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Opening Guns

Maybe you could tell by the feel, and maybe you couldn't, but this is the smallest JIHAD I've published in a while (and the smallest I'm likely to publish for a while more).

I've decided to essentially warehouse this one issue, not because of a lack of material (far from it!) but simply due to a lack of typing time.

First of all, it's Census time, so I'm burning extra midnight oil on that (but see below). Secondly, in two weeks I'll be an operations manager for MichiCon 10 in Rochester, Michigan - thus more time demands. Next, I've been called upon to be chief judge at two major drill team competitions on June 6th and 21st - including a state championship - which calls for more preparation time for each. Finally, in my capacity as Tournament Director of the Detroit Gaming Center, I'm working on a large D & D demonstration/display in connection with the International Freedom Festival in Detroit.

In other words, no time for the typewriter right now.

However, the press in '81 C and '81 AQ in particular may entertain you enough (it did me) that you don't miss the articles.

Everything will be back to normal next issue, barring a postal strike, as the above mess will be past history. It's just a case of all hell cutting loose at once...

By the way, my phone is still out of service, although I've prepared to file a complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission over this ongoing dispute and expect to have service restored shortly. My work # is 313-831-5700 between 11 pm and 7 am EDT, if you must reach me by phone, and I have NO problem taking calls at work. (I answer the phone, among myriad other duties)

But let's cut all this junk - on with the zine!

Postal Strike Policies

The last word I had on the USPS situation was that a strike in late June was a possibility. This would put a crimp into JIHAD's normal operations, to say the least.

The policies I will follow in the event of an American postal strike are:

- 1. Publication of JIHAD will be suspended immediately, for the duration of the strike.
- 2. NO ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN BY PHONE during the strike.
- 3. NO RESULTS WILL BE ISSUED during the strike.
- 4. An issue of JIHAD will be published within 15 days following the close of the strike action, announcing new deadlines for all games.
- 5. All subscriptions are based on X number of issues, not just on calendar months.
- 6. The first JIHAD following the strike will contain game results only for games where the deadline expired prior to the strike.

Hobby Census

All lists I have have been compiled.

The Census WILL NOT be available at MichiCon. I will not type the census until I receive and compile the last C.D.O. Census, which was promised to me but never arrived. I'm now setting up for a Pacific Origins release...

JIHAD Subscribers Party at MichiCon 10

I expect to see anywhere from 8 to 20 of my subbers at MichiCon, so I will be throwing a party starting around 7:30 p.m. on Saturday and going until ????. It will be at my dorm room at the con site - look for a JIHAD cover with the notice on it on the open gaming or event bulletin board, or catch me at the convention desk Friday afternoon or the Ace of Aces tournament Friday evening. See ya there!

Game Openings are available in the following:

Regular Diplomacy - \$2 gamefee. Seven players - Osborne, Maston, Slaughter, Murray, Wilson, Gaughan are registered. ONE TO GO!

International Regular Diplomacy - \$5 gamefee; six week deadlines. Porteny, McDonald, Bowen, Pearson are registered.

This offering is in imminent danger of being cancelled for lack of interest. Any player outside the USA who is interested in playing a regular Dip game - please give this opening consideration. I'd hate to wind up dropping this one...

Bourse - \$2.50 gamefee. No limit on players - Luedi, Carlson, Marsden, Brown, Crane are registered.

Three possibilities exist for this game if the International game falls through - 1) switching Bourse to monthly deadlines and tying it to the new Dip game above; 2) leaving Bourse on six weeks, but tied to a monthly game (an interesting idea...); 3) modifying the Bourse slightly and tying it to the Mercator III international game. Suggestions, anyone?

Bourse is a game of currency exchange and speculation tied to a game of Diplomacy. Rules appeared in JIHAD #12.

Guest GMed Regular Diplomacy - GM: Jeri Overby. Write her if interested. Anderson, T Bates, Gaughan, Caruso, Wilson are registered.

Purest Diplomacy - NO FEE. Seven players. Wilson and Taylor registered.

This is a just-for-fun variant opening. Each of the seven players has just ONE center; there are no sea spaces, empty spaces or neutral centers. In simplest terms - talk fast or die. Rules in JIHAD #13 (all 1/2 page!).

Changes of Address

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CORRECTION - Peter McDonald (Mercator III) is at 45b Clarence Rd, NOT "456".

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Standby Lists

A couple of my lists (A Mighty Fortress, in particular) need HELP...

Diplomacy - Kelly, Puentes, Verheiden, Mercer, D'Alessandro, Larzelere, Palter

Variant Dippy - Mercer, Wilson, Davies-Morris, Carlson

Machiavelli - Davies-Morris, Palter

A Mighty Fortress - Puentes, Thornsen?, Del Grande?

There's Still Time... to vote in the 1981 North American Zine and GM Polls.

Full details appeared last issue; in summary, to vote you should rate all zines and/or GMs which you have enough experience with to rate fairly on a 0 (terrible) to 10 (perfect) scale. Mail votes to: John Leeder, 121 19th Ave NE, Calgary, Alberta T2E 1N9, CANADA as soon as possible. His deadline is June 30th, and your letter may take a while...

1981 C

"The Press Game"

Spring, 1902

Snake and Bloodsucker Play Ring Around The Turkish Rosy. France Gives Black Jack a Black Eye. Pope Succumbs to Lure of the West. England Stagnates.

Austria (Kathy Byrne): a tri-TYO; a vie-BOH; a bud-SER; a ser-GRE; f gre-AEG.

England (Arturo Guajardo): f NWY holds; a WAL holds; f ENG-mid; f LON-eng.

France (Al Pearson): f MID holds; a PAR s a mar-bur; a mar-BUR; a SPA-gas.

Germany (Jack Masters): f hol-BEL; a kie-DEN; a bur*gas; a RUH-bur.

Italy (Gerald Carne): f tyh-LYO; f nap-TYH; a ven-PIE; a TUN holds.

Russia (Keith Mercer): a STP holds; f SWE holds; a arm-SYR; f RUM-bul(ec); a sev-ARM; a mos-SEV.

Turkey (Tom Swider): a BUL s Austrian a ser-rum (not so ordered); a con-ANK; a SMY s a con-ank; f ank-BLA.

German a bur must retreat to mun, pic, or otb.

Deadline for Fall 1902 orders is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Thursday, June 25, 1981. The infamous box score now sits at 45 order sets submitted and 220 press items printed. Inevitably, the press follows...

Bloodsucker to Thrillville - Well, I guess Mommy knows best! Did you get the rubber ducky I sent you? Is it true you broke your leg running to grab Marcia Brady's leg?

Las Vegas - The Union Plaza Sports Book has established the following odds on 1981 C:

First country eliminated: Turkey - 5 to 2; France - 7 to 2;

England - 4 to 1; Italy - 5 to 1; Austria - 12 to 1;

Germany - 13 to 1; Russia - 25 to 1.

End result: Single winner - 4 to 1; 2 way draw - 3 to 1;

3 way draw - 10 to 1; 4 way draw - 7 to 2; 5 way draw - 10 to 1;

6 way draw - 12 to 1; 7 way draw - 100 to 1; orphaned - 100 to 1.

Turkey to Russia - Here's a ~~snake~~ (snake). Shove it!

Paris to London - Hi guy! How's it going? Looks like a great game, huh?

You lose Norway and maybe get one of my centers. Black Jack gets Belgium and Denmark and a shot at me.

Accident Al to Dark John - You have a real sucker on the line. Tell him about the ocean front property north of Phoenix (right after the big quake). The smuck has fallen for everything you have handed him so far; he should want to get in on the ground floor.

Dulltown - Where the hell is Thrillville? What the hell is Blueberry Whip, and how do I get a franchise?

Moscow to Hazel Park - Let's try a different name. I'm giving Mud to Tom Turkey.

Hazel Park to Moscow - OK. How about Copycat? Just 'cause I went to Syria so fast in '81L doesn't mean I need others to follow my example. On the other hand, imitation IS the sincerest form of flattery...

Tom to Al - Kathy mentioned a great place that all the Dippy players will be staying. It's called the Nomad Motel; No 38 and Rudderow Ave; Maple Shade, NJ. I'll see you there!

Me to GM - I'm having trouble figuring out who I'm allied with, so I read Eric's review and he wasn't helpful at all. He doesn't know, either!

Hazel Park to Me - I can solve that one for you. Just wait for the endgame statements in a couple of years, and who you're allied with should be there in black and white.

Byrne to Pearson - Next year, we can nominate Mercer for the Nixon Award; he actually used the same lies on Tommy Turkey in 2 straight games and Tommy bought it all. I'd say Keith rates right up there with you, excuse me - US!

Jane Proskin to Liar Al - Merci vou extremar les plume. La fumar de la mar.

Hazel Park to Gary Coughlan - See, I can have foreign language press in my zine, too. Of course, I can't vouch for its accuracy...

Kiel to Sweden - Please!

Moscow to Rome - Don't let sweet Tom talk you out of it. You're in ideal position to do some serious damage to him.

Istanbul - Sultan Pepa, the mad musician and militant mastermind, gleams in interest as a carrier turkey flies into the royal coop. Under its right wing, the following message was found:

"Dearest Sultan, I have intercepted Russian messages trying to be smuggled across the borders of Russia into Norway. Telegraph follows. Yours Loyally, Mean Mister Mustard, Mercenary and Messenger to Turkey."

