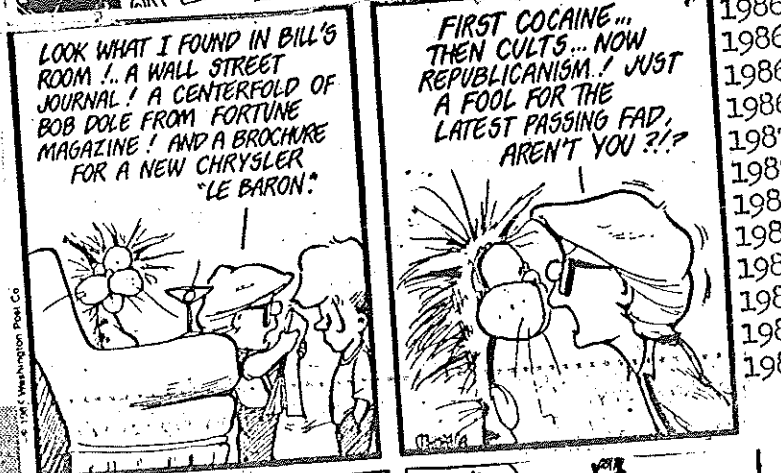
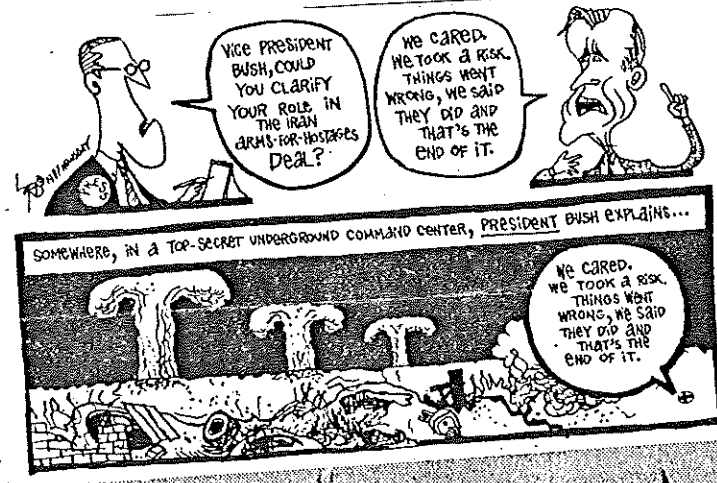
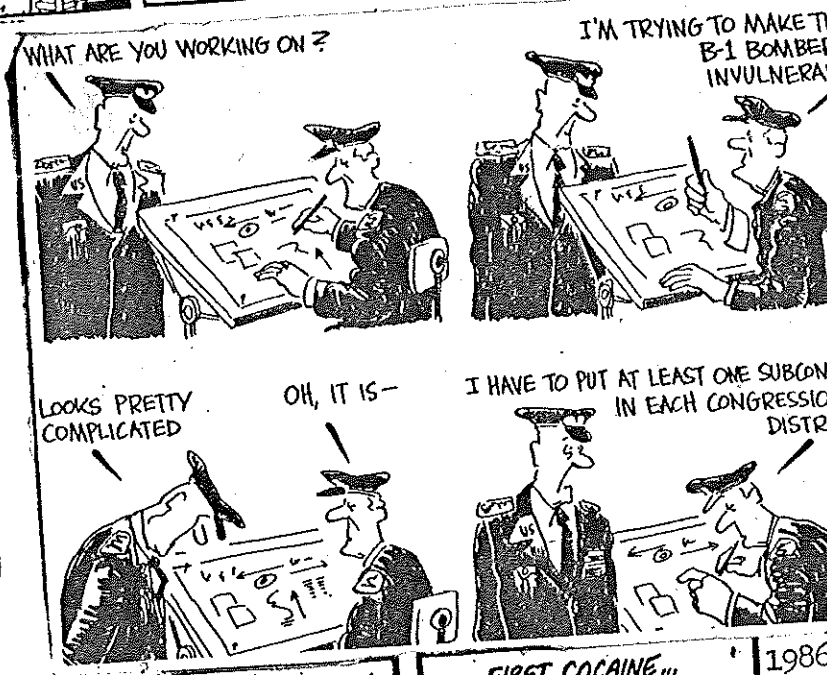
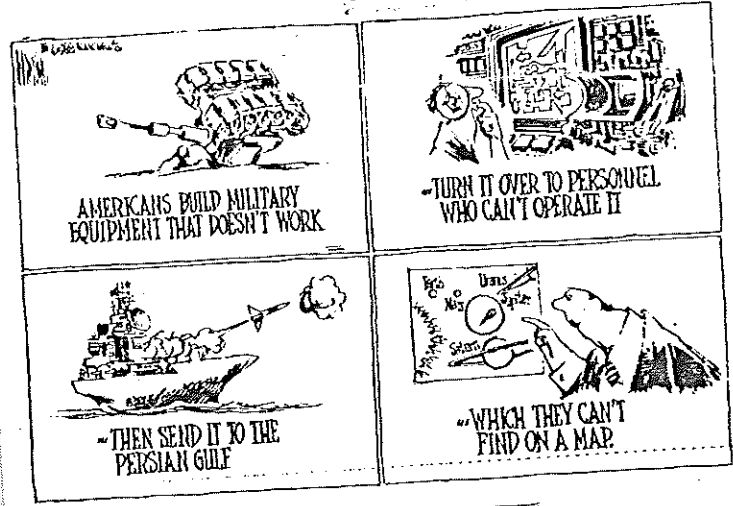


