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LIBERTERRREAN

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AUTOMATION

Part of this issue is being done on the Atari 800 with a word processor program. The printer I'm using is not the best quality (far from it: I bought it only to get out program listings), so it may not print very well.

This first thing you might notice is the mailing label. It shows the expiration issue of each subscription, a notation of each name the subscriber is playing, as well as the information the USPS needs to deliver the mail.

The cover graphic is also done by the Atari 800. I'm continually amazed to see the new things this computer can do. Even the Atari company doesn't know all the things it can do. User groups around the country are always writing me to tell them things they don't know about the machine.

I also have a picture of the Atari 800 drawn by the 800. If I have time, I'll put it in.

CIPHER

QHO NKT IKIRIA DUTM HPMX OPI SPC 17 JHE 17 MKA
ELSEP ASOM AP M CANTANT MROE LAL FURKKE KLPNUO
OZGONBUOYH, COT TYARU PC IOLE SP MYSTYXKH DHPWH
SRT ACYRUBRE -- NYRCEANI MUVINK IF RPR
UBRBO GUDAY IPSCI RPR IMXW NYXNH ZG LCL
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KTYAN AI WHURCEI ENNII RAN LOR DIFUYE LER
KDYRB PERFBHOYH YAT X LOPEL OF HOZVMHRSB
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VZC PTR MR UD HONPHYXN QHVA TPRN FNSRK, EZC
FEM SARPE.

"TOP BOARD"

1981 HQ "TOP BOARD" Fall, 1902

- AUSTRIA (Bryg): A bud-GAL* (s) by A VIE*,
A TRI*-ven, F GRE* (s) T.F Aeg-ion (nso),
A SER* (s) F Gre;
ENGLAND (Young): F nao-NWG*, F Iri-NAO*,
F ENG*-nth;
FRANCE (Cheek): A bur-BEL*, F bre-MID*,
A par-GAS* (s) by A spa /d/;
GERMANY (Radonich): A bel-EDI* (c) by F NTH*,
A RUH* (s) Fr.A bur-Bel;
ITALY (Grabar): F was-SPA*sc (s) by A MAR*,
F ION*-seg, A VEN*;
RUSSIA (Kozlowski): F swe-DEN*, A nwy-SWE*,
A war-PRU*, A gal-SIL*, F bla-RUM*;
TURKEY (Ditter): F SMY* (s) F Aeg,
A BUL*-gre (s) by F AEG*, A CON*-bul.

Center Distribution:

Table with 2 columns: Country and Distribution Count. Includes Austria (0), England (-1), France (0), Germany (+2), Italy (+2), Russia (+3), Turkey (0).

The deadline for Winter, 1902 is 1.00 pm, Monday, January 25, 1982.

Press
ROME: Turkey continues to make it harder and harder for me to ally with him. Why do you state peace as your fleets steam into the Med?
Russia-Germany: Our war will benefit only others. You chose your bed -- now lie in it.

Letters

To All LIBERTERREAN PLAYERS:
My fellow PBM enthusiasts:
I have decided to spend more time playing PBM games and allot a more organized time to these games. This will be seeing more involvement on my part in PBM games. I hope this will heighten the enjoyment of all parties involved, and that my former NKS will be forgiven. I hope you have all had a merry and most enjoyable holiday!!
Best Always, Alex Strifan

1981 V

- 1981 V Winter, 1906: SEASONS SEPARATE!
AUSTRIA (Kozlowski): no adjustments;
ENGLAND (Stark): build A LON*;
FRANCE (Walters): no adjustments;
GERMANY (Civil Disorder): no adjustments;
ITALY (Radonich): no adjustments;
RUSSIA (McCaleb): A akr-r-MOS*, F smy-r-SYR*;
remove A boh and F Stpnc.

The deadline for Spring, 1907 is 1.00 pm, Monday, January 25, 1982.



