

LIBERTERREAN

"LIBERTERREAN" is dedicated to all who fight for freedom, equality and joy in this world. We have no argument with those who wait patiently for utopia in the next world, we only ask: "Why should I wait?"

One of our joys is the play of conflict simulations, both face-to-face and play by mail. This 'zine was conceived first as a newzzine, to carry press & propaganda for the hundreds of Battle Plan players. This is still the primary purpose. Battle Plan is a computer simulation developed and run by Richard Loomis, Box 1467, Scottsdale, AZ 85252. The eight pages of rules for BP will be sent to you for 35¢. Then you may enter a BP game for 55¢ per turn (average game is 10 or 11 turns). Or you may pay a one-time game fee of \$3. Richard Loomis also produces a 'zine, The Flying Buffalo's Favorite Magazine, for \$4/6 issues (one year). In addition, he runs several other games on his computer. Write him for more details.

As a member of the IDA (International Diplomacy Association) -- write to Walter Buchanan, RR3, Lebanon, IN 46052; for more details) we also want to help the Diplomacy pbm hobby. We'll adopt at least 2 orphaned Diplomacy pbm games, & we'll run additional games as space allows. Winners of a LIBERTERREAN Diplomacy game will receive a one-year's sub free and may enter one game without a game deposit.

Subscription rates to LIBERTERREAN are \$6.00 for 24 issues (one year). Write to:

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Diplomacy players must deposit a \$1.00 game fee, in addition to the subscription, all of which is refundable when the game ends, or the player is eliminated, provided the player has missed no turn deadlines. Diplomacy games begun in LIBERTERREAN will be insured by the IDA.

Battle Plan players will receive this newzzine free of charge, provided that someone in their game submits a press item each issue, and also provided that each player sends us the name, address, player & game number being played. Players submitting press for BP must include their name, game & player number, and also must include (or prepay) 30¢ for each item of press submitted. BP players who subscribe to LIBERTERREAN, and pay the \$6 rate, need not pay additional amounts for a maximum of one press item per issue. To submit press items for additional games a player must submit the 30¢ fee per item.

BP & Diplomacy press will be printed under the following conditions:

1. No item will be censored or edited in any if the items meets the following conditions.
2. Press must be less than 300 words.
3. We won't print press which appears over the fraudulent signature of another player. You may be anonymous, or sign a whimsical name.



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Quotes from the LIBERTERREAN:

"Every command slaps liberty in the face." -- Michael Bakunin

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BP110(Stockholm)

A state of war now exists between Sweden and Turkey, Sweden and Portugal, Portugal and Netherlands and possibly Portugal and Great Britain. Allies are unclear at this writing. It would appear Sweden and Netherlands are in some kind of accord with Great Britain staying neutral for the most part. Diplomatic sources indicate increased communication between Sweden and Turkey as the eastern Europe area tension mounts. Sources also indicate a personal note of congratulation is on its way to Turkey from Sweden's Minister of Defense Mike Edmonds. The complete destruction of Italy has been a big surprise to the government of Sweden. Apparently Turkey is stronger than most officials thought. One wonders what other surprising developments will be forthcoming in the weeks to come. Will there be a period of peace in order to rebuild ravaged countries or will still more attacks be commenced? Since my office is in Sweden, this author is hopeful of a period of peace in order to transfer quarters. The apprehension is mounting that Sweden is not long for this world. The employees of this office are in favor of moving to a stronger nation such as Great Britain. They can only see a long and bloody war in Sweden. Goodnight for BP news.

BP110 (Amsterdam)

Reports reaching this city indicate that units of the Orange Free State militia have entered Germany, liberating that country from the harsh occupation by Spanish & Portuguese armies. No resistance was met from fleeing Iberian forces as the people of Germany welcome their liberators from the nearby Netherlands. Members of most militia units are reported as being feted and toasted by joyful people in most major cities of Germany.

Units of the air arm of the OFS militia

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BP110 (Amsterdam) cont.

returning from missions over France, Spain, and Portugal report no losses as the enemies defense was totally ineffective. Officials of the Iberian governments are reported to be combing the low lands and Luxembourg, vainly in search for OFS authorities qualified to accept their surrender. Deserters from Iberian armies are being welcomed by those who live in the Orange Free State.