Nixon in Drug Treatment



Afghanistan Offensive

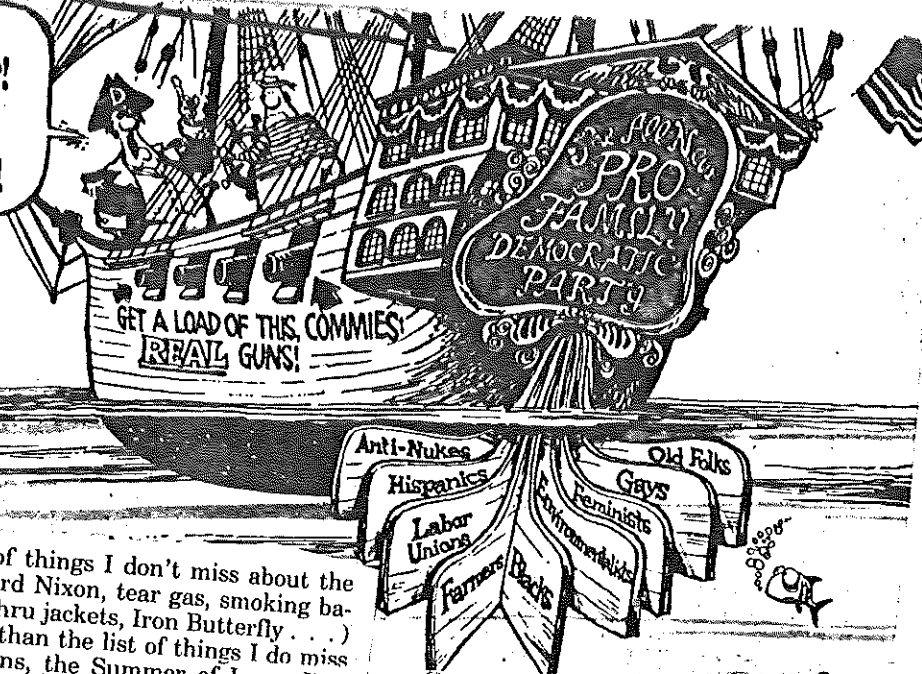


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POINT OF VIEW | Who's That Bozo in the Clown Suit?

IN HIS PUBLIC STATEMENTS on his year at the CIA (1976-77), George Bush has consistently indicated that he loved the job and felt he did it well. His colleagues at the time confirm his great enthusiasm for his agency work. Two officials recalled arriving at an important meeting in the summer of 1976 to find a man sitting in a chair off to the side of the main conference table. He had red hair, a prominent nose and thick glasses. This man they did not recognize rose and said, "Good afternoon." The voice was familiar but not the face. "I'm sweating under this thing," said the man, pulling off a well-fitting wig, false nose and glasses. It was Bush testing an agency disguise that someone had given him for his 52nd birthday on June 12. "He was like a little boy with a new toy," said one of the officials. — Bob Woodward and Walter Pincus in *The Washington Post*

THE LIST of things I don't miss about the '60s (Richard Nixon, tear gas, smoking bananas, Nehru jackets, Iron Butterfly . . .) is shorter than the list of things I do miss (Beatles, Be-Ins, the Summer of Love, Jimi Hendrix, the Merry Pranksters, the Fillmore East, real Bob Dylan, unsafe sex . . .) Nah, call me nostalgic. I've been called worse.

An American Tradition

I am at a loss as to what to make of the controversy surrounding the choice of Dan Quayle as the Republican vice presidential candidate. There seems to be some problem with Quayle's efforts to avoid the draft, first as a golf-playing undergraduate and later as a member of the Indiana National Guard. In my view, the practice of wealthy young men avoiding military service is one of the great traditions of American society. Starting with the Civil War, was it not respectable for the rich to avoid conscription by paying the poor to fight in their stead? When no replacements were available, suitable gratuity to the recruiter might suffice. Some might find Quayle's later militaristic philosophy somewhat of a contradiction in light of his earlier self-preservation. I can only refer to the shining example of the renowned financier and entrepreneur, J.P. Morgan, who, after sending someone to fight in his place during the Civil War, at the war selling munitions and supplies to the Union army. And, though some accused Morgan of selling defective equipment, no indictments were issued.

As soon as these somewhat obscure historical precedents are made public, I am sure that the courts will recognize Quayle's proper place as Republican Party candidate.

John Ziv
Brooklyn

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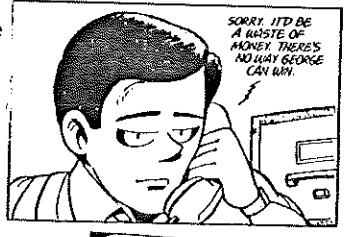


OH, WHAT THE HECK! IT'S ALL GOING TO COME OUT ANYWAY!

Any Advice?

By William Riley

Ivoted for Lyndon Johnson in 1964 because he said he'd keep us from getting bogged down in Vietnam. I voted for Richard Nixon in 1968 and 1972 because he said he'd restore respect for law and order. I voted for Jimmy Carter in 1976 because he said he knew how to manage the government efficiently. I voted for Ronald Reagan in 1980 because he said he'd balance the Federal budget and in 1984 because he said he'd never deal with terrorists. Now Michael Dukakis says he knows how to produce more jobs at good pay and George Bush says his experience will keep us out of trouble abroad. I'm not sure how I'm going to vote this time.



