD: I tried to warn DRK he could not-a trust the Russians, for I have prayed over the matter. Any nation which will not accept the primacy of the See of Rome can only be assumed to be back-stabbing, dry-gulching dogs of scum. But would he listen? No. Now look what it happening!

ITALY to ENGLAND: What! You have lied to the pope again! This reminds me of the time when Monsignor Peperroni advised-a me the Mafia had kidnapped 50 Sicilian nuns, and would kill them UNLESS I, Il Papa, made love to a woman! I protested, but finally agreed-a to save-a the lives of these holy women, under three conditions: Thees woman to whom I make-a love, she musta be blind, so she cannot see-a who does-a thees terrible thing to her! She musta be dumb, so she cannot-a say who does-a thees terrible thing to her! And, most-a important I said, SHE GOTTS HAVE A BEEGA TEETS! Well, the Mafia killed those nuns anyhow, and now I...well, that's another story. I have been taken in by the lying English peegs for the lasta time!

CARMELLE CONVENT, ROULENC, PUNDSCHOSUK (URRP): "Ka-chunk!"

PARIS SOCIÉTÉ: The governing board of the National French Wine Commission has

announced the names of the two French judges to the Great Wine Competition to be held this winter in Skandalutz. They are Lady Fifi Bleue, a wine taster for the Lafite-Rothschild vineyards, and Joseph Liouville, a restaurateur from Monte Carlo. Both judges are known for their impartiality.

In related news, the Dual Monarchy has once again shown their solecistic nature by casting their votes two seasons before the competition is even held.

PETROGRAD to ROME: Oh perfidious Popester, why did you intrigue to destroy all the Triple Alliance worked for! "Perhaps a dietary problem; a cure might be effected by changing your diet from pasta to escargot", suggested People's Health Commisar Vladimir Cyringe.

ENGLAND to FRANCE: I feel like such a whore! Dixie Gray would certainly be proud, though. (To those who are not familiar with the infamous "Dixie Gray", she was a notorious pbm player from a few years back who was not adverse to using her womanly tools to seduce male Dip. players and shortly afterwards making like a black widow.)

ENGLAND to RUSSIA: I feel like such a slut. But as Dixie would say, "By Screwing you I have made three other people happy....Austria, Turkey, & Germany." Let me just say that I felt I needed a corner position and a build.

ENGLAND to GERMANY: Now that the extra fleet is gone, maybe we can pick up where we left off.

ENGLAND to ITALY: I haven't forgotten about the Spain deal. I just had to postpone it a bit.

ENGLAND to AUSTRIA & TURKEY: I hope you are happy now

CONSTANTINOPLE CRESCENT: Medical Scandal in Vienna! The Austrian capital has been reeling under the twin hammer blows of the October Revolution in Russia, and the recent surfacing of the "Doctor's Scandal". Kaiser Steve, it has now been learned, has been brain-dead for almost six years. During this time the Kaiser was attached to the most up-to-date equipment available, but never with the slightest hope of recovery. Herr Doktor Schwoozel, the cynical Court Physician, apparently masterminded this gigantic fraud with the help of DER RAT, the Austrian warlord. While the Kaiser had apparently been seen in public as recently as six months ago, it has now been revealed that an actor has been playing the role of Kaiser Steve in these infrequent public appearances. The real Kaiser, meanwhile, has been kept hidden in a dungeon in the cellars of his castle, where the State Security Council maintains its headquarters.

DER RAT's popularity has plummeted to all time lows in the wake of last week's revelations. His effigy has been repeatedly burned during the increasingly violent demonstrations against his rule, his name a curse on all lips. Barricades have been thrown up in the streets, and the whole city seethes with pre-revolutionary ferment. There are reports of mass desertions in Serbia, and observers here feel it could be only a matter of days before RAT's government collapses.

The Kaiser remains connected to the machines, for want of any better fate. It seems the crowds don't want an electronic replay of 1793, so his brainless sleep is likely to continue into the future.

TURKEY to SKANDALUTZ: Okay, have it your own way. We gave you your chance to help the cause of peace and justice in the world, but you decided instead to support the forces of evil and despair. With great regret the Turkish Government announces the recall of its Ambassador to Skandalutz, and the severing of all official ties with that nation.

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ENGLAND to EVERYBODY: Seriously, my advice is - don't concede to anybody. My own objective in this game, as in every Diplomacy game, is to keep somebody else from winning and to do that via a 3-way draw. (Anyone interested?)

1987CD

The new postal Diplomacy game, announced in the last issue, has been assigned the Boardman Number 1987CD. Ronald Meldrum's new address is Box 1490, Salem Road, Kingfield, Maine 04947-1490. Jack McHugh's new address is with the report of 1985HF.

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"Fall 1904"

KASAKEN KOMMEN!