1980 AK

1908 AK, Fall, 1910

AUSTRIA (Miskey): F ion-ADR*, F bla-CON*,
A VIE*-vya, A RUM*-bud, F AEG*-ion, A SEV*
A SER* & A TRI*/4/ (s) each other;

ENGLAND (Graesse): F kie-BAL*, A swe-DEN*,
A hol-KIE* (s) by F HEL*, A yor-BEL* (c) by
F NTH*, A RUT*-bur, F ENG*-bre,

GERMANY (Oaklyn): A per-GAS*, A MUN*-bur;

ITALY (Grabar): A bur-PAR*, A pie-MAR*,
F vya-NAP*, F adr-TRI* (s) by A VEN* & A TYA*,
F TIN*-ion, F BRE*;

RUSSIA (Tuharsky): A war-MOS*, F BER*,
A UKR*-rom, A GAL*-via, A ALB*-ser (s) by A BUD*;

TURKEY (elvil disorder): A ANK*

((summer retreats A tri-r-ALB*: A bud-r-VIE**))

Center Distribution:

AUSTRIA:	vie, ser, gre, bul, smy, con, sev, Wld, RUM (8) 1 short, no room	+1
ENGLAND:	home, den, hol, bel, nwy, swe, kie (9)	0
GERMANY:	mun, par (1)	-1
ITALY:	home, tun, mar, spa, por, bre, PAR, TRI (10) room for 1 build	+2
RUSSIA:	stp, mos, war, ber, rom, tri, BUD (5)	-1
TURKEY:	ank (1)	0

The deadline for BOTH Winter, 1910 AND Spring,
1911 is 1.00 pm, Monday, January 25, 1982

Press:

Vienna to London: Your eloquence is far
more obvious than your military prowess. Con-
gratulations on your recent success. But I
need help. Stop writing speeches and start
writing attacks. Your disheveled ally.

Munich: Burying his head in the thick mud
on the banks of the Rhine River, the Kaiser bub-
bled words of wisdom yet to come. "Hope those
other major powers continue to fight amongst
themselves and leave us alone. Haas't there
been enough destruction of reputations of the
virginity of our young women? Hasn't there been
enough bombed-out German buildings? What else
do they want from me -- alliance?"

1980 IU

1980 IU Fall, 1908: CONCESSION FAILS AGAIN!

ENGLAND (Blanc): F NTH*-bel;

FRANCE (Wells): A MAR* (s) A BUR* (s) A BEL* (s)
A HOL* (s) A Bel, F SPA*sc & F WES* (s) F mid/d/;

GERMANY (Lesch): A PIE*-hol, A BER*-kie;

ITALY (Thanks to Alex Steffan, 1 Margetts Rd.,
Monsey, NY 10952 for taking up this stand-by position:
A ven-r-PIE*; F tys-TUN*, F NAP* (s) A Rom*
A PIE*-red;

RUSSIA (Radonich): F iri-MID* (s) by F ENG* and
F NAO*, A WAL*, A mun-RUH*, A boh-MUN*, A ank-ARM*,
A TYA*-pie, F AEG*-ion, F HEL*-nth, A VEN* (s) T, A
Apu-rom, A TRI* (s) A Ven, A SER*;

TURKEY (Kozlowski): F tys-r-LYO*; A con-ANK*,
F LYO*-spssc, A APU*-rom, F ION*;

Center Distribution:

ENGLAND:	edi (1)	0
FRANCE:	home, spa, por, hol, bel (7)	0
GERMANY:	kie, ber (3)	0
ITALY:	rom, nap, tun, par (3)	-1
RUSSIA:	home, rum, bud, nwy, swe, via, lpl, den, ser, mun, ion, tri, ank, VEN, (16) 3 short	+3
TURKEY:	smy, con, bul, gre, ANK (5)	+1

The deadline for BOTH Winter, 1908 AND Spring, 1909
is 1.00 pm, Monday, January 25, 1982.

Press:

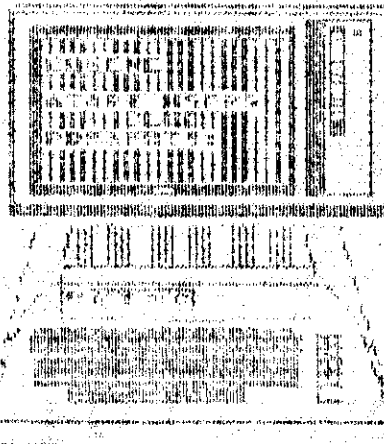
France-World: Who's vetoing these, isn't this
getting ridiculous?

France-Russia: Why don't you just end this?

Paris: I propose a concession to Russia!

((The vote must be affirmative and unanimous.))

Turkey-Russia: Does our war in 1981HQ mean I no
longer get second in 1980 IU?