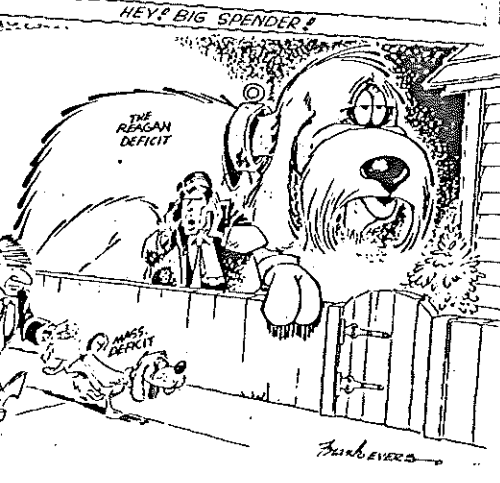
AMAZING TREATMENT FOR DAMAGED SKIN AND WRINKLES REVEALED!

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"I was simply amazed!" — Mr. Bush
"Golly!" — Mr. Bush

BEFORE AFTER



THE REALLY BIG CHILL

In many fields of activity, people are used to cyclical systems. Politics alternates between periods of liberal dominance and periods of conservative dominance. Literature alternates between works labeled "romantic" and works labeled "classical". Heredity and environment compete, with varying success, as explanations for human motivation.

It doesn't work that way in the sciences. Progress there is not cyclical, but linear. Evolution, nuclear energy, and genetic engineering cannot be un-discovered, or reversed by reactions against them. However, people outside the sciences seem not to be aware of this distinction. I realized this a few months ago while speaking with a man who has an excellent background in business and politics, but is not particularly knowledgeable in the sciences. He mentioned the disclosures about nuclear winter that first began to come to public attention in late 1983, and expressed relief that this scare tactic had faded from the pages of the popular press.

That's not how science works. When Pluto was discovered in 1930, great interest in it, and enthusiasm for astronomy in general, appeared in the media. You don't hear much from those sources about Pluto lately, but it's still there.

The idea that a nuclear war might cause major changes in the Earth's climate, and that these changes would have drastic effects on life on this planet, was first called "nuclear winter" by Richard P. Turco, one of five scientists who developed the model, and presented it to the Conference on the World after Nuclear War, held in October 1983. (The others were O. Brian Toom, Thomas P. Ackerman, James B. Pollack, and Carl Sagan, and from their initials this is called the "TTAPS Model".) For the first time, these atmospheric scientists studied the effects of the billions of tons of dust, soot, and ash, that would be blown into the atmosphere by the burning of cities, forests, and grasslands as the result of nuclear weapons.

The TTAPS model depended on a computer program designed to determine the effect of introducing such pollutants on a large scale into the circulatory pattern of the Earth's atmosphere. You may find the details, written in simple, non-technical language, in Gene B. Williams' book Nuclear War, Nuclear Winter (Impact Books, Franklin Watts, 1987) This book of 103 pages of text is necessarily brief, but its bibliography includes several books that go into greater detail.

Prior to publication of the TTAPS model, it had been assumed that the full-scale, all-out mutual attack of nuclear missiles by the United States and the Soviet Union would be a sort of large-scale repeat of the aerial bombing of World War II, with the survivors creeping out of their shelters to rebuild as Europe was rebuilt after 1945. This is the sort of thing most of us were used to thinking of as "World War III". The TTAPS model had over 95% of the sunlight blocked off, causing the temperature to drop well below freezing. Most plants would be killed, and the animals dependent upon them would also die. Comparisons were made with models of the catastrophe that exterminated the dinosaurs some 65,000,000 years ago, caused presumably by a comet or asteroid striking the Earth.

Coincidentally, ABC televised a program called The Day After, some three or four weeks after the TTAPS study was made public. This dramatization of the effects of a nuclear war lagged well behind the reality. Despite an excellent dramatic presentation, ABC had the world getting off far too easily from such a war, compared to what the TTAPS study was showing.

(Incredibly, the pro-war lobby reacted with high indignation to The Day After. They eventually dragooned ABC into presenting an entire one-week 'miniseries' called Amerika, which moaned about how bad things would be under a joint occupation of the United States by the Soviet Union and the United Nations. ABC did not give us any evidence that the Soviet Union intends to conquer the United States. However, they can be forgiven for this, since no such evidence exists. After high ratings produced by curiosity on the first night, Amerika sank without a trace.)

And what did the TTAPS model present as the best possible scenario after a nuclear war? A 10,000 megaton attack - well under the capability of the world's present nuclear stockpiles - ~~would~~ reduce the sun's level to less than 1% of what it is now,

and keep it there for over a year. In the first week, temperatures could fall by 10°C (18°F). After a month had gone by, temperatures could be as much as 40 or 50°C (72 or 90°F) below normal. And they would stay that way for a year. Photosynthesis in plants would be unable to function if as little as 15% of the sunlight were cut off, a thing that could happen in a "mere" 100 megaton war.

Worse would follow. Inland bodies of water could have as much as two meters of ice covering them. Animals that survived the other effects could die of thirst. The oceans would remain warmer than the continents - which means that powerful on-shore winds would blow, preventing ships to put to sea for fishing. Available food stocks might be contaminated by radiation. Distribution of fossil fuels would cease to exist, and farming in many parts of the world could not feed the population unless gasoline-operated machinery were used. Insects are much less affected by radiation and extremes of temperature than are their predators, so they would get the biggest part of any crops that anyone could raise. The extermination of the human species becomes a serious possibility under this scenario, and the extermination of all higher forms of life is not to be ruled out.