Immediately, the doorbell rings. Pepa has a servant open the door and seize the telegraph from the messenger. With fingers fumbling about nervously, he ripped open the envelope.

DEAR CHANCELLOR STOP AGREEMENT ACCEPTED STOP IMPERIAL RUSSIAN FORCES WILL REINFORCE ATTACK ON DENMARK STOP ON TO BERLIN STOP SIGNED TSAR IVAN WORKINONTHERAILROADSKY

With a puzzled look, he ponders a moment. "Nah! Couldn't be!" and Pepa cleanly cuts the paper into tiny squares with his sword in a wink of the eye. "Now, let's get on ~~with~~ something that does matter: sex, drugs, and rock 'n' roll!"

Moscow - Czar Venomoski, Jr. is on vacation this month but is expected back shortly. His exploits are noteworthy and will be brought out next month.

Paris - It surprised none in the French capital that Premier Le Aire took drastic steps to stem the tide of English and German aggression. Le Aire convened his cabinet and called for the imposition of harsh measures on the French people. Le Aire called for confiscation of all "English letters" and nationalization of the jelly bean industry. Le Aire has called on the French universities to train specialists to help solve the military intelligence problem. Le Aire said, "What is needed is not munitions nor poison gas, but philosophy professors. What France needs is people who can teach Logic to the English. The English must be shown how irrational their actions are. Since it is obviously in England's best interest to keep Norway and not have a 7 or 8 center Germany, all we need is people to get a little sense drummed into that English monarch's head."

Austria - Snoopy Reporter went to Mediocre Haven to see if Tom Turkey is really as bad as some say - looking around his room is an experience, it is decorated in Martin. "Down with Crud" signs are everywhere. There is also a framed life-size picture of Bugs Bunny and his friends and during the entire visit he is playing "Rubber Ducky" on the phonograph.

Snoopy: Hi, Tom, how did you break your leg? Tom, oh Tom, I said, how did you break your leg?

Tom Turkey: You better not go back and tell the group in the press game or I won't give you any more interviews. Okay?

Snoopy: Now, you know I can keep a secret. I didn't tell them about your ladybug briefs.

Turkey: Okay. I was playing racketball and ran to hit the ball, the only problem was that I forgot to take my left foot out of the way of my right foot and I tripped over my foot and broke it. Stop laughing, Snoopy, it's not funny!

Snoopy: Maybe not to you, but 81C is going to love it!

Jane Proskin to Hazel Park - I am very sorry that you selected Eric Verheiden instead of Janie to do your commentary for this game. I shall, however, continue to do my own commentary in PEEK.

Hazel Park to Jane Proskin - Actually, Eric's doing the commentary here instead of you because I know you'll continue your PEEK commentary. I didn't want to see you spread too thin with commentaries, after all!

Jane Proskin to Hazel Park - Thank you for bending your houserules just enough so that I can submit press items for the game--even though I am not a player.

Damsel in Distress to Rusty Knight - Yes, I think it's disgusting that Black Jack accepted dirty money!

Damsel in Distress to French National Bank - How much do I get for these moves?

Hazel Park to Damsel - He'll probably pay off in blueberry whip, if I know him. He may even want to deliver it to your door...

Rome to Paris - Do you know how hard it is to resist peer group pressure?

Turkey to Italy - PLEASE! Go west, young man!

Schwartzten Johannes to Bloodsucker - May the curse of Knatic be on you forever...
May Dave Perlmutter briefly come back into the hobby, just so you may inherit all his positions when he drops out again.
May Kevin Kozlowski write you 37 page letters all the days of your life.
May all the rungs (on your ladders) be broken and may your chutes be sticky.
May "Toots" forsake you for Jean Marie.
May Dave Grabar come to Flushing for a visit.
May you stay out of Tyrolia.
May Al Pearson lick blueberry whip from your navel.

1981 Bjb (Machiavelli) Summer, 1514

Milan For The Milanese! Daring French Raid Succeeds. Papal Invasion Goes Deeper Into Neapolitan Lands. Venice Proclaims Neutrality.

Expenditures: None.

- Austria (William Osmanson): A1 tyrolea*holds unordered (ret CARINTHIA);
 A2 AUSTRIA holds unordered; A4(EP) NAPLES holds; A6 BARI a aquila;
 F2 ionian a GON; F3 wm a WTS.
- France (Larry Boudon): g1 SAVOY to F2; A3 swiss a TYROLEA;
 A4 TURIN s tyrolea; F1 WGOL holds.
- Milan (Steve D'Alessandro): A1 CREMONA s milan; A2 pavia a MILAN;
 A3 COMO s milan; A4 piacenza a FORNOVA.
- Papacy (Clark Reynolds): A2 CAPUA s aquila; A5 aquila a SALERNO;
 A6 bologna a LUCCA; F1 ancona a AQUILA.
- Venice (Mike Scott): A1 istria a HERZEGOVINA; A2 croatia a SLAVONIA;
 A3 verona a BRESCIA; A4 vicenza a VERONA; F1 LA t a1; F2 UA t a1.

Autonomous garrisons in Arezzo, Montferrat, Piombino, Ragusa, Sienna, Turin.

Larry Boudon has a change of address; see page 2.

Deadline for Fall 1514 orders is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Friday, June 26, 1981. Press follows.

- Lynn to Hazel Park - No offense to you or to Bill, but how is it that Bill Osmanson is Austria in 3 games?
- Hazel Park - His two AMF games (which used preference lists) saw his Hapsburgs as a sole first choice; here, it was just the luck of the draw...
- Milan to France - My move to Fornova is only to compensate for the ducat loss from your move to Swiss.
- The Curia Courier - And God said, "Let there be an army in Salerno," and behold! there was.
- Venice - Venice promises both sides that it will remain neutral in the upcoming Austrian-Papal battle.
- Milan to Venice - I apologize for my silence. You'll be hearing from me soon.
- Cremona - Maximilian Sforza has decided to move into Milan to offer plague relief to that twice-stricken city.

Kingmaker 8001 Turn 1

Surprise! (Ha.) Both proposals failed. The grueling Parliament has caused Audley and Howard to die of natural causes, though - their cards have been sent to the proper decks. There are now SIX cards in Chancery.

Positions: Clifford(Conisboro); Grey(Rockingham); Pole(Wingfield); Roos(Belvoir); Talbot(Ludlow); le George, le Lucas and le Swan at starting ports; le Trinity(Ravenser); Cromwell, Hastings, Holland, Percy and Stanley at Preston. No other event calls affect nobles; PLAGUE hit Southampton, and King Henry answers his Embassy call to Ravenser.

Deadline for Turn 1 orders (FOR REAL this time, at long last!) is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Friday, June 26, 1981.

Kingmaker 8002Turn 3

Pre-Move: Beaufort has his head separated from his body - AB York, Saxons, le Michael to Holland. Greystoke is knighted at Appleby; Cromwell at Tattershall; Scrope at Masham. Stafford secures appointment as the Constable of Dover Castle.

Event Response: King Henry and FitzAlan travel to Maldon. Calais becomes a permanent part of the Continent, and the Captain of Calais card is removed from play. le Christopher, le Margaret, le Swan all port at Rochester; le George and le Trinity port at Weymouth.

Movement

Cromwell(Tattershall)-Grantham-h6-hold-Belvoir
 FitzAlan(Maldon)-h33-London-Blackheath-h55-h54-h53-h52-Arundel
 Grey(Rockingham)-Grantham-Lincoln-m35-Towton-Kingston
 Greystoke(Appleby)-Richmond-Masham-Helmsley-Kingston
 Hastings(Harlech(c))-w5-w1-Rhuddlan-w2
 Holland(h42)-Weymouth-h51-Exeter-d10-Plymouth(c)
 Neville(Ogmore)-w40-Cardiff-w37-w32-Hereford
 Roos(h22)-Daventry-h6A-h6-Belvoir
 Scrope(Masham)-m6-m5-m22-m30-m36
 Stafford(h22)-Oxford-StAlbans-Windsor-Blackheath
 le Christopher(Rochester)-s26-s24-s22-s20-Southampton
 le George(Weymouth)-s18-s17-s15-s14-Penzance
 le Lucas(Whitby)-s30-s29-s28-s27-s26
 le Margaret(Rochester)-s26-s24-s22-s20-Southampton
 le Michael(Bristol)-s12-s13-s14-Penzance
 le Nicholas interned at London
 le Rose interned at Plymouth
 le Swan(Rochester)-s26-s24-s22-s20-Southampton
 le Trinity(Weymouth)-s18-s17-s15-s14-Penzance

Combat Phase: None.

Status of Royal Heirs: King Henry with FitzAlan; Margaret with Grey; George with Neville; both Richards are deceased; others "at home".

Turn 4 Events: EMBASSY-King to Preston; VACCILATING NOBLE (effect deferred; see below); VACCILATING NOBLE (also deferred); MERCENARIES GO HOME-Flemish XBow; MERCENARIES GO HOME-Burgundian XBow; PARLIAMENT MUST BE SUMMONED.

