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(See old and New Lichess cases)

Fall 1987

VERMILIAN TEMPORALY TAKE OVER FOR SYSTEM
BY WALTER HOESLER

A set surrendered here
A brief career of chess
and French and Dutch.

It's beginning to clear
We all dedicated to
success.

1. SIEGE 2. F ALB-QUE, 3. K F ALB-QUE, 4. KQUE,

5. KQUE-K 6. K QUE-K, 7. QUE-K, 8. QUE-K (KQUE-K)

9. KQUE-K 10. QUE-K, 11. QUE-K, 12. QUE-K (QUE-K)

13. QUE-K 14. QUE-K, 15. QUE-K, 16. QUE-K (QUE-K)

17. QUE-K 18. QUE-K, 19. QUE-K, 20. QUE-K (QUE-K)

21. QUE-K 22. QUE-K, 23. QUE-K, 24. QUE-K (QUE-K)

25. QUE-K 26. QUE-K, 27. QUE-K, 28. QUE-K (QUE-K)

The next shifting step
It's beginning to step
forward to take

Temporary to take over
Foolish day tomorrow
6.1. hand.

ANALYSIS (Spring/Fall 1901): Doing better than I did SW Germany, British Standardized, & (30) countries are located. (Due to the USIS the spring analysis anticipated too late for no countries in Peru/Scandinavia.)

Spring 1901: I don't really know my idea of what is going to happen in the spring season of play. However, just for fun of it and without knowing anything of the diplomacy that has been conducted, I will make a preliminary analysis of what the players may be trying in Spring 1901.

Probably the two keys to take game are Lakefka as Italy and Calhauer as Turkey. I trust that Lakefka will attack Rocamora (France) as this will put him within Lienau's sphere of influence--and knowing the two I doubt that they will try working together. At the same time, if Lakefka tries the eastern attack, he comes into Calhauer's sphere. Calhauer approaches the same situation from the opposite side. Thus, what Lakefka has as options depends on the diplomatic sight of Calhauer and where Calhauer has best chances lie.

In the west, Kirsan should have the influence to pick his ally free of either Rocamora or bytwerk. And then there is the question of whether or not Rocamora, bytwerk, and/or Rosamilia want to go with an anti-Kirsan alliance at the start of the game.

In the south, Ugo should be able to work with the African powers. All of the major and Rosamilia get together to go west, and will have the choice of siding with one or the other. This is, of course, unless Lakefka wants to quickly become a local power.

With all of this in mind, it is my guess (and only that) that the following will happen with some of this spring. Kirsan (England) will move his fleet into northern waters away from Rocamora (France). Rocamora and bytwerk (Germany) will be consider consolidating neutral centers. Lakefka (Italy) will play things pretty safe by setting up the convoy to Tunis for the fall. Calhauer (Turkey) will attack northward while east of the straits will go for Serbia and Greece. Rosamilia (Russia) will try to push to Russia's traditional gains--Romania and Sweden.

And then again....

Fall 1901:

Intervention Matrix for Spring 1901

	L	R	S	I	N	T	
L	0	0	0	+	-	-	+2 -2
R	+	0	0	0	0	-	+2
S	0	+	-	0	0	0	+1 -2
I	0	0	0	+	0	0	+2
N	0	0	0	0	+	-	+2 -1
T	0	0	0	0	0	+	+2 -2

Spring 1901 went pretty much as I expected--which is to say that no one tried anything fancy. The country intervention matrix for Spring 1901 shows the relationships of the seven powers prior to Fall 1901.

The Fall 1901 orders should give us a much better picture of the alliance structure on the board. Kirsan (England) will convoy the army to Norway. This will use only one fleet and will give him the option to use F North Sea to intervene in the Low Countries (probably in Austria's favor, i.e., support Prussia & then off the Netherlands to Holland). The other option is to send F Norwegian Sea to the barracks. This would signal an attack on Russia. In either case, we should know what's already up to by the end of this season.