1980 IW

1980 IW Fall, 1908. THERE IS A CALL TO
CONCEDE THE GAME TO ITALY.
(F edi-r-CLY*)

GERMANY (Eaton): A kie-DEN* (s) by F NTH*,
F ENG*-lon. A mun-SIL*, A ber-PRU* (s) by F BAL*;

ITALY (Wells): F EDI* (s) G.F Nth. F wal-
LPL*, A PIE*, F TYS*, A BOH* (s) G. A mun-Sil,
F WES* (s) F Gre (imp), A RUM* (s) I. A con-
(nso), F GRE* (s) F ION*, A BUD*SA SER* (s) A
Rum, A GAL*-war. F adr-TRI*;

RUSSIA (Brown): F CLY*, F LON*, A SWE*
A sev-mos /a/ (s) by A WAR*, A sil /d/ (s) A
War, A pru-LVA*;

TURKEY (Fleming): A arm-SEV* (s) by F BLA*,
A UKR*-mos. A con-BUL* (s) by F AEG*.

Center Distribution:

GERMANY: home (unless R.A sil-r-Ber), hol,
bel, den, par, bre, (8 or 7) 1 or
2 short +1 or 2

ITALY: home, spa, por, mar, tun, via, ser,
bud, gre, rum, lpl, EDI (14) +1

RUSSIA: stp, mos, war, swe, nwy, lon, sil,
sil (6, unless r-Ber), short, 0 or +1

TURKEY: home, bul, SEV (6) +1

The deadline for BOTH Winter, 1908 AND Spring
1909 is 1.00 pm, Monday, January 25, 1982.

Press:

STP: I propose and vote 'yes' to a con-
cession to Italy! Allen is unstoppable now,
so let's go ahead and give him now the win
he deserves and the win he will ultimately
gain anyhow.

Ankara: Due to the total lack of any co-
operation against the Italian menace -- Turkey
wants to be the first to offer Italy the con-
cession victory. Nice game, Allen. Wait
until next time.

1981 CG

1981 CG: Spring, 1904

AUSTRIA (Oaklyn): A MAR*-spa.

ENGLAND (Kozlowski): F nwg-NWY*, F ENG*,
F BAR*-spnc. A lpl-YOR*, F swe-BOT*;

FRANCE (Hugh): A PIC*, A GAS*-mar,
F MID*-spasc. F BRE*-mid.

GERMANY (Graessle): A ber-PRU* (s) by
F BAL*, A BUR* (s) A MUN*, A BEL*, A LVA*-war;

ITALY (Fowers): A tya-BOH*, A ven-TYA*,
A PIE*, F nap-ION*, F ion-AEG* (s) by F GRE*
A tri-SEK*;

RUSSIA (Cheek): F bot-STP*sc (s) by A MOS*
A pru /a/-war, A SIL*, F BLA*-sev, A ser-BUD*;

TURKEY (Steffan): A rum-UKR*, A bul-RUM*,
F ARM*-sev, F CON*-bla, F aeg /d/;

The deadline for Fall, 1904 is 1.00 pm,
Monday, January 25, 1928

Press:

Russia to Turkey: It is only a game! Why
not calm down and start looking for an ally af-
ter I disappear to survive you need someone.

Russia to Italy: I regret I have only 4
units to give for my country!

Marseille Underground Ragtime: Secret documents
were disclosed today, showing the dastardly English
trick of cloaking their armies in total darkness, with
a further shield of sealed plastic to keep the stench
in. "Oh come on, Kozlowski. We know you are honest
(tongue in cheek). But, when you get together with
that guy Bumer's, or whatever, how can we tell where
the yellowish-brown went (that will teach you to re-
cover the diplomacy game your friends stole from my
home on your third visit as 'guests')", the new ruler
of Marseille was heard saying. "We saw the convoy of
your secret army from Wales to Picardy, in the Fall of
the year 1902. There it sat, through Spring, 1903,
unmolested, sitting on its arses. Once again that army
went unnoticed during the heavy snow(job)s of the Fall
of 1903, cloaked, as it were, by the gamespersonage.
And, now, you, Sir(s) are condoning the making of an-
other "flying Englishman" (a new phrase coined by ten-
tative rules of Marseille, one going by the name of
Bernie Oaklyn, I hear (that maybe being his latest
name, of course). So, sir(s), in cahoots, take that
"flying Englishman" off the gameboard, and at once."
Yelling this at the top of his lungs, he headed for
his box of Smith Brothers cough drops, further mutter-
ing, "Bump's, don't you dare edit this!"