Robert Wyatt must call Parliament to a legal site of his choice. All players should inform the GM of which nobles (and/or heirs) are attending Parliament by the next deadline of Wednesday, June 24. The effects of all other event cards are postponed until Parliament is concluded.

There are presently five cards in Chancery...one will be drawn for each noble in attendance up to five.

Press

To Neville - You won't be a nice guy and let my ships dock at Plymouth-- I'll just have to take it from you.

Neville to FitzAlan - Yes to the exchange, but not until the Admiral's armada has been swept from the seas.

ELO to Mercia - Haven't forgotten you, just no time to write. Have ruling from GM soon over your strategy question and will pass it on to you.

Hoping we can cooperate in the near future.

Grey to Stafford - The Holy Grail? No Kidding? What's your favourite colour?

Scrope to All - Time for a bit of Southern scenery.

Stafford to Grey - Should I tell Neville the truth?

Stafford to Holland - That wasn't the real Beaufort!!

Stafford to Roos - Sorry about that, chief.

Stafford to Hastings - We can't breathe without heir.

Stafford to Stafford - Nobody's listening.

Grey to FitzAlan - Malden huh? Don't leave home without it.

Hastings to Neville - Just in case you're interested, Harlech is a dead-end town. No action after 5 pm, unless you bring your own party (which I'd advise against).

Grey to Neville - Who needs le Rose? I'll wait for le Nicholas to sail, and take her.

1980 KW T/R/I SLUG IT OUT IN BALKANS Germany's Turn For A Vacation Winter, 1902 Spring, 1903

- Austria (Civil Disorder): GM removes a boh. a VIE holds.
England (Tim Bates): f SKA s Russian f swe-den (not so ordered); f NWY holds; f nwg-EDI; a LON holds.
France (Ned Nichols): Builds f mar, f bre. f mar-LYO; f bre-MID; f ENG s a bel; a BUR s a bel; a BEL holds; a POR (unordered) holds.
Germany (Dennis Denfeld): N.M.R. Even. f NTH, f HEL, a MUN, a HOL, a KIE all hold.
Italy (Deane Sperdakos): Even. a TYO-vie; a tri*s a tyo-vie; f ion-EAS; f tun-ION; f TYH s f tun-ion.
Russia (Steven Davies-Morris): Builds a mos, a war. f SEV s a rum; a RUM s a bud; a BUD s Turkish a ser-tri; a stp-FIN; a mos-STP; a war-GAL; f SWE s German a kie-den (not so ordered).
Turkey (Debbie Osborne): Even. f arm-ANK; f aeg-GRE; a ser-TRI; a bul-SER; a gre-ALB; a con-BUL.

Italian a tri must retreat to ven or otb.

Thanks to Eric Verheiden for his unused standby orders.

Will Steve D'Alessandro, 7 Burdett Rd, Lynn, MA 01904 please stand by for the German position?

Ned Nichols has a COA; see page 2.

Deadline for Fall 1903 orders is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Saturday, June 27, 1981. Press follows.

Pope to World - The Vatican announces that the Pope has not been assassinated. The black smoke issuing from St. Peter's does not signify the burning of inconclusive ballots in a new election, but rather a general conflagration of heretical postal officials, convicted of interfering with the Holy Mail, and specifically of withholding from His Holiness a certain issue of a certain zine. These malefactors having been duly dispatched, business is being conducted as usual in the Holy See.

St. Petersburg - Rasputin announced today to the European press that the Tsar's government has broken off formal diplomatic relations with the government of England. This is Bertie's just reward for being a dummy.

Paris to World - Crisis at work has interfered with the function of the office of foreign affairs. This situation should improve before fall.

Rome to Ankara - Who's that knock knock knocking on heaven's door?

Budapest - The commander of the Tsar's southern armies released a bulletin today thanking the brave Russian soldiers for their heroic efforts in crushing the disgusting, drooling, depraved Austrians. Finally, people who bathe will not have their sensibilities offended by unwashed garlic-eaters. In fact, the Tsar is considering a vacation next year in the heart of Austria as part of his plan to bring civilization to central Europe.

1981 C:1 (North America: 2020) August, 2020

DELAYED

The C.S.A. player, Marion Bates, spent three weeks in the hospital in May due to unforeseen circumstances. After reviewing the situation, I feel that the only fair course is to delay this turn until next deadline of June 25. Orders on file may, of course, be changed until then.

1980 Icv (Youngstown Variant IV) Re-Start

I will be restarting this game in mid-June, with the first deadline called for the end of July. This will give me a chance to make sure of my player lists, and allow plenty of time for the substantial new blood to open negotiations.

Four of the original players are definitely restarting, and a fifth seems probable, so I repeat - this is a go.

1981 Ejn (Woolworth Diplomacy)Fall 01

Most Supports Still Miss Connections. Balkan Situation Remains Confused.

Austria f tri-ADR; a vie-GAL; a bud-TRI.
 Balkans a ser-BUL; f AEG s a ser-bul; a RUM s Austrian a vie-gal.
 England (David Anderson): f edi-NWG; f NTH s f edi-nwg; f nat-ICE.
 France (Fred Davis): f pic-BEL; a BUR s f pic-bel; a MAR-spa.
 Germany f HOL-bel; a kie-MUN; a SWI s Italian a ven-tyo (not so ordered).
 Italy (Dan Palter): a VEN s Balkan a ser-tri (not so ordered);
 a ROM s a ven; f TYH-tun.
 Russia f bot-BAL; a STP-nwy; f BLA-ank; a gal-BUD.
 Scandinavia (Mark Luedi): f nwg-NWY; a SWE s f nwg-nwy; f DEN holds.
 Spain (Steven Davies-Morris): a spa-GAS; a POR-spa; f WES-tun.
 Turkey f CON-bul(sc); a arm-SEV; a SMY-ank.

Supply Center Chart

Aus ~~tri~~ tri vie (2) remove 1
 Bal bul gre ser rum (4) build 1
 Eng edi lon lpl ice (4) build 1
 Fra bre mar par bel (4) build 1
 Ger ber kie mun hol swi (5) build 2
 Ita nap rom ven (3) even
 Rus mos ~~st~~ stp war bud (4) even
 Sca den nwy swe (3) even
 Spa mor por spa (3) even
 Tur ank con smy sev (4) build 1

While it is my normal custom to call for a separate Winter in the first "game-year", I'm not certain that it's necessary here. (Players are, as always, free to request a separation...)

Mark Luedi has a change of address; see page 2.

Deadline for Winter 01/Spring 02 orders is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Friday, June 26, 1981. Press follows.

England to Scandinavia - I told you I would take Iceland. I also told you to worry about the Russkies. Now you'll have to worry about Germany, maybe.

Constantinople to Balkans - Come out of the closet, and maybe we can help you.

Constantinople - The Sultan thanks the Austrians for their offer of support into Bulgaria last Spring. He would appreciate working with Vienna to solve the Balkan problems.

England to France - You said I could have Belgium and Holland. Are you reneging on your letter? If you want to have a copy sent back to you I will. Do you?

Paris to Berlin - Thank you for your communication. Have no objections to your taking Holland and Switzerland.

Constantinople to Rome - Help the Turkey do the carving in the East, and we'll help you turn the Mediterranean into Mare Nostrum.

Balkans to Austria - Peace??

Balkans to Russia - ???

Balkans to Turkey - War?

Balkans to GM - Question marks were on sale in Serbia and Bulgaria. Would you like some?

H?a?z?e?l? P?a?r?k? t?o? B?a?l?k?a?n?s? - N?o? t?h?a?n?k?s?. I? h?a?v?e? e?n?o?u?g?h? f?o?r? n?o?w?.

Constantinople to Moscow - We regret that our hotels are all booked up. Rumanian seaside resorts are reportedly delightful at this time of year.

1979 HW FRANCE STILL HAS IT TOUGH Winter, 1905
Austria Forces Rest of Boot Spring, 1906

- Austria (Tom Thorsen): Builds a vie, f tri. f tri-ALB; f ion-NAP; a ROM s f ion-nap; a vie-TYO; a VEN s a vie-tyo; f gre-AEG; f EAS s f gre-aeg; a BUL-con; a RUM-sev; a SEV-arm.
- England (Dan Palter): Retreats a bel-otb, even. f EDI s f nwg; f NWG s f edi.
- France (Keith Mercer): Even. a SPA-mar; f wes-lyo (no such unit); f tyh-WES; a lon-WAL; f eng-BEL; f MID (unordered) holds.
- Germany (Kevin Mooney): Build a mun, f kie. f kie-HOL; a mun-BUR; a RUH s a mun-bur; a bel-PIC; a PAR s a bel-pic; f nth-ENG; f ska-SWE; a FIN s f ska-swe; a lvn-STP; a MOS s a lvn-stp.
- Italy (Mike Steagall): Even. f mar-LYO; a PIE-mar.
- Russia (Ron Kelly): Removes a stp. a NWY-swe; f BAR-nwy.
- Turkey (Steve D'Alessandro): Even. a SMY holds; f CON-bul(sc); a ANK-arm.

Jim Moir NMRed again; Keith Mercer has assumed the French position. Deadline for Fall 1906 orders is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Saturday, June 27, 1981. Press follows.