Rocamora (France) has too many builds in Iberia. That only leaves him a propensity to worry about. If England and France are allied, they will probably play thinnish safe with a bar-bol supported by the English fleet. However, if Mike thinks that he cannot count on France, he will probably send the army to Munich. Conversely, bytwerk (Germany) will notice Rosamilia (Russia)'s movement to the east. The easiest way would be to just have Kars to go for Russia and then try to talk Rocamora into an alliance against Rosamilia. For Germany's fall 1901 orders, I would guess a Kie-Rol, A Poh-Bol, F Denmark, bytwerk to fit Rosamilia (Russia) to take Sweden in return for Russia letting Rosamilia go to Peterburg against the English. That will depend on how the diplomacy goes.

Lakefka (Italy) will be the only player who does not have to commit himself to an alliance this fall. He will convoy a Myalis to Tunis and order A Venice to hold. This will mean no Spain and if he carries it to its complete conclusion, he will try to expand his empire via a convoy to Lydia. However, in the meantime, he has only one alliance to form (with Ugo, etc.).

Czernowitz (Turkey) and Rosanoff (Russia) appear to be attacking Vogler (Austria). This could be a set-up with one of them allying with Vogler in the field against the other. However, I rather doubt it. Therefore the attack in the east will degenerate into Russia and Turkey versus Austria and Italy. To stave off this eastern attack, I suggest that Laskerka and Vogler familiarize themselves with my article on "Austria-Hungary: Super-power" in The Arena #3. If a stalemate develops in the east, it will play into the hands of the western alliance.

I hope that the action will pick up on the coming season. So far the games have all been too standard. All of these players are capable of some pretty big moves and therefore I think that we can look forward to some interesting developments. (Are you guys listening?)

GROWLING FROM THE LIONS' DEN

VIENNA (17 October 1901): "The Emperor was again ordered to call to prevent aggression by the Czarist dupes." The crown prince questioned the seriousness of the Sultan's demand of Czar to the extent of an armed conflict especially with the Entente apparently installed in Rome and Brussels.

EDINBURGH (Idle release) (7 October 1901): Alone with the shadows of a night long past, McPhee---Lady of the Isles---looks through the windowless wall to the struggle ahead.

"Oh, how I dread the coming of the first clash. To turn my thoughts to the grim necessity is discipline overwhelming...but what 'tis is to dread for it is but a minor fatality with which we have managed many times before this restless dawn! How easily such trivia beset my soul with a cordon of apprehension?"

"Unless, of course...it is not the failing but the success at the task that condemns us all? For to fail is a termination of an open seduction to ambition; whereas to pass would force us further into a position from which to accept anything less than a career whose main function was a constant struggle to greater position, would be an account to suicide and shame."

"Deep within is the gnawing feeling that we must alter the course of events, as it to justify our existence on this solitary planet. So irrational is this drive that it hinders our quest of peaceful happiness. Irrational because are we not but an average creature, ordained with no special position or tolerance that could give hope to execution of an ambitious course. Thus, the pursuit of the higher degree would tempt us to upward spiral of quests from which we may not emerge in even the shoot of a force from which we started."

"Yet...the feeling persists and the assaults of reason and reality are not headed. For we are torn on the question of whether ambition suits us not. For now, we can only follow with the stormy winds that come from distant quarters without any formal resolution or definitive calm. Are we doomed to claw at the unknown without anticipation or completion?"

VARSAS (5 November 1901): The National Institute of Polish Archaeology is pleased to announce (with the indulgence of the Czar) that the poem published last spring by the Polish press and attributed to our long-lost Poet Laureate has enabled our historians and scholars to fill in the gaps of a fragment of the same "Ode to Spring" long left in our care. Published here for the first time, then, is the complete text of "An Ode to Spring" (with thanks to *Il Presso Roma* for the first part):

Spring has sprung!

See da birds up in da sky?

Da grass has ris!

(Hoping Sliger "cross da wif")

I wonder where da flowers ar?

Gas, I'm glad dat cows can't fly!