Faced with this evidence, the war-lovers have virtually panicked. Some of them, perhaps with more scientific training, have endorsed the conclusions of the TTAPS study - and then gone right ahead with planning nuclear war. Some have agreed with TTAPS, but gone on to say that the "defense" system variously called "Star Wars", "Peace Shield", or "SDI" will protect us from this danger. Williams has a few pages about "Star Wars" which refute this notion. Some war-lovers have attacked the study itself - the model is flawed, the nuclear exchange would not involve so many megatons, the scientists have found what they wanted to find. Williams also takes up these objections, and describes past and future refinements of the original TTAPS model which could give us a better idea of what could happen.

But let us suppose that the whole TTAPS model is a gigantic hoax, perpetrated by Pacifist scientists to scare humanity out of the action of a nuclear war. Then what are we faced with? The answer was given by a 1979 study by the Office of Technology Assessment. "Up to 73% of the American population could die as the immediate result of a nuclear war. This study does not take into account the deaths occurring after the holocaust, even from such 'normal' problems as radiation, lack of medical care, and war-related serious injuries." A pre-TTAPS study by the World Health Organization estimated that 1,000,000,000 people would die as the immediate effect of a large-scale nuclear war. Another 1,000,000,000 would die from such side-effects as radiation, epidemic disease, or starvation. This is the "best-case" scenario that is being given to us by people who believe that the nuclear winter studies are incorrect. The only appropriate response to such people is to spit in their faces.

On the heels of Williams' book comes one which shows the readiness of the U. S. government to consider the use of nuclear weapons. It is To Win a Nuclear War, by Michio Kaku and Daniel Axelrod, who are both physicists. (South End Press, 1987) Ever since 1945, it seems that high American officials have been considering nuclear war as an acceptable alternative in dealing with the Soviet Union, or with "third world" wars. These are not dubiously authenticated quotations from fringe maniacs like Phyllis Schlafly or T. K. "With Enough Shovels" Jones. Presidents of the United States, and members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, are here quoted (sometimes in their own memoirs!) as advocating the use of nuclear weapons in Europe, in China, in Korea, in Vietnam, and sometimes by first-strike attacks on the Soviet Union itself. The most frightening was "Operation Duck Hook", President Nixon's plan to escalate the Vietnam war in November 1969 unless the Vietnamese gave in to his ultimatum. As quotations from Nixon Administration documents themselves indicate, this was planned to be a nuclear escalation. But as the deadline drew near, and the anti-war movement grew in strength, President Nixon realized that such a nuclear escalation would not be tolerated by the American people. He reluctantly abandoned it - and a good thing, too. I recall the temper of the public at that time. If President Nixon had used nuclear terror in Vietnam, the American people would have stormed the White House, dragged him out of it, and stomped him to death, and the day on which it happened would still be celebrated as a national holiday.

NEW GAME BEGINS

The following people have sent in their entries for a new game:

ENGLAND: Tom Nash, 5512 Pilgrim Rd., Baltimore, Md. 21214
 FRANCE: Jeremy Singer, 100 Concord Ave., Glen Rock, N. J. 07452
 GERMANY: Donald M. Norman, Apt. 501, 16300 Ledge Lane, Dallas, Texas 75248
 ITALY: James R. Brackin, B-1, 355 N. York Rd., Willow Grove, Penn. 19090; 215-659-3253
 AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Karl Hoffman, Box 1613, Seegers Union, Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Penn. 18104.
 RUSSIA: Scott Skellie, #2706, 16302 El Camino Real, Houston, Texas 77062-5213; 713-280-0081
 TURKEY: John Brennick, 47 Breakwater Dr., Chelsea, Mass. 02150-4024; 617-889-0602

The deadline for "Spring 1901" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER 1988. This will give players ample time for the initial negotiations. Steven Heinowski is asked to assign a Boardman Number for this game. Until then, it will simply be called "the New Game". With luck, the Boardman Number for this game will be published in GRAUSTARK #557, four weeks from today. Players should thenceforth use it in their correspondence with one another and with the gamesmaster.

New postal Diplomacy games are still open. The game fee is \$25, which includes a subscription as long as the game lasts. If you do not have a copy of the postal rules for Diplomacy, write for a set. Subscriptions to GRAUSTARK for non-players are 12 issues for \$10. Back issues from the beginning of 1987 are 10 for \$3. At the beginning of 1989, all issues prior to the beginning of 1988 will be thrown out, so get your order in quickly.

1986AM

"Fall 1910"

HALT! WHO DOESN'T GO THERE?

FRANCE (Parents): F Wal-Tri; A Tus-Pic; A Pie-Mar((sic; no such unit exists)); F Mid-Nat; F Nap-Tyr; F Apu-Ion; F Naf-Mid; A Ven S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Tyr; F Ion-Tun; F Eng-Wal; A Pic not ordered, holds..

GERMANY (Austin): No moves received. F Liverpool, A Yor, A Lon, F Nth, F Hol, F Bel, A Mar, ARuh, A Mun, A Sil, A War & A Mos hold; A Ukr dislodged and annihilated.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Ball): A Tyr-Tri; A Boh-Sil; A Gal-Ukr; A Rum S A Gal-Ukr.

TURKEY (Skellie): F Tri-Adr; A Gre-Bul; F Aeg-Gre; F Eas-Ion; F Bla S A Sev; A Sev S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Rum-Ukr; A Con-Nwy((sic; no such unit exists)).