Lynn to Hicksville - Thanks for the card Tom. I'm not expecting you to cease your attacks. I'd just like to survive longer than Italy and England.
Smyrna - Health inspectors are baffled at the sudden appearance of "red tide" in the Eastern Med. Presently, there seems to be no hope that the problem will clear up on its own.

1980 IF THREE UNITS BLASTED IN HEAVY FIGHTING Spring, 1904
England Digs In For Last Stand

- England (Dennis Denfeld): f nwy*holds; f NTH c a den-edi; a den-EDI; f NAT-lpl.
- France (Alan Dickinson): f mar-SPA(sc); a GAS s a par-bur; a PAR-bur; a bre-PIC; f ENG s a bre-pic; f LPL-nat; a lon-YOR.
- Germany (Keith Mercer): a RUH-bur; a BEL s a ruh-bur; a HOL s a bel; a mun-BER; f kie-DEN.
- Italy (John Daly): f ven-ADR; a rom-VEN; f ion-ALB; f NAP-ion; f TUN s f nap-ion; a TRI s a bud-ser; a bud-SER; a rum*bul.
- Russia (Roy Henricks): a sev-RUM; a FIN s f swe-nwy; f swe-NWY; a WAR s Turkish a ukr-gal (not so ordered).
- Turkey (Al Pearson): a UKR s Russian a sev-rum; a ser*s Russian a sev-rum; a BUL s a ser; f GRE s f aeg-ion; f AEG-ion; f smy-EAS.

English f nwy must retreat to bar, nwg, ska, stp, or otb; Italian a rum must retreat to bud, gal, or otb; Turkish a ser is annihilated. Deadline for Fall 1904 orders is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Saturday, June 27, 1981. Press follows.

Italy to Germany - I think I owe you 2¢.
Italy to Turkey - Sorry to see you getting so upset at my attacking you. But remember, you built three fleets when our original deal said you'd stop at two. And just because you told me about the third fleet doesn't change the fact that there's only one direction for those fleets to go--through me. Or were you planning a naval invasion of Moscow?
Ankara - Sultan Al-Said, Sultan of All the Turks (including Greece and Serbia, but you can scratch Rumania), was irate at the results of the European war. "That Allah-cursed cesspool of a country, Italy, has backed up and overflowed all over us. I'll never trust Liar Daly again. It looks like deep dreck around here."
Burgundy to Paris - Here we go again.((Not French Press - GM))
Munich to England - You still there? We still are requesting your exit from Denmark.

The Song of the NightWinter, 5000

Set-ups:

- A "Fourdor" (Mark Larzelere, 522 W Grand River, Howell, MI 48843):
Castle in Andemon. n AMYR, a ANDEMON, f TROOM. k AMYR, w1 TROOM,
h1 ANDEMON.
- B "Lower Inner Outer East Wogistan" (Dan Palter, PO Box 156, Cedarhurst,
NY 11516): Castle in Banbeck. n BANBECK, a ISTA, f BYSSA.
k BANBECK, w1 BYSSA, h1 ISTA.
- C "Ducastrian" (David Anderson, 3281 Goldner, Detroit, MI 48210):
Castle in Esurian. n CASSAN, a ESURIAN, f ISLE OF DUSK.
k ESURIAN, w1 ISLE OF DUSK, h1 CASSAN.
- D "Befuddled Ones" (Michael Crane, 219 Ridgewood Dr, Northfield, NJ 08225):
Castle in Joaz. n CATH, a JOAZ, f ISLE OF DAWN. k JOAZ,
w1 ISLE OF DAWN, h1 JOAZ.
- E "Androlep" (Richard Carlson, 1105 John Daly, Inkster, MI 48141):
Castle in Dol Shaiac. n DOL SHAIAC, a FAMIRA, f DHASSA.
k DOL SHAIAC, w1 FAMIRA, h1 DHASSA.
- F "Fem Mark" (Debbie Osborne, 7804 Penrod, Detroit, MI 48228):
Castle in Eus. n EUS, a ESGAIR, f ENED. k EUS, w1 ENED, h1 ESGAIR.

Deadline for Spring 5001 orders is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, June 24, 1981. Press (yes, already!) follows.

BO - What, me worry?

Fem Mark - The Heroine Atlanta is forming a party to explore the once-known reaches of the world. Only Amazons, Valkyries, and Morrigan's need apply.

Fopiparg (GM) - First off, Fopiparg is my reserved dateline for this game only. All press from me will be datelined "Fopiparg" or "Hazel Park", and ONLY press from me will be so datelined. (The story behind Fopiparg, which is longer than even Roy Henricks might guess, will be in a future issue of JIHAD.)

Now to the main point - I've received a large number of rules enquiries from several players. Since all of us will profit from the answers to same, I've printed them below. I will continue to answer most rules questions in the zine, unless the tactical situation suggests that to do so will damage a player's position.

Q. Can builds be made in non-home centers? A. NO.

Q. Where are builds made under the CHA spell? A. In the usual places.
If spells entitle you to more builds than you have open home centers to build in, tough rocks...

Q. If you get an extra unit due to a CHA spell, do you also get an extra hero or wizard if the extra unit is your 6th (for example)?

A. NO. Wizard/hero builds are based on # of SCs held. CHA may increase the support you get from centers, but the number of SCs doesn't change.

Q. Are scrolls useable by wizards only? A. YES.

Q. Can AGE be cast on yourself? A. YES.

Q. If Children of the Night have taken one piece into the underworld, will they also attack another piece which later enters that space?

A. If you're reading this, Lew, "HELP!". I would say YES, but I leave the door open here.

Q. If you have a unit of Barbarians (e.g.) under your control, must it occupy a different space from human armies and fleets?

A. YES. Two UNITS (not pieces) may never occupy the same space.

Q. Can you try to support monsters in an unexplored space?

A. I suggest NO, but I'm open to a designer's opinion...

Q. If CHA is cast in Spring, does it still have effect in Fall?

A. YES. The land (not sea) effects of VC also work this way.

Finally, all spells are adjudicated before ANY movement. Spells ONLY have effect in this pre-move phase, unless the specific spell description states otherwise. Thus, for example, VC cast upon a sea space would NOT destroy a fleet moving into that space. (A fleet in the space at the start of the turn would, of course, be affected.)

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1538

WHEREIN the French see their allies driven from Edinburgh; turmoil overtakes the Reform movement; bloody battles in southern France place scars upon the lands; and Suleiman's moneychangers keep quite busy, thanks...

Campaign Phase

((Position at END of phase))

England (Don Swartz): 1314 1n; 1403 2a; 1416 2x; 1505 2a; 1513 1n; 1604 2n; 1612 1n2a; 1812 1n; 1912 2a.

France (Steve D'Alessandro): 1115 1a; 1305 2a; 1520 1a2n; 1616 1a; 1714 1n; 1815 1a1x; 2117 2a; 2223 1a1n; 2522 1a; 2722 1n.

Hapsburgs (William Osmanson): 1319 2n; 1320 2n; 1321 2n; 1522 2a; 1621 2a; 1821 1a; 1926 3n; 2014 1a; 2015 2a; 2019 1a; 2020 2a; 2121 2a; 2418 1a; 2525 2n; 2617 1a; 3412 2a; 3427 3a; 3614 4x.

Lutherans (Tom Swider; resigns): 2316 1aWrt2m; 2408 1m; 2414 1x; 2416 1x; 2510 1m; 2511 2aMckSax; 2512 2aAnhSax; 2612 1m; 2713 1aMns; 2714 2m; 2813 2m; 2814 2aHesAug3m; 2913 1aBre; 2914 2m; 2915 1m; 3008 2m; 3009 1m; 3111 1m; 3212 1aBrn1m; 3401 1m; 3709 1m; 4109 1m; 4211 1m.

Ottomans (Chuck Higgins): 2730 1a; 3221 1n2a(*); 3331 1a1n; 3420 2a; 3630 1n2a; 3917 4a; 4122 2x; 4127 1n; 4829 1xin.

Papacy (Debbie Osborne): 2820 2a; 2821 1a; 3226 1a2x.

Combats: E siege Edinburgh (1403 2a, 1505 2a, 1604 2n) at 3-1/D2h (retreat F 2a to 1305)
 L siege Trier (2513 2a, 2414 1x) at 1-1/Ex (remove P 2a 2413, L 2a 2513)
 H 1522 2a+1621 2a att F 1521 1a at 4-1/De (remove F 1a)
 H 1821 2a att F 1721 1a at 2-1/Ex (remove F 1a, H 1a)
 H 2020 2a att F 1921 1x at 2-1/D1 (remove F 1x - no retreat)
 H 2014 1a+2015 2a att F 1915 1a at 3-1/D3 (ret F 1a to 1616)
 H 2121 2a+2221 2a att F 2122 2a at 2-1/Ex (remove F 2a, H 2a 2221)

A couple of clerical errors mangled last issue's French position; nobody seems to have been inconvenienced, and the errors have all been corrected above.

Taxation Phase

Eng - 20,000 Crowns. Fra - 22,000 Crowns. Hap - 30,000 Crowns.
 Lut - 17,000 Crowns. Ott - 19,000 Crowns. Pap - 6,000 Crowns limit.