AN ALA (6 November 1901): The Turkish government recognized the Greek victory over its interests not only in Sweden, but in Norway and Switzerland, but so consider the ultimate interests of France, Germany, Austria and Italy. This relevance may be forgotten in the near future (1902) (7 November 1901): In the view of the outbreak of war, the German Empire, the British Government agreed that a standing offer to cover a large-scale invasion of France by a million-strong army (which itself consisted of 1,000,000 men) will be given for the next 10 years against Turkey and Bulgaria, while the British

asked that any government contemplating resignation contact him in advance with details of current government plans and expectations.

The Neue Zürcher Zeitung quotes the following odds for the coming war: Russia 11:1 against, Turkey 5:1, England 29:5, Austria 6:1, France 31:5, Germany 9:1 and Italy dead last at 111:1 against. These odds will be updated periodically.

ROME (15 November 1901): I won't attack Austria in the face of a Russian-Serbian alliance. Peter.

MEMPHIS

1. THE CALHAMER AWARDS. You will note that our cover this time is a ballot for the Calhamer awards. I urge you to immediately fill it out and send it to John Mohr, 1400 E. 32nd, Vancouver B.C., Canada who is supervising the awards and compiling the results this year. The greater the vote is, the more meaningful the awards will be. You do not have to be a member of IDA to vote. Any player in the hobby is eligible to vote. Also, I urge you to send in your ballot air mail as the deadline is Friday, June 26th (although John might be liberal about this) and the regular mail usually arrives at least a week late to Canada. (If worse comes to worse, John might even accept your ballot at the Nipper.)

2. MAIL MAILING. There is some evidence coming in that everyone didn't get their week's library of Hoosier Archives #113, contrary to the promises of our esteemed #113 (30 days needed to be sent out). This issue won't be mailed in Indianapolis until Tuesday, May 27, due to Memorial Day, so if everyone hasn't gotten their issue by today, June 9, we would like to know about it so we can register a formal complaint.

3. DIPLOMATIC VI. This year's Diplom is being held in conjunction with the International Game Show at Chicago's Bismarck Hotel on June 22, 23 and 24. The player turnout for the game show has been quite impressive easily topping last year's participation. To further encourage everyone to attend and meet Ed Kresan, the three contestants, Tom and Carol Krobol, Fred Davis, Richard Hunt and many more, we have extended our pre-payment deadlines through June 7, 1973.

In addition, we are happy to announce two return events from last year--a pre-dinner dinner on Sunday, June 24 and the Hit and Miss Special. The cost of the dinner will be \$10 through June 21; after that date it will go up to full price. The hit and miss special will include a tour of Chicago for the ladies and luncheon at a famous Chicago restaurant and three days of racing for the gents. Two dinner tickets are included, as always. This package deal will be available through June 7 for the unbelievable cost of only \$75. Player rates remain, Saturday--\$1, Saturday--\$4, Monday--\$4. These rates will go up \$1 per day on June 8.

Reserve your place now. Few if any spaces for the Diplomacy tournament #17 are available at the show. Make all checks payable to the International Game Show #113, 1400 E. 32nd, Chicago, Illinois 60601.

4. INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMACY ASSOCIATION. With the IGPON only 4 weeks away, why don't you join IDA now so you can attend the general meeting there? Many vital decisions affecting both IDA's and the hobby's future will be made then. There are only 1000 places, payable in us (make cheques payable to IDA). So join now and get a free copy of the Dipping Herald and all other benefits of membership.

5. DIPLOMAT, Greg Carlson (4326 Baltimore Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. 19104) is returning short-term to Diplomacy early. He has the hobby's only nine with free rule and six with early openings as well. Write him right away as I doubt if he will open later than June. You don't need to worry about the game falling as Greg has been publishing for almost 3 years.

6. PLATINUM #13, it is with great regret that I note the passing of this topflight player. For 10 years of his existence, it was always interesting and on target. He was a very charitable nice person as a trial lawyer and this will be very important as he continues to be the all-around master of Diplomacy. However, I must say that he was not the easiest to play by telephone rules but the memory, especially his handling of the game, will be missed. Many large tournaments will be followed. Good luck to all.