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

FRANCE: Bre, Nap, Par, Por, Rom, Spa, Tun, Veh. (8)

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Den, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Mar, Mos, Mun, Nwy, St.P, Swe, War. (15)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Rum, Ser; Tri, Vie. (5)

TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Gre, Sev, Smy. (6)

Germany may build two units and Austria-Hungary may build one; a third German build is not possible because no home supply center is available for it. France must remove two units. The deadline for these "Winter 1910" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988. Stand-by moves for Germany should be sent in by Anthony Brooks, 789 Forsythe Terrace, Severna Park, Md. 21146; 301-647-6851. For Warren Fall's new address see the report of 1986AV on page 6.

1986HI

"Spring 1909"

RUSSIANS TAKE BUDAPEST - BRIEFLY

ENGLAND (Chang): F Eng-Mid; F Bre S F Eng-Mid; F Lon-Eng; F Hol-Bel; A Den-Swe;
F Nwy S A Den-Swe; F Hel-Nth.

GERMANY (Quirk): A Bel S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Kie-Hol.

ITALY (Hollander): F Adr S TURKISH F Gre-Alb; F Wes-Mid; A Spa-Mar; A Par-Bre; F Rom-Tus; A Nap-Rom; F Apu-Ven.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Rigley): A Ber-Sil; A Kie-Ber; A Pie-Mar; A Ven-Rom; A Tri-Alb;
A Ser-Bul; A Bud-Rum; A Vie-Gal.

RUSSIA (Kwiatkowski): A Swe-Nwy; A St.P S A Swe-Nwy; A War-Pru; A Gal-Buĉ; A Rum S A Gal-Bud; A Sev-Ukr.

TURKEY (M. Brennick): F Tyr-Ion; F Gre-Alb; A Con-Gre; F Aeg C A Con-Gre; A Bul-Ser.

Underlined moves are not possible. Austri-Hungary retreats A Bud-Vie, and England must retreat F Nwy-Par, -Nrg, or -Ska. The direction of this English retreat should be sent in by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL so that it arrives by FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER 1988; the gamesmaster will send it on to the Russian player. The deadline for "Fall 1909" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988.

VISHVA: ~~THE~~ great leader Hogwash the first, overlord of Germany, one time saint protector of Italy, forgotten lord of the Balkins. Calls out to the people of Austria, to help defend their home lsnf. Theirs: turks to the South, Wop to the west, and who knows what to the North.

Are only hope rest in the English fleet, Sailing in to save the day, Lik Mighty House.

1986CW

"Winter 1909"

Following "Fall 1909" moves England retreated A Bur-Mar. This makes Marseilles an English supply center. England has two builds and Italy has a removal.

ENGLAND (Harkin): Builds F Lon, A Liv. ITALY (Tucker): Removes F Ion.

GERMANY (Kandara): Removes A Kie. ~~ANDY (Schnee)~~: Builds F Smy.

The deadline for "Spring 1910" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988. John Kandara's new address is 601-C Sullivan, P. O. Box 16155, NCSU, Raleigh, N. C. 27607. The vote for a draw fails of unanimity, and will not be re-submitted until the situation cllars.

VATERLAND zu Alle: We shall never surrender! Germany votes "No" to a draw!

JOHN to everyone: Who keeps submitting these proposals for a draw?

JOHN to STEVE and ANDY: Hey guys! Any room for another displaced government? Of course, I could always go to the Ducht of Grand Fenwick. Hmmm...

1986AV

"Winter 1910"

In the "Fall 1910" moves the English "A Pie-Ven" should have been underlined as failing. The Italian A Tyr and F Apu were not dislodged, and hold their positions. There were also misprints in the Italian move "F Tyr-NAF" and in the Turkish "A Sev-Los".. Warren K. Ball's new address is 3919 Sevilla St., Tampa, Fla. 33629; 813-832-3705.

ENGLAND (Rigley): Builds A Lon, A Edi, A Liv.

ITALY (Ball): Removes F Rom, A Tyr, F Apu.

TURKEY (Hurley): Builds F Smy, A Con.

The deadline for "Spring 1911" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988.

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NOTICE: Crocodile Dundee is now available on VHS videotape. Be sure to get your copy before President Bush is inaugurated. Afterwards it may be impossible. And there may not even be an American Civil Liberties Union to help.

1987CX

"Spring 1906"

CAPITALS OF FRANCE AND HUNGARY FALL

ENGLAND (Mason): A Bre S GERMAN A Pic-Par; F Iri-Mid; F Eng S F Iri-Mid; F Liv-Nat; F Nth & F Swe hold.

FRANCE (Stewart): F Mid-Nat; F Por-Mid; A Spa-Gas; A Par S A Spa-Gas.

GERMANY (Stone): A Pie-Mar; A Bur S A Pie-Mar; A Pic-Par; A Mun-Boh; A Ruh-Mun; A Sil S A Mun-Boh; F Den holds.

ITALY (Tucker): F Tyr-Lyo; F Rom-Tyr; A Nap-Rom; A Tri S TURKISH A Rum-Bud.

RUSSIA (Grasse): A Bud-Rum; A Gal-Vie; A War-Gal; A Mos-Sev; A Ukr S A Mos-Sev.

TURKEY (Rigley): A Apu-Ven; F Adr S A Apu-Ven; A Rum-Bud; A Ser S A Rum-Bud; A Con-Rum; F Bla C A Con-Rum; A Sev S A Con-Rum; A Arm S A Sev.

Underlined moves are not possible. The French A Par and Russian A Bus are dislodged and annihilated, and by pre-condition France retreats F Mid-Spa(s.c.). Press releases are postponed to the next issue. Mike Mason's new address was misprinted in the last issue; it is on "16th Ave.", not "16th St.". The deadline for "Fall 1906" moves is ~~NOON~~, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988.