Diplomacy PhaseAreas Controlled

England - Calais, England, Ireland, Denmark, Sweden, Netherlands.
 France - France, Scotland, Savoy, Genoa.
 Hapsburgs - Austria, Bohemia, Franche Comte, Hungary, Naples, Navarre, Spain, Tyrol, Portugal, Switzerland.
 Lutherans - All Germany EXCEPT Cologne, Mark, Mecklenburg, Trier, Wurttemberg.
 Ottomans - Ottoman Empire, Sardinia, Sicily, Dalmatia, Crete.
 Papacy - Cologne, Papal States, Trier, Venice, Milan, Florence, Tuscany.
Lutheran Religion: All Germany EXCEPT Cologne, Trier; also Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Netherlands, all Polish cities.

States of War: France vs. Hapsburgs and England
 Lutherans vs. Papacy

Diplomatic Pouch: Papacy cedes Venice to Ottomans.

Expenditure Phase

	Eng	Fra	Hap	Lut	Ott	Pap
Start 1538	29,000	75,000	72,000	11,000	60,000	16,000
Taxation	20,000	22,000	30,000	17,000	19,000	6,000
Gen Movement					- 7,000	
War	-20,000	-22,000	-30,000	-17,000		
Combat	- 6,000	- 8,000	-15,000	- 3,000		- 2,000

	Eng	Fra	Hap	Lut	Ott	Pap
Mercenaries		- 5,000				
Replacements		- 8,000	- 6,000		- 4,000	- 4,000
Start 1539	23,000	54,000	51,000	8,000	72,000	16,000

R & R Phase

Enter This Turn: F 1n at 1714; H 2a at 3614; L 1aWrt at 2714; O 2x at 5323; P 1a at 3226.

Eligible Next Turn: F 2x4a; H 3a; P 2a.

Deadline for 1539 orders is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, June 24, 1981. Press follows.

Hazel Park - My usual OOPS - will Tom Thorsen, 41 4th St, Hicksville, NY 11801 please assume the Lutheran position?

Edinburgh to London - I'm still ready to give you Scotland, Henry. The Scots are doing quite well in their cooking classes.

Paris to Vienna - Touche, Charles! We French don't deny our mistakes, we just correct them. If you are upset over the Inquisition, talk to the Pope. The Inquisition is dead in France!

London - Official dispatches from our brave armies in the north state that the French dogs currently infesting Edinburgh have sunk to new depths of moral depravity. The stories told us by the poor innocent Scottish lasses make us shudder at the evil depths to which the French devils have sunk. The perversions the French have visited upon our northern brethren go beyond human belief. Apparently the French dogs have taken some of the poor innocent lasses back to France for further "delights". Our valiant troops will take appropriate steps to cleanse the earth of these filthy French perverts and return the lasses to their homes.

Dijon to Geneva - We hope that Calvin is doing well in Hapsburg Switzerland. Is Charles turning Lutheran?

Paris to Vienna - Here is another verse of the Book for you, Charles. "It is mine to avenge; I will repay" says the Lord. (Romans XII:19) Would you do the Lord's work for Him?

To My European Brothers - My Century 21 agent is really on the ball. He has found a surprising piece of property on several small islands in the northern Adriatic. Some of these land developers do Magnificent things. I expect that these new territories will be protected and peace brought to the region. May Allah's peace reign.--Suleiman the Magnificent

Mercator III

A reminder to all players that January 1890 orders are due on Thursday, June 25. I have received at least one communication from all 13 of you, so if you've submitted preliminary orders, I probably have them.

Be sure to check the changes of address on page 2.

Watch out next issue for a short piece on the army/fleet rules, including some elementary tactics and a thorough coverage of the time scale concepts...

1978 FK

Correction Notice

I have been supplied with some data in addition to the original Orphan Service package. Please correct the endgame statement with regard to the Austrian players of record. The CORRECT information:

A: Andy Tomcufcik (dro W02), Ron Kelly.

B.N.C. please note.

Speaking of B.N.C. - as of June 1st, Lee Kendter has passed on the duties as Boardman Number Custodian to Don Ditter, 1910 Hope St #12A, Stamford, CT 06907.

I wish Don the best of luck in his new post, and sincerely hope that he continues to maintain the standards established by Lee during his tenure.

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1534

Lutherans Announce Leadership Change. Pope Declares WAR Upon Heretics.
English, Spanish Fleets Tete-a-Tete Off Brest. France Gathers War Chest.

Campaign Phase

England (Debbie Osborne): 0812 1n(*); 1010 1n; 1312 2a; 1507 1a; 1603 1n; 1706 1a; 1711 1a; 1912 3a2n; 3401 1n(aug1).
France (Lee McConnell): 1014 1n2a; 1115 2a; 1413 1n; 1505 2a; 1812 2n; 1815 1x; 1913 2a; 2012 2a; 2522 2a; 2722 1n; 2723 1n; 2822 2a.
Hapsburgs (William Osmanson): 0229 1a; 0617 2n2a; 0714 2n(*); 0814 1n(*); 0916 1n(*); 1026 1a; 1926 2a; 2211 1a; 2409 1a; 2410 1a; 2529 1n2a; 2617 1a; 2720 1a; 2817 1a; 3030 2n; 3116 2a; 3214 1a; 3331 1a; 3410 2a; 3412 1a; 3427 2a; 3514 2a; 3614 2x; 3832 2n.
Lutherans (Sharon Bratcher; resigns): 2117 1m; 2510 1aBrn; 2512 1m; 2608 1aBre; 2614 1m; 2701 1m; 2713 2aHesHes; 2815 1m; 2913 1aSax; 2914 1m; 3005 1m; 3012 1aMns; 3013 1aSax; 3111 1m; 3208 1m; 3212 2aAnhMgd; 3401 1m; 3709 1m; 3805 1m; 4109 1m; 4211 1m.
Ottomans (Steven Davies-Morris): 3120 2a; 3320 2a; 3620 2a; 3718 2a; 3916 2a; 4115 2a; 4131 2n(2aug3); 4133 2n; 4232 1n; 4721 2x.
Papacy (Mike Crane): 2411 1a; 2413 1a; 2612 1a; 3021 1a; 3122 1a; 3226 2a1x.

Lutheran missionaries at 2409 and 3410 were eliminated by Hapsburg moves.
No combat/theological debate.

Will Don Del Grande, 142 Eliseo Dr, Greenbrae, CA 94904 please assume the Lutheran position? All other addresses are unchanged from JIHAD #11.

Taxation Phase

England - Dublin, Plymouth, York, London, Calais, Copenhagen. 15,000 Crowns.
France - Brest, Bordeaux, Rouen, Paris, Dijon, Marseilles, Edinburgh, Turin, Genoa. 22,000 Crowns.
Hapsburgs - Corunna, Madrid, Barcelona, Prague, Vienna, Antwerp, Naples, Palermo, Cagliari, Geneva, Zurich, Milan. 40,000 Crowns.
Lutherans - Bremen, Magdeburg, Wittenburg, Nuremburg. 10,000 Crowns.
Ottomans - Buda, Belgrade, Bucharest, Constantinople, Athens, Venice. 19,000 Crowns.
Papacy - Cologne, Mainz, Trier, Bologna, Ravenna, Rome. 6,000 Crowns limit.

Diplomacy PhaseAreas Controlled

England - Calais, England, Ireland, Denmark, Sweden.
France - France, Scotland, Savoy, Genoa, Florence.
Hapsburgs - Austria, Bohemia, Franche Comte, Hungary, Naples, Navarre, Netherlands, Sardinia, Sicily, Spain, Tyrol, Milan, Portugal, Switz.
Lutherans - Anhalt, Bremen, Brunswick, Hesse, Magdeburg, Mansfield, Saxony, Ansbach, Cleve, Nuremburg.
Ottomans - Ottoman Empire, Venice.
Papacy - Cologne, Mainz, Papal States, Trier.

Newly Taxed Cities: England - Stockholm; Hapsburgs - Lisbon.

Untaxed Cities: Augsburg, Florence, Metz, Sienna.

Lutheran Religion: All Germany except Papal cities; also Denmark, Norway, Sweden, all Polish cities, France, Bohemia.

Diplomatic Pouch

The Papacy DECLARES WAR upon the Lutherans.

Expenditure Phase

	Eng	Fra	Hap	Lut	Ott	Pap
Start 1534	23,000	21,000	57,000	14,000	4,000	8,000
Taxation	15,000	22,000	40,000	10,000	19,000	6,000
Gen Movement	- 5,000		-14,000		- 7,000	
Aug Movement	- 1,000				- 6,000	
Mercenaries	- 5,000		-10,000		-10,000	
Transfers	4,000					- 4,000

	Eng	Fra	Hap	Lut	Ott	Pap
Start 1535	31,000	43,000	73,000	24,000	0	10,000

R & R Phase

Entering This Turn: France 1x at 1815; Ottomans 1x at 5323; Papacy 1x at 3226.

Eligible Next Turn: England 1x; Hapsburgs 2x; Lutherans 1533/1534 reinforcements; Ottomans 2x.

I suggest that all players reread the rules concerning placement of mercenaries/replacements, and the rule on States of War.

Deadline for 1535 orders is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, June 23, 1981. WARNING - As the gameload in this zine approaches its maximum, I must - and therefore will - get much nastier about deadlines; especially in the complex AMF games...