INTO THE ARCHIVES NO. 69

We are pleased to bring you another double treat this time, two articles by one of the hobby's foremost tactical experts, Eric Verhulden. The second article gives a mathematical foundation for the intuitive feel many players have for country strength.

TACTICS OF OFFENSE AND DEFENSE II

by Eric Verhulden

As in the previous article in Hobby Archives #102, this article will illustrate good tactical play in an idealized setting. In particular, all countries except for Russia, Austria-Hungary and Turkey are neutralized as are all neutral supply centers except for the Balkans. Russia and Austria-Hungary move with the single objective of destroying Turkey as quickly as possible, with the understanding that regardless of their choice of moves, the Turkish position will be the best possible, i.e., Turkey will always guess the allied moves correctly and move with that in mind.

Spring 1901: Russia--F Sev-Sib, A Mos-Ukr, A War-Gal

Austria--F Tri-Alb, A Sud-Ser, A Vie-Bud

Turkey--F Ank-Bla, A Con-Bulg, F Con-Cor

Fall 1901: Russia--F Sev-Sib, A Ukr-Sev, A Gal-Rus

Austria--F Tri-Balk, F Gre-SF Alb-Osm, A Sud-S Ra Gal-Rus

Turkey--F Ank-Bla, A Con-Hun, A Con-Bulg

Winter 1901: Russia--Build A Rus

Austria--Build F Tri and A Vie

Turkey--Build F Smy

The 1901 Russian and Austrian moves are probably the best possible against Turkey even in a real game, assuming, of course, the non-interference of Germany and Italy. The objective is clear: prevent Turkey from taking the Black Sea without risking the loss of Sevastopol or a bounce in either Rumania or Greece. To do this, it is necessary to utilize every available allied unit, as can be seen in the fall moves. RA Ukr acts as a hedge against a possible Turkish move to Armenia in the spring and a subsequent TF Ank-Con, TA Arm-Ser in the fall). Note how RA Mos-Ukr in the spring is superior to RA Mos-Sev since (1) RA Mos-Sev can easily be blocked along with RF Sev-Sib by TF Ank-Bla (holding two Russian units with a single Turkish unit), (2) RA Ukr is adjacent to the front and has the additional options of moving or supporting in Rumania just as available to RA Rus and (3) it assures that Moscow will be left open for a build in the winter. It might be mentioned here that the usually strong spring move TA Smy-Ara is more than useless here since the best TA Ara could do in the fall is leave Sevastopol open for a build while TA Con might be useful for supporting purposes later on.

(Notation: A Bul H (R Con)--A Bul is dislodged and retreats to Con; A Eng H--A Bul is annihilated or is dislodged and retreats off the board)

Spring 1902: Russia--F Sev-Sib, A Ukr-Sev, A Rus-S AA Ser-Bul

Austria--F Gre-SF Alb-Osm, F Tri-Alb, A Ser-Bul, A Sud-Ser

Turkey--F Ank-Bla, F Smy-Aeg, A Eng H (R Con), A Con-Bulg

Fall 1902: Russia--F Sev-Sib, A Ukr-Sev, A Rus-S AA Ser-Bul

Austria--F Gre-SF Alb-Osm, F Alb-Tur, A Bul-Gal, A Con-Bul

Turkey--F Ank-Bla, F Aeg-Ion, A Con-Bulg, A Smy-Con

Winter 1902: Russia--No changes

Austria--Build F Tri

Turkey--Remove A Smy

Observe the Turkish maneuver in the spring. Since Turkey is certain to lose Bulgaria (and would almost certainly lose it in a stellar situation in an actual game as well), it can do no better than to try to provide a space for the retreat of a bul. Although in this particular case, it makes little difference in the end, in general, care should be taken to avoid annihilations when they serve no useful purpose; units thereby lost cannot be replaced until they are rebuilt and return back to the front, a lengthy process at best.