1987HR

"Fall 1905"

TEN DOTS CHANGE HANDS

Retreats following "Spring 1905" moves are:

FRANCE: F Spa(s.c.)-~~Des~~.

ITALY: A Mar-Pie; removed.

GERMANY: A Tyr-Pie; removed.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: A Gal-Rum.

All players were informed.

ENGLAND (Hollander): F Spa(s.c.) S ITALIAN F Lyo-Mar; F Edi holds.

FRANCE (Lilleleht): F Wes-Spa(s.c.); A Gas S F Wes-Spa(s.c.); A Mar-Pie; A Bur-Mar.

GERMANY (Chafetz): A Sil-Mun; A Swe-Nwy; A Den-Swe; A Bel-Hol; F Lon "takes shore leave".

ITALY (Drakert): F Lyo S ENGLISH F Spa(s.c.); A Pie-Mar((sic; no such unit exists)); F Tyr-Wes; F Mon-Tun; A Ven-Tyr; A Smy-Ank; F Con S A Smy-Ank; F Aeg S F Con.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Brooker): A Tyr-Mun; A Vie-Bud; A Ser-Bud; A Rum holds; F Bul(s.c.) S A Rum((sic)).

RUSSIA (H. Jordan): F Cly-Liv; F Nwy-Swe; A War-Sil; F Nth-Hol; A Gal-Rum; A Ukr S A Gal-Rum.

TURKEY (P. Martin): A Arm-Smy; F Ank-Con; F Bla S F Ank-Con.

Underlined moves are not possible. Austria-Hungary retreats A Rum-Sev and Turkey retreats F Ank-Arm. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Edi, Spa. (2)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Bul, Ser, Sev,

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

Tri, Vie. (6)

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Lon, Mun, Swe. (8)

RUSSIA: Liv, Mos, Nwy, Rum, St.P, War. (6)

ITALY: Ank, Con, Gre, Nap, Rom, Tun, Ven. (7)

TURKEY: Smy. (1)

Germany may build three new units and Austria-Hungary may build one. Turkey must remove two units. These "Winter 1905" orders should be sent in by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL

so that they arrive by FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER 1988. The deadline for "Spring 1906" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988. Press releases are postponed to the next issue.

1987AD

"Fall 1908"

FIRST POWER OUT AFTER EIGHT YEARS

ENGLAND (Gaughan): F Lyo-Tyr; F Wes & F Tun S F Lyo-Tyr; F Naf S F Tun; F Spa(s.c.)-Lyo; F Por-Spa(s.c.); A St.P-Mos; F Nwy-Nth.

FRANCE (Sims): A Ven-Tri.

GERMANY (Lange): A Mun-Boh; A Pru-War; A Liv & A Sil S A Pru-War; A Mar-Pie; A Gas-Mar; A Kie-Ber; A Ruh-Mun; F Bal not ordered, holds.

ITALY (Currie): No move received. F Apu dislodged and annihilated.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Gibson): F Gre S TURKISH F Aeg-Ion; A Rom-Ven; A Pie S A Rom-Ven; A Tus S A Pie; A Gal S RUSSIAN A War; A Tyr S A Boh; A Boh S A Gal.

RUSSIA (Schwartz): A War S A Mos; A Mos S A War.

TURKEY (Verheiden): F Ion-Apu; F Nap S F Ion-Apu; F Aeg-Ion; A Sev S RUSSIAN A Mos.

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

ENGLAND: Bre, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, Por, St.P, Spa, Tun. (9)

FRANCE: Tri. (1)

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mar, Mun, Par, Swe, War. (10)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Bul, Gre, Rom, Rum, Ser, Ven, Vie. (8)

RUSSIA: Mos. (1)

TURKEY: Ank, Con, Nap, Sev, Smy. (5)

Germany, Austria-Hungary, England, and Turkey may each build one new unit, and Russia must remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1908" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988. The vote for a draw fails of unanimity and will not be resubmitted to the players at this time. Major Lange writes that he has a temporary change of address. Until 26 October write to him at: Major Stuart Lange, 324-44-7672, 118 TCF, Exercise Tactical Fighter Weaponry 1988, Bovbjerg Lighthouse, Ferring, DK-7620 Lemvig, Denmark. This is presumably some NATO mishigoss, during which he may learn that Denmark stays in NATO only because its participation has been weakened by pressure of the anti-war parties on the government, to the point where the country retains bare membership and little else. (Similar situations exist in France and Iceland, and possibly Norway as well.) Letters to him should go airmail (45¢ per ounce) and five days should be allowed for them to reach him.

A press release is postponed to the next issue.

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There was a mistaken adjudication in the last issue, over the French attack on Spain. The French "A Mar-Spa" was supported from Gascony and so it succeeded, and Italy must retreat F Spa(s.c.)-Lyo or -Wes. Since the F Spa was dislodged, it cannot support the Italian A Pie-Mar, and so this is stood off by the French A Bur-Mar. Spain is therefore a French rather than an Italian supply center. The deadline for the "Winter 1905" moves has been re-set to NOON, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988, and they may be made conditional upon the direction of the Italian retreat. Italy, Germany, and Russia may each build one unit, and England must remove one. Turkey must remove two. One press release is postponed to the next issue.

LONDON to MOSCOW: The new regime will gladly cooperate with your desire to cease hostilities. Please send details.

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

For the past six months, every one of my publications has carried the following statement, which was published after a team of New York Daily News reporters interviewed Michael Dukakis about a week before this state's presidential primary.