Press

A Roman Hospital - Due to a pizza lodged in the Pope's rear, doctors have advised that all Vatican press releases in the near future will be somewhat erratic. This is due to the wounds (caused by the fanatical Italian terrorist General Giovanni "Chicken" Cacciatori) from the pizza and to severe overexposure to "General Hospital".

London Chronicle - To all my loyal subjects and in honour of their love and devotion - I, Henry, King of England, do hereby affirm that I will remain with my wife, Catherine of Aragon, and do therefore designate our daughter Mary as Heiress to the throne. I do this out of love for my realm and to ensure the peace thereof.

Rome - It's a long way to go...

The Vatican - Death to the heretics, send me to Riverworld...

Smyrna - Suleiman the Magnificent, Defender of the Flame of Islam, was overheard lamenting the way that poor King Henry of England has been henpecked and manipulated. He went on to comment that in his country such problems as infidelity and not having sons do not happen. He then suggested that his good friend Hal consider joining a religion that was realistic and let the King do as he damn well pleased. A copy of the Qu'ran will be dispatched to London together with a liberal sampling of the great Suleiman's harem. The girls are, of course, "on loan" and will be collected when Suleiman visits London in 1536.

Bologna - Authorities today have issued a 10,000 Crown reward for a religious artifact known as the "Ice Princess" which resembles an ugly black modern statue. All inquiries should be referred to A Roman Hospital, Box 666, The Pope's, Rome. Thank you.

The Zine Plugs Cometh...

SLEEPLESS KNIGHTS - Dave Carter, 118 Horsham Ave, Willowdale, Ontario M2N 1Z9, CANADA. SK is in its second issue now, and promises to be a fun zine to read. Dave writes with a light touch and a good wit. Games include regular Diplomacy and (possibly) a variant or two. Also offers three- and six- week deadline Dip (the zine's a five-weekly). Get a sample, but don't send American stamps...

WHY ME? - Lee Kendter, Sr., 4347 Benner St, Philadelphia, PA 19135. The reports of this zine's death have been somewhat exaggerated. Lee's going to continue Why Me? as a warehouse - no non-playing subs allowed. He has two games of regular Dip open at present. Lee is considered to be one of the very best GMs in the hobby, so these openings should carry a certain attraction. Subs 40¢/issue, write for gamefees.

SNAFU - Ronald J. Brown, RR #1 Brennan's Hill, Low, Quebec JOX 2C0, CANADA. This fellow Class of '80 publisher has opened up his games to non-Mensa members now, and has announced openings in the variants Conquest of the New World II and Scotice Scripti III (this last set in medieval Ireland) in addition to regular Dip. Subs 12/\$6; a sample is recommended first, as always.

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WHERE THE HECK IS SRO?
France Catches Flak

Spring, 1902

Austria (Mark Luedi): f GRE-aeg; a SER-bul; a BUD-rum; a tri-TYO;
a vie-BOH.

England (Mike Crane): a HOL s German a ruh-bel; f nth-ENG; f nwg-NWY;
f edi-NTH.

France (Larry Peery): a PAR s a mar-bur; a mar-BUR; a bre-GAS; a POR-spa;
a bel*s English a hol; f SPA(so)-wes.

Germany (Greg Stewart): f den-BAL; a kie-DEN; a ruh-BEL; a bur*mar.

Italy (David Anderson): a apu-VEN; a PIE s a apu-ven; f rom-TYH;
f TUN-wes.

Russia (Tom Ewing): f bot-SWE; a mos-STP; a SEV holds; a UKR s a sev.

Turkey (Mike Steagall): f BLA-bul; f CON-aeg; a RUM-ser; "a ARM-sro".

French a bel must retreat to pic or otb; German a bur must retreat to
mun, pic, ruh, or otb. Note that if both units retreat to pic, both are
annihilated.

Mark Luedi has another change of address; see page 2.

Deadline for Fall 1902 orders is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Saturday, June 27,
1981. Press follows.

The Palace - The long-awaited trial of American industrialist Glenn Overby
II, who is implicated in the Elton John-Potty-Trained scandal, begins
today. The expected first witnesses: John Boardman and the Spinners.
Stay tuned to this press release for further details.

St. Peerigrad (1 Apr 1902) - In ceremonies at the Cathedral of St. Lorenzo
de Peericelli this morning the Empress of Frenciana, Sister Lurleen
Maria Peericelli, took as her consort the German military hero Field
Marshall Schlader. The ceremonies were presided over by Pope Joan XI
and, in deference to the Empress' Maldive Islands subjects, the Aya-
tollah Peericelli, who arrived just in time from Male, where he has
been in retreat for some years. The combination coronation and wedding
was attended by notables from the Frencian Empire, Germany, and other
European centers. Honored guests included three kings from the Middle
East; Akbar, Ali, and Mohammed who brought gifts of (well, you guess...) which caused considerable comment as the Empire-waisted gown of the Empress (in lime green, hot pink, and lavender) failed to disguise the obvious fact that the Empress was very much with child. As the ceremonies concluded giant balloons filled the air over St. Peerigrad dropping gifts to the joyful crowds below. The air was filled with Putra-Shave ads, and the smell of Putra-Shave was everywhere. Navel oranges were distributed to every young virgin girl in the city although the significance of this was not immediately apparent. The Field Marshall cut a dashing figure in his full dress uniform although the reason behind his wearing an iron mask was lost to some. Rumors are that the couple will spend their honeymoon touring the Empire.

Brussels, April 15 - After General Schlader's marriage to Sister Lurleen, the general insisted that they honeymoon in Belgium. When Schlader removed his iron mask and exposed his Putra-Shave scars to Lurleen, she swooned and fainted. This led Schlader to conclude that Lurleen was, in fact, a clone. Schlader decided to honeymoon anyway, dragging the reluctant bride by the hair into his loathsome bedroom.

Rome - The Pontiff today blessed the Italian Second Fleet and told it not to return until it had reached Paris, or at least Brest. It was later discovered that the Pope had been too close to the front and had become intoxicated by drinking water from the Rhone River. This accounts for the Paris objective, but it's too late now. The fleet has left radio contact and was last seen heading for Sardinia.

Ankara to Paris - All of your diplomatic mission personnel have been shot as we have no way to find out who is the spy that told all.

Ankara to World - That is what will happen to all diplomatic missions that give away Turkish state secrets. Blood and guts.

Berlin to Vienna - You spell relief W-R-I-T-E.

England - Ouch! Hey-that hurts! Next time grease me up better before sticking it in...

Ankara to Austria - Good by!

(more press on page 19...)

1981 AQ (Mensa #14) CURIUSER AND CURIUSER Fall, 1901
 Italy +2 without Tunis; France +3 without Belgium!

Austria (Michael Morris): N.M.R. f ALB, a tri*, a SER all hold.
 England (Pete Gaughan): f NTH s French a bur-bel (not so ordered);
 f nwg-NWY; a YOR holds; f tun s Russian a naf (no such unit).
 France (Michael Casucci): a mar-SPA; f mid-POR; a bur-MUN.
 Germany (Errol Platt): f DEN holds; a kie-HOL; a ruh-BEL.
 Italy (Peter Simpson): a ven-TRI; a TYO s a ven-TRI; f ion-GRE.
 Russia (Mike Whitty): f bot-SWE; f SEV s a ukr-rum; a ukr-RUM; a mos-UKR.
 Turkey (Paul Larsen): a ARM-sev; a BUL s Italian f ion-gre; f ank-BLA.

Supply Center Chart

 Austria bud ~~xxx~~ vie ser (3) build 1
 England lpl lon edi nwy (4) build 1
 France par mar bre spa por mun (6) build 3
 Germany kie ber ~~xxx~~ den hol bel (5) build 2
 Italy rom nap ven tri gre (5) build 2
 Russia stp mos sev war swe rum (6) build 2
 Turkey con ank smy bul (4) build 1
 Neutral tun

The Austrian a tri is removed per Rulebook provisions on Civil Disorder.
 Will Mark Larzelere, 522 W Grand River, Howell, MI 48843 please stand
 by for Austria?

Deadline for Winter 1901 adjustments is 10:30 p.m. EDT on Saturday,
June 27, 1981. Press follows.

From the Front - A Letter from Major Andrei Kizitoff, aide to General Rudi
 Sonobavitch, to his wife in Moscow - Dearest Tamara: The old Sonoba-
 vitch finally got us moving today. To think that we have spent a whole
 season since mobilization right here around Moscow. So close to you, but
 so far. But the times we spent together when I was lucky enough to get
 a leave were very memorable. I won't mention the things we did when we
 were alone together because we are still in the repressive Victorian
 era and no one talks openly about sex yet. I would like to do it with
 the lights on, though. Or would that be too perverted for you? Anyway,
 we've got our marching orders now. We'll be marching to the Ukraine
 this time. Hopefully we won't get called back like we were last Spring.
 I would've liked to spend the summer on the south coast, but no such
 luck. The Turkish affair looks worse every day, but now Marshal of the
 Army Whitski's gone and ordered the Second Army into Rumania. I may not
 see you again until Christmas leave, I'm afraid. I only wish that I
 could hold you in my arms one more time before we board the trains for
 Kiev. All of my love, Andrei.