((Have I missed something? -- JB))

Colesville to Eugene: Did I just buy a Spring,
1904 deadline? And, does that mean the English have
removals of army Liverpool, or the "Flying Dutchman"
in Picardy? We have to know, and certainly, in all
fairness, the sleeping Franchman, Hugh, has to be
given a chance to recover and submit conditional
moves. Hah!

((Come on guys, are you trying to tell me some-
thing? -- JB))

Marseille - an exile: Once more we focus on the
limits of the soul as viewed through the lens of his-
tory, and see a lonely exile from Austria, very lonely
as he is alone in a lonely space of time. As viewed
through the 6th dimension, a time warp in a black hole
(a space and time warp in itself) (How does something
become in itself?), we see a ravaging, raving maniac
loose in the hills just below the tumults of the Pied-
mont. Picking his toes and rubbing between his nose,
this lunatic puts it to you guys, a challenge, more or
less, or less, or more, to keep this Austrian unit
alive, no matter what, even on an NMR. Think you guys
are smart enough to pull it off, with mvtrying to
dissolve the unit?

Yorkshire: The Royal British Army has finally
completed its tour of southern England. This well-
reated, well-supplied army is now ready to embark on
a foreign mission. First destination: St. Petersburg.
Russia, where they will learn the delights of fine
vodka, warm fireplaces and friendly Russian women (in
reverse order of importance, of course). Word has it
the women of southern England are organizing a protest
against their departure.

Turkey: The troops move out. Reporters sense a
climax in the making as armies and fleets clash.

Turkey-Russia: Next time when I write about an
alliance, at least consider it! This may have cost
you the game. Next time, I suggest, consider all the
possibilities before immediately accepting one alli-
ance. I wish you luck in our next game together. All
is forgiven and forgotten.

Turkey-Italy: I predict you will win! I hope you
have enjoyed our game together! Please take Russian
colonies first, then my home centers.

Turkey-Germany: I hope you've paid all accounts
with Russia this turn.

Turkey-England: I want at least Sev, maybe Mos,
what do you think?

Turkey-Austria: I like your style.

Turkey-France: Go south young man, go south!!



1981 IJ

Junta

1981 IJ "GOOD GAME" Fall, 1901

AUSTRIA (Tuharsky): A gal-RUM*,
F all-GRE* A SER* (s) R. F rum-Bulec;

ENGLAND (McCaleb): F rwg-NWY*,
A yor-BEL* (s) by F NTH*.

FRANCE (Cottle): F mid-POR*,
A BUR*-mar, A mar-SPA*;

GERMANY (Serrechia): A kie-DEN*,
A MEN*-bur, F HOL* (s) E.A yor-Bel,

ITALY (Stark): F ion-TUN*,
A PIE*-mar, A VEN*-pie;

RUSSIA (Steffan): F bot-SWE*,
A sev-ARM*, F rum-BUL*ec, A UKR* (s)
A.A bal-Rum;

TURKEY (Oaklyn): F bla-SEV*,
A bul /a/ -rum, A CON*-bul.

Center Distribution:

AUSTRIA:	home, SER, GRE, RUM (6)	+3
ENGLAND:	home, BEL, NWY (5)	+2
FRANCE:	home, SPA, POR (5)	+2
GERMANY:	home, HOL, DEN (5)	+2
ITALY:	home, TUN (4)	+1
RUSSIA:	stp, war, mos, \$\$\$, SWE, BUL (5)	+1
TURKEY:	home, SEV (4) one short	+2

The deadline for Winter, 1901 is 1.00 pm,
Monday, January 25, 1982. No 2-issue
deadline for Winter adjustments

Press

Russia-England: Ian, watch it!
Russia-Turkey: I realize you said you
are allied with Austria, but come on!

Anonymous: I hereby call for a vote on
a concession to Italy. Such brilliant moves
should be rewarded. The rest of us obviously
don't stand a chance.