"Dukakis, frankly but casually, said he would use nuclear weapons first in Europe." - New York Daily News, 12 April 1988

At the Democratic National Convention, Dukakis proved that this was not just a casual and thoughtless remark. The supporters of Jesse Jackson tried to put into the Democratic Platform a pledge that the U. S. should not be the first to use nuclear weapons. Dukakis tightly organized his delegates and got this pledge voted down. First use of nuclear weapons in any future war is thus not just a private aberration of one politician, but the official policy of the Democratic Party.

(As for Jackson, he once nodded politely to a crackpot preacher named Farrakhan, and shot off his mouth ~~once~~ four years ago about New York City. These, apparently, are faults that far exceed in importance a mere thermonuclear war.)

I have not voted since 1972, and I see no particular reason to demean myself this year by blandly accepting one of the two twerps who are being presented for our approval. But, if you have a compulsion on Novembers of even-numbered years to walk into a booth and pull levers, I suggest that you vote for George Herbert Hoover - er - Walker Bush. For one thing, he is a real Republican running against an imitation one, so you will be striking a blow for proper product labelling and consumer rights. For another, we may stand a chance of surviving the next four years if he is elected. Mind you, he will make several highly unsuitable appointments to the Supreme Court, severely curtail our highly valued civil liberties, and double the numbers of the homeless. But with him in the White House, there is a fair chance that most of us will live to see 1992.

Recently, I have heard that some Democrats in Washington are circulating buttons which read "President Quayle". These buttons are supposed to scare us. However, if you are already scared by the Nuclear Duke, the chances of putting that twerp fro Indiana into the White House look by comparison like a good idea.

Besides, once Quayle managed to keep himself out of war. Maybe he could keep all of us out of a war.

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Simon Billenness, Apt. 6-F, 630 Victory Blvd., Staten Island, N. Y. 10301, is circulating the ballots for the Rusty Bolt Awards. Unfortunately, the official voting forms have not yet been prepared, so you should just send in your own replies. This is one of those transferable vote methods, wherein you list your votes in order of preference, so for a complete list you should write Simon.

This is the first openly corrupt poll - a distinction that Brux Linsey might have had with his "Runestone Poll" if he had been an honest man. You can purchase extra votes if you wish - something like science-fiction fandom's Hogu awards.

My own recommendations are:

1. Rampant Misspelling. No question here - Herb Barents gets it for both flagrancancy and long service.
2. Player You Would Most Like to Stab. Forget minor exasperations you may have with Jack McHugh; we're in serious company here. I'd put Linsey first, and give second place to Russ "Drunken Driving is a Civil Liberty" Rusnak.
3. Odd Couple (Strangest Collaboration): Robert Sacks and Julie Martin win it going away. (If Julie turned it all on full blast, Robert would evaporate.)
4. Worst Named Zine. What are Kainna and Politesse doing here, or am I the only ones who recognize those names? The Cream Shall Rise wins it for inanity.

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"Fall 1907"

AUSTRIAN TROOPS ENTER BERLIN

ENGLAND (D. Martin): F Eng-Mid; F Iri S F Eng-Mid; F Nth-Den; F Swe S F Nth-Den; F St.P(n.c.) holds; A Fin S F St.P(n.c.).

FRANCE (Grasse): A Bur-Par.

GERMANY (Hetland): A Bre-Par; A Hol-Del; A Ruh holds; F Kie-Den; A Dan-Swe.
(A Den dislodged and annihilated.)

ITALY (Fader): F Ion-Tun; F Rom-Tyr; F Spa(s.c.)-Lyo; A Ven & A Mar hold; A Apu S A Ven; F Mid holds.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Stewart): F Con-Aeg; A Arm-Sev; A Pru-Ber; A Mun & A Sil S A Pru-Ber; A War-Pru; A Tyr & A Boh S A Mun; F Tyr-Tun; A Tri, A Livonia & A Mos hold.

RUSSIA (P. Martin): F Aeg-Gre.

Underlined moves are not possible. Italy must retreat F Mid-Nat, Spa(s.c.), -Spa(n.c.), -Gas, -Por, -Wes, or -NAf. The direction of this retreat should be sent in with the "Winter 1907" orders, which may be made conditional upon it. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Den, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, St.P,	ITALY: Mar, Nap, Por, Rom, Spa, Tun, Ven. (7)
Sve. (7)	AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Ank, Ber, Bud, Bul,
FRANCE: Par. (1)	Mos, Mun, Rum, Ser, Sev, Smy, Tri, Vie,
GERMANY: Bel, Bre, Hol, Kie. (4)	War. (13)
	RUSSIA: Con, Gre. (2)

England and Austria-Hungary may each build one unit; Italy also has a build if the dislodged F Mid is removed. Russia does not have a home supply center available for a build. The deadline for these "Winter 1907" builds is NOON, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988. Press releases are postponed to the next issue.

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"Fall 1904"

ENGLISH TAKE RUSSIAN CAPITAL

ENGLAND (Ferder): A Nwy-St.P; F Bar & F Bot S A Nwy-St.P; A Den-Pru; F Bal C A Den-Pru; A Lon-Den; F Nth C A Lon-Den; A Ber S FRENCH A Bur-Mun; A Sil-Gal.

FRANCE (Wilson): A Bur-Mun; F Lyo-Tus; F Tyr S F Lyo-Tus; F Wes-Tun; F Mid-Wes; A Tus-Ven; A Pie S A Tus-Ven; A Boh S ENGLISH A Sil-Gal.

GERMANY (Taylor): No move received. A Tyr holds.