Sofia (BPU) - The Bulgarian people were so overjoyed at being liberated
 from the dictators that ran the country before that they insisted the
 Turkish authorities do anything in their power to help free their Greek
 neighbors from their tyrants.

Paris (Zoot Alois News Agency) - Marshall le Grand's army of Marseilles
 marched into Spain and was greeted by throngs of happy people shouting
 "¡tu madre es un caballo!".

The French Fleet, under the command of Admiral de Cochon, sailed
 to Portugal, overcoming Portuguese naval forces (an old man in a rowboat
 with a "beeg feesh") to liberate that country from it's oppressive
 dictator, Ernesto "Che" Hemingway.

Atlantis to Europe and Mars - Lost continents, unite! We march on Hazel
 Park July first! (It's a slow boat...)

Hazel Park to Atlantis - You're in the wrong game, you know. Fred Davis
 created a variant about you once...

Petrograd to Vienna - I'll ally with you against Italy as long as I get
 to have Sicily and Sardinia.

Rome - In a striking Papal Bull (the first since his surviving an assassination attempt) the Pope today announced that Austria's provinces of Vienna, Trieste, and Budapest are the home of the prehistoric "Lost Tribes of Italy". The Pope further stated that it grieved him mightily to see these holy lands in the hands of infidel barbarians and declared a holy crusade to regain their possession.

Close on the heels of this astonishing announcement was King Umberto's call to arms - he is quoted as saying, "This will get my generals out of the wine shops and onto the fields of glory where they belong." The generals were not available for comment, but sources close to the military report that a flurry of activity has been spotted at many installations in our area and that recruitments are under way to build many new military units.

Petrograd - Alexei Rippemoff, editor-in-chief of the Silly, Trite and Useless Disinformation Service (STUD Service), decried the news blackout from Germany in a speech to publishers today. Rippemoff declared, "The absolute zero amount of press out of Berlin is no doubt a result of their autocratic form of government. Such tyrannical autocracies which prevent freedom of the press should be destroyed forever." Rippemoff was subsequently arrested by the Tsar's secret police.

STUD Service - The Tsar is reportedly very upset over the Austrian declaration of war upon England. High-level sources have suggested that the Tsar will ally Russia with whichever of the two belligerents that will aid Russia's invasion of North Africa.

Dublin (RIP) - British Defense Minister John D. Galley everyone away last night displayed his Irish wit, and his sympathy for the Tsar, by commanding the "Second" Army in Tunis to support Russian liberation attempts in Morocco. Said he, "the Tsar has apparently confused liberation and libation."

Armenia (TRP) - The Turkish army, in its attempt to alleviate the illegal alien problem, mounted an unprecedented attack upon the hordes of aliens crossing the border. The Turks joined forces with the Armenians in an effort to preserve the economy. "It is better to have Armenians than Russians in our country," said one Turkish general.

Petrograd to Hazel Park - The Tsar no longer has the Isles of Langerhans, they've gone the same way as his pancreas and liver.

Moscow - Students at the University of Moscow announced the formation of the Environmental Protection Army (EPA). Said one spokesman, "We've got to protect the environment at all costs. We simply can't let the dirty Turks turn the Black Sea into the Dead Sea." An onlooker at an EPA Rally for the Sea remarked, "I'm glad to see these kids calling themselves an 'Army'. If they keep up this anti-Turkish pressure, they'll be in the real thing, so they might as well get used to it."

Ankara (TRP) - The Turkish Ministry of Black Sea Affairs reported today that the color of the sea is not black because of Turkish coffee. The Minister stated that a couple of elderly fishermen witnessed a Russian ship dumping tons of rare truffles and caviar that the Czar allegedly sent for in one of his usual drunken states. The rare food was then rejected because the Czar found out what color it was. The Turkish fleet has been sent to help clean up the Russian mess.

Tampa to Hazel Park - I agree about the press; this is the first game I've been in in which I haven't regretted having press altogether. Spring's was w(h)itty, diverse, and best of all, bountiful! Go for it, guys! (though it will be hard to sort out all the news agencies, especially since I don't speak Martian...)

Mars - In a report which shocked Helium's government, the royal astronomer Tylbrax Zyzkrag presented his conclusions from his careful study of the third planet, Htrae. Following the announcement of canals on Htrae, Zyzkrag spent ninety-six days in careful observation of the planet from the Nix Olympica telescope. His conclusions: "Not only is Htrae inhabited, but it is inhabited by a very warlike race. Just as I had predicted, the peninsula with the canal through it was overrun by a larger nation. Their technology is far behind ours, but they may someday pose a threat to Mars. Some preventive action may be in order.

Hazel Park to Mars - Tell John Carter I said Hi next time you see him. It's been a while - though I don't blame him for not sticking around here when the most beautiful woman on two worlds waits elsewhere...

London to RomE - Lila has mono. (Are you also supplying the Tsar's liquor? Or has someone told him about last season's grape stomper, Bruce?)

STUD Service - The Tsar announced the appointment of Mikhail Whitski as Marshal of the Army, and placed him in command of all Russia's armed forces. Whitski is known as a hard-liner, and his appointment is seen as a strong move to threaten the Ottoman Empire. The Tsar has been extremely incensed over Turkish claims that Russian peasants are entering Armenia illegally. "That is ridiculous, of course," he was quoted as saying. "Why would a Russian peasant leave the good life in this country for virtual slavery under brutal Turkish masters?"

London (RIP) - An era has ended! Queen Victoria, the British government announced today, is dead at the age of 82, after a reign of 68 years! Even as the Empire weeps, however, plans are swiftly being polished for the coronation of Prince Edward as King. A complete review of the life and death of our late Queen will follow in later editions.

Hazel Park to the Kizitoffs - Maybe you can turn the lights on now?

Oslo (RIP) - The sudden death of Queen Victoria has called Prime Minister Gaughan back to London from his visit here, originally scheduled to last through the Winter. However, upon departing, the P.M. had these comments:

"Of course I am grieved - but Britain now needs firm leadership, especially to quell these hawkish, pro-Austrian infiltrators in Corning. I realize civil disorder has been rumored, but once these factions are stilled, and having left the First Seaborne Division here for treaty maneuvers, I feel confident that Edward will assume a safe and stable throne."

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St. Peerigrad (Spring 1902) - The Spring advertising campaign for Putra-Shave got off to a bang this season as teams of commandoes from an unknown source (but rumored to be sponsored by an international syndicate based in Cockatoo Grove, California) launched attacks on billboards throughout the Frencian Empire. The pre-dawn attacks, launched on the morning of February 14, successfully destroyed every Putra-Shave billboard previously existing. Fortunately, reports on the contents of the newest billboards filtered into press centers here:

The East Bank: Billie Jean King, There's a Queen for You!
Use Putra-Shave

The West Bank: Boycott the Boy Scouts!
Use Putra-Shave

Peeris: Get the Germans Out of France!
Don't Use Putra-Shave!

Peerijavo: Why Bother With WD-40?
Use Putra-Shave.

Peeriguex: Suffering From Defeat?
Use Putra-Shave On Your Hands.

Brussels: We Just Love Men In English Leather,
But Wouldn't Putra-Shave Work Better?

Monaco: Independence Now!
No More Japanese Imports!

Liechtenstein: Wipe Out Peeri!
Use Putra-Shave...

The increasing social comment in Putra-Shave ads was noted here and it appears the French Government has decided to bypass traditional methods of announcing foreign policies in favor of a more personal foreign affairs policy (You can't get much more personal than telling somebody they stink!).

London - After the successful completion of their first mission, Ozzie Overby, leader of Hazel Park cub scout pack 331 and brother of implicated American industrialist Glenn Overby II, announced that he and the pack were on strike unless demands of a case of Bubble-Yum and Captain Marvel comics were met.

Hazel Park to World - I sincerely apologize for truncating this month's press...space considerations make it necessary this time. I'll keep the page-and-a-half of assorted omissions for next time, though...

Contest Corner

There was a bit of confusion in last month's contest over what I was asking for, what with all the language about "British no-standby system" and such...Essentially, the problem is simply to achieve the fastest possible two-way draw with the specified pair of countries, all other nations being in Civil Disorder.

In an unprecedented move, I'm therefore extending last month's contest until June 25th - I repeat the contest questions below:

Contest A - You and a close friend drew Austria and Italy in a game of regular Diplomacy run on a British no-standby system. All five of your opponents are incensed by the two of you being placed side-by-side, and resign. ((This places all other countries into Civil Disorder)) The two of you, instead of knifing each other, agree to play for a two-way draw. Play out the position for Austria and Italy, and see how long it takes for you to split the centers 17-17 while observing the rules of regular Diplomacy.

Contest B - same task, except that you and your friend are Russia and Germany...

Winners of each contest will receive the customary two free issues.

Ben Schilling's and Don Del Grande's contests, announced last month, will be combined in the next issue.

Looking at Next Month

Next month's JIHAD should make up for the missing article content from this issue.

Two items that will definitely appear next issue are an article on tactics and peculiarities in the Mercator III variant, and an article on running Parliament in postal Kingmaker, including a newly-designed module for Parliaments to forestall any further six-month wonders like the one just ending in KM 8001 here.

I also have a stack of game reviews to publish - I'll probably type some up ahead of the end-of-month rush to round out #15.