No pow's are taken. All Iberian troops are given the choice of returning to their repressive society, or settling in one of the Free Areas. As you can imagine, few choose to return to the land of the Inquisition.

"The Boxing Match", by Coward Hosell*
(*Any names relating to anyone either living or dead, is purely coincidental, and was not intended by the author.)

Here we are folks, at ringside, in the 110th annual (?) Battle Plan game. Here they are, the world champion boxers, being introduced. They are: The not so great GB's, the IT's, the Nederanthals, the Piggish Portuguese, the Scums, er (sorry) Sweds, and the Great Turkish Empire.

The boxers are taking their places in the corners. And there /s the bell. My oh my, Sweden and Turkey are getting off to a very fast start. But here comes Italy. Italy slugs Turkey right in the Greece. Turkey is down. Loomis is giving the count, 1, 2, 3, and Turkey gets back up. Italy sees the hatred in Turkey's eyes. What's this? Italy just jumped out of the ring and is running away. Turkey starts running after Italy, but Sweden belts Turkey in the Russia! Turkey, oh my, Turkey has just connected on 3 successive punches. Sweden has been hit hard in the Russia, Finland, and Norway. And Turkey hits Sweder hard, yes, very hard. Sweden is down, Loomis is giving the count. 1, 2, 3, 4 Loon announces that Sweden is dead. Thanks to Super Turk, this world has been made a safer place to live in.

BP110 (Bruxelles)

Flash! Late reports from Germany indicate that OFS militia units are deeply in debt to 13,743,176 Polacks who absorbed all of the allied casualties suffered when liberating Germany from the Iberian oppressors.

Militia delegate Iris Van Fenderbender sends her special thanks to the 37 Polacks who personally aided her in navigating the narrow streets of Mainz-am-Rhein without injury.

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About ratings: For the BP games, up-to-the-bi-month ratings are kept by Richard Loomis and are published in his Flying Buffalo's Favorite Magazine.

In Diplomacy, there are several rating systems, kept by various persons. Hoosier Archives, RR3, Lebanon, IN 46052 publishes several rating systems, both of players and of countries. You will also find there, from time to time, the addresses of others who keep rating systems.

Secret diplomacy sent between players will not be handled by the LIBERTERREAN. You must send your secret diplomatic messages directly to the other players. When a game is filled with players who live more than 200 miles distant from each other, we will publish each players' name and address so you may write to them directly. We will only publish game turns, propaganda and other announcements. Perhaps we could provide space for those of you who wish to exchange or sell games. Or there may be other purposes you can think of to use this zine for. Suggest your ideas to us, after all, this is our first issue.

One very good rating system is compiled by Doug Beyerlein, c/o Hydrocomp, 502 Page Mill Rd, Palo Alto, CA 94304. His zine, Washington Reports costs \$1.00 for 5 issues.

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Notice to those who will play
DIPLOMACY in the LIBERTERREAN:

Several of you have asked about air-mail service to distant points. We omitted to think of that and are glad it was brought to our attention. Of course, we will post copies of the LIBERTERREAN by air-mail to those of you who wish it. Since most first-class mail goes out of the bay area by air anyway, it probably won't matter much to anyone west of the Mississippi River and south of the Canadian border.

But we will post your issue by air if you wish. The additional cost to us is 3¢ per issue. So for one year (24 issues) the extra cost to us will be 72¢. So add that amount to your subscription fee if you want air-mail service.

Also: stand-by players will be drawn from subscribers who are not in a game. Stand-by players need not make a \$1.00 deposit when taking over for a player who drops out of a game. If you want to be a stand-by player, please notify us and we will tell you when we expect to need stand-by orders for a player.

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The Society of Strangers science-fiction newsletter (1326 SE 14th, Portland, OR 97214) notes that Portland people are beginning to play games again. Risk, Diplomacy and Avalon Hill games. It appears they plan to meet a couple of times a month. If you're in the area, write them for times and places.

The Vineyard (8 Ravenna Street, Asheville, NC 28803) announces a new publication, The Fighters Home. Subscriptions are \$3.00 per year, or \$8.00 per year for Diplomacy players with air-mail postage. Drop-outs within the first 3 moves receive a \$4.00 refund.