ITALY (Gabel): F Rom S F Nap; F Nap S F Rom; A Ven holds;

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Meldrum): A Ser holds; A Gal-Vie; A Tri S ITALIAN A Ven; F Ion-Tun.

RUSSIA (Dickerson): A Mos holds; A Liv-War; A Rum-Bul; F Con-Smy.

TURKEY (Quirk): A Ukr-Rum; A Gre holds; F Aeg S A Gre; F Eas-Ion.

Underlined moves are not possible. The vote for a draw fails of unanimity and will not be resubmitted. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Ber, Den, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv,	ITALY: Nap, Rom, Ven. (3)
Lon, Nwy, St.P, Swe. (10)	AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Ser, Tri, Vie. (4)
FRANCE: Bel, Bre, Mar, Mun, Par, Por,	RUSSIA: Ank, Bul, Mos, Smy, War. (5)
Spa, Tun. (8)	TURKEY: Con, Gre, Rum, Sev. (4)

England may build one new unit; Russia would also have a build except that no home supply center is available. The last German unit is removed. The English build should be sent in by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL, so that it arrives by FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER 1988. All players will be informed. The deadline for "Spring 1905" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988. Ron Meldrum is now playing Austria-Hungary.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY to The-Only-One-Who-WROTE-ME: I like your proposal. Sorry I didn't get back to you. There's always Spring 1905.

1988AA

"Fall 1902"

FUEL OF SOUND AND FURY

The Austro-Hungarian move printed in the last issue as "A Vie-Boh" should actually have been "A Vie S A Boh". All players were informed.

ENGLAND (Pagano): A Bel-Yor; F Nth C A Bel-Yor; F Nrg-Nwy; F Ska S F Nrg-Nwy; F Lon-Wal.

FRANCE (Hetland): A Gas-Mar; A Mar-Bur; F Mid-Iri; F Bre-Eng; A Pic-Bel.

GERMANY (Rigley): A Ruh & A Hol S FRENCH A Pic-Bel; A Den holds; F Hel-Nth; F Swe-Ska.

ITALY (Mayo): F Ion-Tun; A Pie-Mar; A Ven-Pie.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Schembari): A Ser-Bul; F Gre S A Ser-Bul; A Tri-Ser; A Bud-Tri; A Vie-Tri.

RUSSIA (Rosen): A St.P S F Nwy; F Nwy S GERMAN F Swe-Ska; A Rum S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Ser-Bul; A Sev-Ank; F Bla C A Sev-Ank; A Arm S A Sev-Ank.

TURKEY (Snow): A Bul-Smy; F Aeg C A Bul-Smy; F Eas S A Bul-Smy; A Con-Ank.

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

ENGLAND: Ed1, Liv, Lon. (3)

FRANCE: Bel, Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa.

(6)

GERMANY: Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mun, Swe.

(6)

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

France, Italy, Germany, Russia, and Austria-Hungary may each build one unit, and Turkey and England must each remove two. The deadline for these "Winter 1902" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988. Press releases are postponed to the next issue. Chris Pagano's new address is apt. 21, 1218 Main St., Coventry, Conn. 06238; 203-742-9050. I misprinted Paul Schembari's phone numbers in a previous issue; his home number is 315-424-7841 and his work number is 315-443-1585.

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"Winter 1901"

One of the Austro-Hungarian moves was misprinted as "A Vie-Gal" in the last issue. It should have been "A Vie-Boh", and succeeded. All players were informed.

ENGLAND (Logue): Builds F Lon, A Edi.

FRANCE (London): Builds F Mar, A Par.

GERMANY (Hawes): Builds A Ber.

ITALY (Austin): No build received.

The deadline for "Spring 1902" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 1988. Stand-by moves for Italy should be sent in by David V. A. A. Kohburn, #4, 215 St. Johns St., Arden, N. C. 28704; 704-684-2954. Press releases have been postponed until the next issue.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Drakert): Builds A Bud, A Vie.

RUSSIA (Henry): Builds A Sev, A War.

TURKEY (Mayo): Builds F Smy.

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY (continued from p. 9)

5. Least Accurate Hobby Observation: Linsey again. Bruce Geryk's remark is a rather unexceptional and pedestrian observation, not inaccurate at all.
6. Stupidest Hobby Craze? Polls & Awards, of course.
7. No award. "The Most Unreasonably Delayed 'Zine" is such a common category that it is hard to pick one from among these.
8. Most Boring Subject of Correspondence has to be Bruzletters. However, since they aren't on the ballot, I will opt for Vegetarianism, followed closely by Bush & Dukakis, and by Polls.
9. Marycon wins it again as Non-Event of the Year.
10. Upstart of the Year ought to be Rod Walker, unless "François Cuerrier" is a misprint for Chris Carrier. (He once assured me that he is not descended from Jean-Baptiste Carrier, but I am not convinced.)
11. Microwave Award for the Most Reheated Feud has got to be Walker vs. Sacks. "The Hobby Establishment" vs. Robert Sacks can't be it, because the former doesn't exist and I sometimes have my doubts about the latter.
12. "True Confession Award for the Juiciest Admission in a Zine" should'nt go to any of these, but to the claim of the septuagenarian Curtis Gibson that he is a virgin. Failing that, I'd give it to Chris Carrier.
13. "Fake of the Year" goes to Linsey - not for House of Lords #14, but for himself.
14. "True Hobby Peon"? My response is "Peon Linsey." Robert Sacks is a close second.
15. "The Blunt Instrument Award for the Most Eagerly Awaited Fold" has Diplomacy World and Diplomacy Digest in a tie, narrowly ahead of Pontevedria.

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