Following "Spring 1904" moves Turkey retreated F Bla-Ank and England retreated F Nth-Edi. All players were informed.

ENGLAND (Rigley): F Edi-Nth; A Fin-Nwy; A Swe-Den; F Eng-Lon; F Nwy-Ska.

FRANCE (Drakert): A Par-Bre; A Bur-Mun; F Spa(s.c.)-Por; F Lyo-Spa(s.c.).

GERMANY (Campbell): A Bel S ENGLISH F Eng-Pic; A Ruh-Mun; F Nth S A Bel; F Hol S F Nth; F Hel-Den.

ITALY (Ball): F Ion-Tun; F Rom-Tus; F Tyr-Lyo; F Mid-Por; A Tyr-Vie; A Tri S A Tyr-Vie.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Knapp): A Bud holds; A Vie S A Bud.

RUSSIA (Chafetz): A Pru-Ber; F Bla-Bul(e.c.); D Rum S F Bla-Bul(e.c.); F St.P(s.c.)-Bot; A Mos-St.P.

TURKEY (Hurley): A Alb-Gre; A Bul-Rum; A Ser S A Bul-Rum; F Aeg-Bul(s.c.); F Ank-Bla.

Underlined moves are not possible. Austria-Hungary must retreat A Vie-Gal, -Boh, or tyr, and Russia must retreat F Rüm-Sev, or either or both dislodged units may instead be removed. The orders for these units should be sent in with the "Winter 1904" orders, which may be made conditional upon them. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, Swe. (5)	ITALY: Nap, Por, Rom, Tri, Tun, Ven, Vie. (7)
FRANCE: Bre, Mar, Par, Spa. (4)	AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud. (1)
GERMANY: Bel, Den, Hol, Kie, Mun. (5)	RUSSIA: Ber, Mos, St.P, Sev, War. (5)
	TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Gre, Rum, Ser, Smy. (7)

Turkey may build two new units and Italy may build one; Russia also has a build if the dislodged unit was removed. Austria-Hungary must remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1904" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987.

MOSCOW: The Czars Northern Army in a frenzied some may call it rabid retreat hopes that the Kaiser will protect them in Berlin from the crazed Livonians.

SEVASTOPOL: The Czarina demands to know why a fleet is in the Black Sea. She demands that they return to land at once. If not she will cut of Admiral Rocksoff's pension.

LONDON to FRANCE and GERMANY: The Prime Minister of Health has asked are Queen to make a proclamation, that Belgium be declared a open country.

Because as of to date, in three year's of war 02,03,04. three army's of different nations have been annihilate in Belguim. And as he puts it, "This is a major health risk for such a small country."

All those dead, laying around rotting in the sun! Soon to be busting open, full of maggots and larva. Disease and Pestilence will soon run amok if something is not done. So we put it to France and Germany. Lets stop this war and make Belguim a open city state, and bury are dead.

GERMANY: Deutschland Dem Deutschen Volk!

VIENNA to WORLD: We are saddened to report the suicide of our Emporer last night upon hearing of the destruction of his beloved Army of the Balkans. A provisional government has been set up and is asking for terms of surrender from the invading powers. The Empire's remaining forces have been instructed to take no offensive action, and ask that their opponents do the same.

Thanks alot, I have enjoyed the game, but next time will not try such a difficult power as A-H.

PANDIN'S PARADOX

On 4 May 1971, Tony Pandin of Cleveland, Ohio, wrote me a letter about a little problem he'd discovered in trying to develop a computer program for refereeing Diplomacy. He sent in a set of moves and claimed that "there is no solution to this situation which is consistent with the basic rules of Diplomacy." Upon examining the moves, I found that he was perfectly correct - that this one flaw exists in the otherwise very well-written 1971 revision of the original 1959 rules - a revision which we are still using today. Mind you, I have never seen this situation arise in a real-life game, but the potentiality still exists.

These are the moves:

I. ENGLAND: A Wal-Bel; F Eng C A Wal-Bel; F Lon S F Eng.

FRANCE: F Mid-Eng; F Bre S F Mid-Eng.

GERMANY: F Hol-Nth; F Bel S F Hol-Nth.

RUSSIA: A Nwy-Lon; F Nth C A Nwy-Lon.

I published this situation on 17 July 1971 in GRAUSTARK #243, confirmed Pandin's judgment, and said that in the event of any such moves coming in, I would adjudicate that nobody moves, "not because such a judgment can be justified from the Rulebook...but, in a dubious case like this, I would feel that as little motion as possible would be the best resolution."