Meanwhile, one is for all practical purposes playing with one unit at a time, so it though one may possess the bare number of supply centers as before, this guarantees a total impotence in delaying actions in which one tries to stall or maneuver. This is

long as practicable until further reinforcements are brought up or another power can be induced to club your enemy in the rear while his units are engaged in the front against you. Note also how RA Hun and RA Ser are put to good use in the fall, preventing the judgement of AA Bul and still allowing AA Bul-Con. As a general rule, whenever one unit is up a set of waves and finds units simply holding in place instead of moving, supporting or conveying, one should wonder if he is doing something wrong and try to find something to do with his units besides holding in place.

Spring 1903:	Russia--F Sov-Biz, A Rus S AA Bul, A Ukr-Sov Austria--F Gre-Heg, F Ion S F Gre-Aeg, A Bul H, A Ser-Gre Turkey--F Afk-Bul (R Syr), F Ank-Fla, A Con S F Aeg-Bul
Fall 1903:	Russia--F Sov-Biz, A Rus H, A Ukr-Sov Austria--F Aeg C A Gre-Con, F Ion-Eas, A Gre-Une, A bul S & Gre-Con Turkey--F Syr S A Con, F Ank-Biz, A Con H
Winter 1903:	No change
Spring 1904:	Russia--F Sov-Biz, A Rus H, A Ukr-Sov Austria--F Aeg C A Gre-Syr, F Ion S A Gre-Syr, A Bul-Con, A Gre-Syr Turkey--F Ank-Fla, F Syr S A Con-Syr, A Con S F Syr
Fall 1904:	Russia--F Sov-Biz, A Rus H, A Ukr-Sov Austria--F Ion S A Bul-Con, F Syr S A Con-Syr, A Bul-Con, A Gre-Syr Turkey--F Ank-Fla, F Syr S A Con-Syr, A Con-Syr
Winter 1904:	Russia--No change Austria--Bul H & Bul and F Tri Turkey--Reserve F Syr (1 modified Fall 1904)

At this point, of course, Austria-Hungary can take Ankara, completing the destruction of Turkey. 1903 and 1904 illustrate something about the use of convoys. They should be used to cut supply when occupation of an important sea space could not be assured by a similar move with the fleet and also when there is some special reason to want to move an army, as opposed to a fleet, to the front. In the latter case, every effort should be made to see that the convoyed attack succeeds the first time, or if that is not possible, to find something else that will work. In the above, the Austrian convoy of Fall 1903 gives the best shot possible at Constantinople, without risking loss of the Ankara. In Spring 1904, the Austrian convoy to Smyrna cannot be stopped and the placement of the army in Syria instead of Constantinople gives Austria the option of hitting Ankara later on without IP Ark being able to return the compliment by hitting Smyrna.

An example of the poor use of convoys, which in my opinion had a lot to do with determining the eventual winner, comes from the Grudge Game. Red Walker's Italy spent 3 years trying to convoy a single army into Syria while it could have been convoyed and supplied into Syria at any time after the first 1½ years. In the meantime, Red Liman's Russia, with the assumption that three Italian units were tied up indefinitely in a Central Asian campaign, was able to quickly overrun England and score on to bigger and better things - a southern offensive against a badly overextended Italy.

Another example, although perhaps not as decisive as the above, can be taken from the Grudge Ace game. In Spring 1906 we find Doug Boyerlein's Italy playing yet another failed plan to set up Proskuta's Germany for the shaft (note the support given to the Pausch-Neustadt IP Ion and the "accidentally" unorderd IP Ion) and also to prepare for a somewhat unusual trans-Syrian-Terranean convoy in the fall. This maneuver succeeded to the point of failure (that's bad) and, as it turned out, prevented at least two of them from ever getting to the front. A simple F Rus-Lippe(=e) coupled with F Mar-Fry-Ven and a (non-functional) naval fleet were much more effective as far as the attack against France was concerned. Note that the not inconsequential advantage of bringing two more units to the front. At the party, a less complicated convoy maneuver would have been to build a Reg. (the original Reg. would not be followed by F Rus & A Mar-Fry and F Rus C A Turke) or two Regs (one for each).