((For two months down the road, I expect to see a new variant printing and an item on the 20-player World+Watch Diplomacy variant game now drawing to a close at the Detroit Gaming Center.))

WANTED: Articles of approximately one-page length on openings in regular Diplomacy, with emphasis on DIFFERENT ways to play in 1901. I'd like to start publishing a regular series of these, but only if it offers some new perspectives to players. As soon as I get three articles piled up, I'll start the publication of the series.

Anything else? Could be...but I'm not talking.

Summer's finally here ((stuff it, Sunbelt! I know you folks don't make a big deal over warm weather, but it's important up in these parts)) - enjoy it while you can!

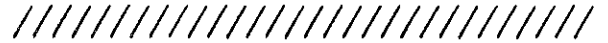


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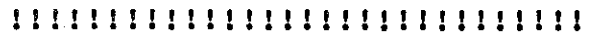
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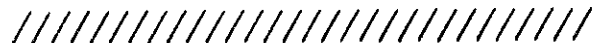
Well, here we are again with another political advertisement for our favorite candidate for Hobby Queen. As you can see, this is the haute couture outfit described by our friend "Accident Al" in last month's 1981 C press. Sequined jumpsuits and genuine lizard high-heeled cowboy boots are just the beginning of the high fashion wardrobe of our stunning Queen-to-be.

Along with her other qualifications, Black Jacquie Masters has the diversified and lovely wardrobe that will make us all proud of our Queen! So please vote, when the balloting starts-Black Jacquie ("Jack" to her many?? friends) Masters for our Hobby Queen!

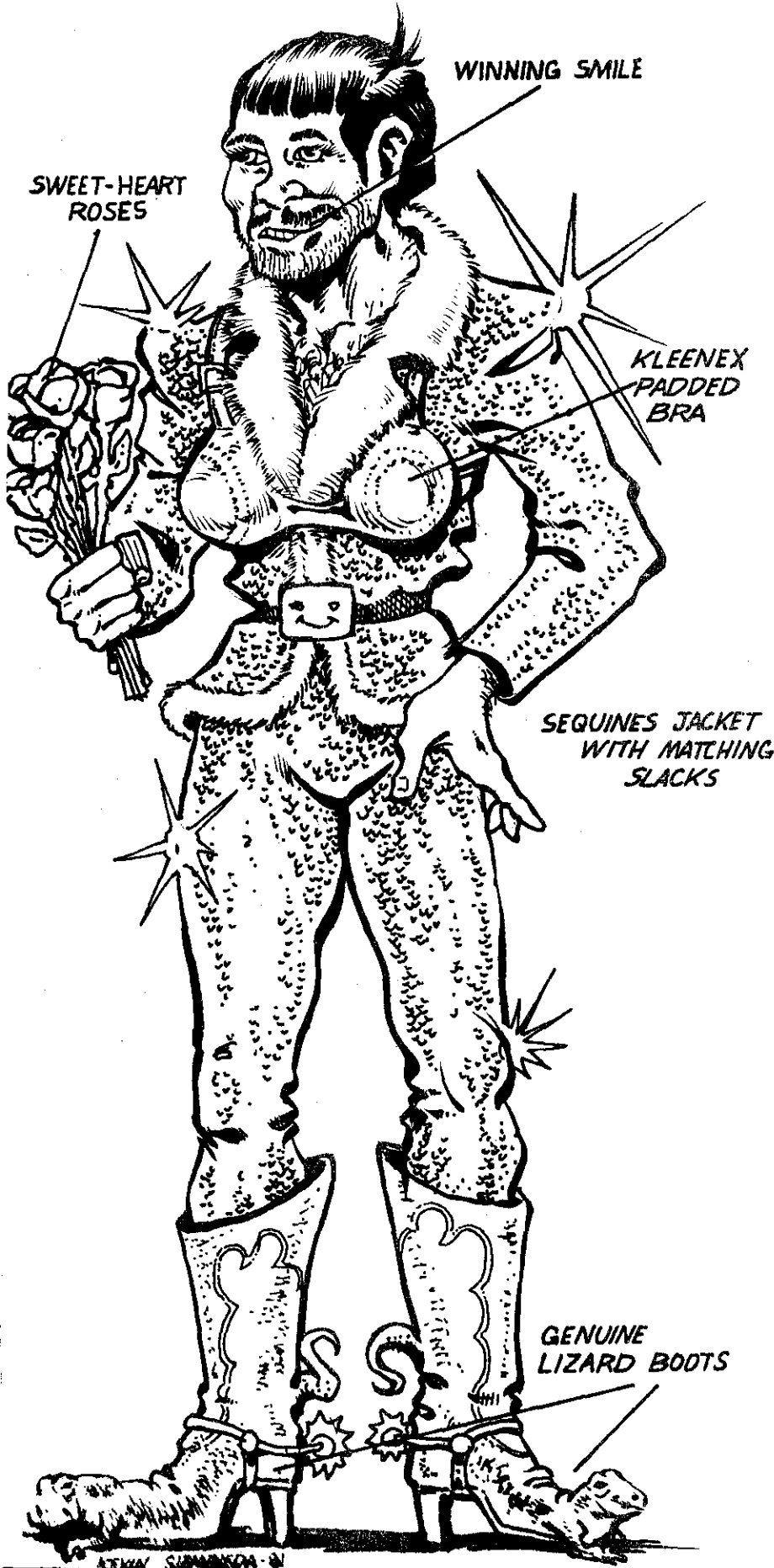


Pam and I are really happy with all our cards and letters. Thanks so much for writing. Pam had strep throat twice this month, so she was especially happy to get the mail. She got to read it all first, maybe I'll beat her to it next month.

We had two more players sign up for our Diplomacy game-the registered players are Pete Gaughan, Tim Bates, David Anderson, John Caruso, and Dan Wilson. Only two more and we can start--thanks.



Jacquie's picture at the left is the work of artist/ game designer Kevin Siembieda.



Guess it's Pam's turn...

#!/ O.K. Caruso, I owe you one!

John Caruso asked me to send in a profile about myself to his zine Whitestonia, however he didn't say when, so I guess he took it upon himself to write one for me, and boy did I change. Before anyone gets the wrong ideas about me, I'd better say a few things.

My nickname is not "Pammie" - it's Woodchuck. I was born Dec. 2, 19.. (and it wasn't 59). I'm 5'6", 125 lb., and have brown hair, blue eyes, a good build, and I'm single (and looking). As for hobbies - what's a hobby? Besides flying, politics, games, men and sleep what else is there? As you know from last time I'm in the Air National Guard, and I'm studying for a degree in law enforcement.

Enough of that. Just remember, Aunt Kathy and Uncle John, paybacks can be fun. /!/
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Pam and I couldn't agree on which burning issue to take up this month--but here is a potpourri of topics we might take up later (or something new might crop up).

Gun control - Pam for, Jeri against; Abortion - both pro-choice; Politics - Pam Republican, Jeri Democrat (I may be the only mother of a Democrat and a Republican who are both on their respective county executive committees).

Civil Air Patrol - the U.S. Air Force auxiliary, it's sort of like a real life Dip variant. With stabs and all. For that comment they'll probably never promote me to Major--oh, well. There again, I'm the only parent I know who had to salute her own son for a year, and I'll have to do so again. Glenn's been put in for Major already, and I have at least another year to go before I'm eligible. Can't win them all.

Detroit Gaming Center - Terry (the weird one) doesn't belong, but the rest of us do.

World affairs - we'd like to run the world just long enough to square it away. Imagine a world where the only violence takes place in a game. Nice, huh? On second thought, the only game I ever threw a fit in was an FTF Dip game. Maybe that would lead to mayhem and disaster.


Games - I hate hexes. We have over 300 games (even some with hexes). One of our favorite games is DeathMaze designed by JIHAD subber Greg Costikyan. Thanks again, Greg, for all those hours of fun.

Men - We both like them.

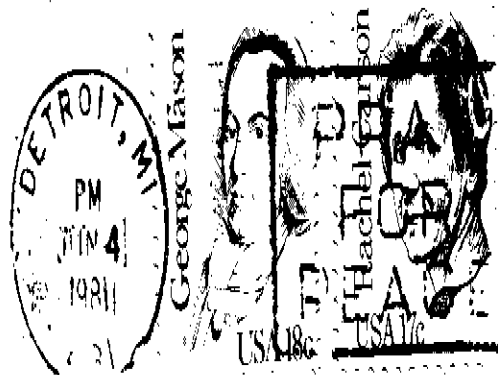
ERA - We're for it; Books - we have several thousand - some in almost any subject you wish to name; Sleep - never enough; Dishes - we can't stand to do them (yay for restaurants); Money - we need more, doesn't everyone?

As I've said before, we have views on almost everything. One of these views is on the two new zines Navel Orange and Peek. We believe that they're done in very poor taste, to say the least, and if Ms. Proskin or Ms. Corfeld were to stop at our house Pam and I would give her a new thought or two. Of course, everyone knows that these two zines are put out by foolish males who seem to have little or no respect for women. No self-respecting female would put up with the nonsense. I feel sorry for their wives-girlfriends-sisters-mothers-etc. Obviously they aren't treated with any kind of courtesy at all.

Now I'll climb down from my soapbox and say two things - Have a nice month; and I'm glad that Glenn doesn't edit this.

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