The paradox arises this way. England is attacking Belgium, but only if the convoy may be made. If we assume that the attack takes place, then the German F Bel cannot support F Hol-Nth. This means that the German F Hol-Nth cannot dislodge the Russian F Nth, so that the Russian convoyed attack A Nwy-Lon is valid. The Russian attack on London therefore cuts the support that England's F Lon gives to its F Eng. Therefore, France's moves dislodge the English F Eng, and the assumption that England's attack A Wal-Bel is valid leads us to the conclusion that it is not.

In, on the other hand, we assume that the English A Wal-Bel cannot be attacking Belgium, then Germany's F Hol-Nth, with support, succeeds. The Russian F Nth is dislodged, so Russia cannot be attacking London. The English F Lon then successfully supports F Eng, which is therefore able to make the convoy that we began by assuming was impossible.

Now several programs exist for adjudicating Diplomacy, and I ask that players who own such programs try them on the above set of moves. I am also sending a copy of this article to Eric Raymond, who reawakened my interest in this paradox by phoning me a couple of weeks ago and asking for information on an adjudication program that he is presently writing.

The 1971-73 discussion about Pandin's Paradox and related problems produced a number of other situations which you might try out on your Diplomacy adjudication programs. With underlined moves impossible, they are:

II. ENGLAND: A Edi-Hol; F Nth C A Edi-Hol; A Bel S A Edi-Hol; F Eng S F Nth.

GERMANY: F Hol-Nth; F Nwy S F Hol-Nth.

III. ENGLAND: A Lon-Bel; F Eng C A Lon-Bel; F Nth S A Lon-Bel.

FRANCE: F Bel-Eng; F Bre S F Bel-Eng.

IV. ENGLAND: F Lon S F Nth.

FRANCE: F Eng-Nth; F Bel S F Eng-Nth.

GERMANY: A Hol-Lon.

RUSSIA: F Nth C GERMAN A Hol-Lon; F Yor S GERMAN A Hol-Lon.

(This form of Pandin's Paradox was independently produced in 1974 by a British Diplomacy player, Clive E. Bach.)

V. ENGLAND: F Edi-Nth; F Yor S F Edi-Nth; A Lon-Bel; A Pic S A Lon-Bel; F Eng C A Lon-Bel.

GERMANY: F Nth C ENGLISH A Lon-Bel.

(By introducing a second, equally valid, convoy route, Germany has apparently stood off a supported attack with only one unit.) # 1435
Comments of readers with adjudication programs on their computers will be printed in future issues.

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RING AROUND THE CARPATHIANS

Following "Spring 1907" moves Italy retreated F Tyr-Rom.

ENGLAND (Ulman): F Nth-Eng; F Nwy-Nth; F Bal holds; A Hol-Ruh; A Ber-Sil; A Liv-S A; Mos; A Mos S GERMAN A Ukr.

FRANCE (Van De Graaf): A Tus-Ven; F Ves-Tyr; F Spa(sic)-Lyo; F Tyr-Ion; F Tun S F Tyr-Ion; A Mar holds; A Pie S A Tus-Ven.

GERMANY (Scensny): A Gal-Vie; A Ukr-Gal; A Boh S A Gal-Vie; A Tyr S FRENCH A Tus-Ven; A Kie-Ber.

ITALY (Bargender): F Lyo-Tus; F Rom & A Ven S F Lyo-Tus; A Tri-Tyr.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Botimer): A Vie-Bud.

TURKEY (H. Jordan): F Ion S ITALIAN F Nap((sic)); F Adr S ITALIAN A Ven; F Aeg S F Ion; F Bla S A Arm-Sev; A Bul-Ser; A Bud-Gal; A Rum S A Bud-Gal; A Sev-Ukr; A Arm-Sev.

Underlined moves are not possible. The French A Tus is dislodged and annihilated. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Edi, Hol, Liv, Lon, Mos, Nwy, St.P. (7)

FRANCE: Bel, Mar, Par, Por, Spa, Bre, Tun. (7)

GERMANY: Ber, Den, Kie, Mun, Swe, Vie, War. (7)

ITALY: Nap, Rom, Tri, Ven. (4)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud. (1)

TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Gre, Rum, Ser, Sev, Smy. (8)

Germany may build two new units and France may build one. Turkey must remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1907" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 12 JUNE 1987.

Several complicated adjudications have taken place in this season, and players with access to any of the computer adjudication programs mentioned on p. 11 might want to try the above orders on them. Particularly of interest are the way in which the Italian A Ven is able to support an attack into Tuscany though attacked from there, and the 3-way arrangement whereby the German A Gal-Vie, the Austro-Hungarian A Vie-Bud, and the Turkish A Bud-Gal all succeed.

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- () - If this space is checked, you are needed as a stand-by in game _____. See p. _____.
- () - If this space is checked, you will be dropped from game _____ if you miss the next move.
- () - An IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL move is due from you in _____.

FIRST CLASS MAIL



Playing in the new game? See p. 9.