RELATIVE TACTICAL VALUES AND THE CALHAMER POINT COUNT RATING LIST
by Eric Verheyden

In "Relative Tactical Values of the Diplomacy Countries," appearing in Hausier Archives #112, a series of "relative opposition factors" (ROF's) was calculated, purporting to give some idea of the relative tactical difficulty in achieving a win for each of the Diplomacy countries. Also calculated were the "relative win factors" (RWF's) for the then-current Calhamer Point Count Rating List (CPCRL), obtained by dividing the base Russian win total by the various individual country win totals. Actually, the choice of the Russian win total as the base was arbitrary; any other base win total would preserve the relationships between the RWF's for the different countries just as well. Another tacit assumption was that the ROF's should be inversely proportional to the country win totals of the CPCRL in the ideal case.

Actually, by considering the lines of best fit of the graphs of 10 RWF's vs. 10 ROF for several previous CPCRL's, a somewhat different picture emerges. By adjusting the base win totals appropriately, the RWF's can be made to vary as the 1.42th powers of the ROF's in the best approximation. The adjusted RWF's from the last four CPCRL's appearing in the designated issues of Hausier Archives and the predicted values—the 1.42th powers of the ROF's, are compiled in the table appearing below:

	HA #76	HA #91	HA #104	HA #112	PREDICTED
AUSTRIA	1.74	1.62	1.66	1.71	1.74
ENGLAND	1.44	1.46	1.55	1.60	1.66
FRANCE	1.82	1.76	1.86	1.77	2.03
GERMANY	2.99	2.93	2.56	2.48	2.20
ITALY	2.61	2.74	2.91	2.92	2.75
RUSSIA	1.13	1.13	1.11	1.04	1.00
TURKEY	1.34	1.38	1.40	1.46	1.71

It can be seen that the agreement between actual and predicted values is quite good except for Italy, France, and, to a lesser extent, Turkey, the countries most affected by the unnatural Italian weakness at sea in the opening, due mainly to the absence of a second Italian fleet. Even this may improve with time and the increasing prevalence of Italian openings employing drastic measures in an attempt to achieve Italian equality, such as the Lepanto and the even wilder Key variant. Developments of this sort for anti-French (and anti-English?) openings would probably enable Italy to realize its full tactical potential.

Bearing in mind that the numbers indicate the relative difficulties in achieving a win, a preference list based on tactical strength would run something like: Russia/England, Turkey/Austria/France, Germany/Italy, where the order of countries inside the slashes is as yet uncertain. This ordering holds for wins only; the ordering for the various draws or shared wins would have to be treated separately.

CRI PRESENTS

The following potential players have written during the last couple of months in response to the new CRI flyer and asked that their names be passed on to Canesmusters for future openings. The numbers indicate the order in which I received each response.

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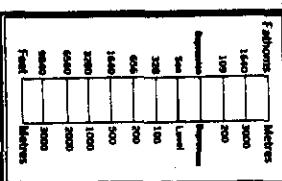
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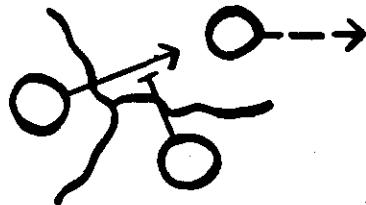
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To best follow the game and hopefully learn something from it, since it is being played and analyzed by experts, I would like to suggest to you the use of a recording system that was first proposed to me by John McCallum.

First of all, you will need seven crayons in the following colors: red (Austria), purple (England), blue (France), black (Germany), green (Italy), brown (Russia), and yellow (Turkey).

Now to use the McCallum system, you take this map, which is provided with each of the spring and fall seasons, and record the armies with a circle of the appropriate color and the fleets with a line. For the winter season, simply take the fall map and make square brackets around a unit built and round brackets around a unit removed.

Also, a good way to go from one season to another is to indicate an attack with an arrow and a support with a line and bar as illustrated. Additionally, an unsuccessful order or retreat can be indicated by a dotted line.

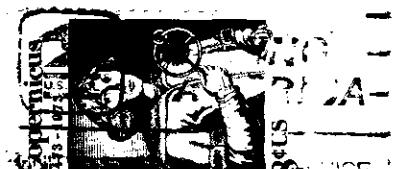


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