The Fall of Sevastopol. The Sultan sent a
dispatch, via Saint Bernard, the Dog of course,
to His Majesty, The Tsar, and his lovely wife,
the Tsarina Denise, which read, if Russians can
read: "Hey, Buddy (no pun intended)! Can you
not read the 'signs' of the 'times'? We have
ordered (I hope!!!) army Galancia to Ukrania to
divert their interest. Fleet Black Sea to Savas-
topol, to soil-test the sand there, and army Bul-
garia to Rumania to take the place. You, Sir,
could have ordered one army to support the other
into Rumania, and saved the day if we did orga-
nize our thoughts on the matter. Now, Sir, what
will you do to save Sevastopol -- build army Mos-
cow and forego Warsaw, silly?" With the news of
demise at hand, the Tsar boxed up his lovely wife
and shipped it off to the Silly Sulcan with a
message which read: "Trade!"



JUNTA

Coup Phase One: No rebels seen on the streets!
Coup Phase Two:

The Presidential Guards searched the Cathedral for
religious fanatics rumored to be organizing the rebel-
lion. The Air Force bombed the Palace on govt orders
trying to wipe out this nest of rebellion, but succeed-
ed only in wiping out 2 Presidential Guard regiments.

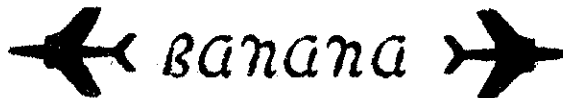
The 1st Bde enters the South River; the 2d P.R.
enters the East Middle Class area; and the 3d Bde
enters the North Suburb area.

Coup Phase Three:

The 1st Bde enters the Tracks; the 1st P.R.
enters the East Middle Class area; and the 3d Bde
also enters the East Middle Class area.

The Ayres family has sold all its interests in
Costaguana to the Steffan family: Alex Steffan,
1 Margetts Rd., Monsey, NY 10952.

The Palace: The Air Force has been flying too
high. I suggest anyone who believes his story read
the rules of the game. Also on the average, the bud-
get runs 8 to 9 BP a turn. So since I've given 6 a
turn this is not a vast amount I've saved. Further,
if you want the old regime back -- look back on what
he gave out. You want to trust him?



BANANA Turn 16

UOF -- AF: cn2716, 2313, 2815
HT & Inf-cn0910 @ Infx2-cn(1009) NE
Sherman-cn1616 @ Inf-cn1716 NE
UOF-F @ Sherman-dn1214 -- NE; @ Chaffee/Inf-dn1315
-- NE; @ Tank Marines--dn1315 -- NE;
UOF-B @ sherman-cn1616 -- NE; @ CAS-cn1109 -- NE;
UOFx3-B @ Pershing-cn1614 -- NE, NE, NE
Bazooka-cn1009 @ HT-cn0910 -- NE
6 pdr-dn0610d @ Sherman-dn1315 -- NE
RR-dn1312 @ Sherman-dn1212 -- NE
Inf-cn(1817) @ Inf-cn1618 -- NE
Bazooka-cn1716 @ Sherman-cn1616 -- NE
Inf-dn0917 @ 6pdr-dn0610 -- NE
Inf-cn1009 CA & DE HT/Inf entering hex

Sm-1: cn2805, 2809, 2606, 3008;
Sm-2: cn0808, 0916, 1210, 1207, 1110, 1509, 1114, 1010,
1113, 0813, cn2211, 1914, 1812, 2008, 2215
IF-2: cn1817(3);
IF-3: dn1013, 0813, 1114, 0715
CAS-3: cn1007, 1109, 1507
Inf--cn(2317)*, 2318, 2020*, 1716*, (1009x2)*;
dn1312*, 0716*, HT--dn0618a;
Shermans--cn1614x2*, 1616b*; Pershing--cn1614b*

RATINGS: Cottle = 2.73; Seman = 0.32



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RUSSIA

TURN 15

UOF-D @ STG-c2810 -- NE
 IF-1: h2418(3), 2018, 2219, 2016; g1716(3), 1718, 1615(4), 2513(3), 2714(2), 2716(4), 2517(2), 2316(4), 2314(5);
 IF-2: h2416, 2016(4), 2418, 2219; g1716(7), 1915(2), 1515, 0905(2), 1106(4), 0911(2), 0708(2), 1203(3), 1406, 1207(2), 1006, 1004(3), 2517(2), 2714(3), 2314, 2316(2), 2513(2);
 IF-3: a0706, 0909, 0509, 0507;
 IF-4: g1203
 Sm-1: a1917, 1416, 1918, 2016, 2117, 2216; h0409, 0309, 0408, 0611; c2911, 2912, 3009, 1015, 0816, 3013; and, a1619, 1720, 1820
 Sm-2: a0915, 0513, 0716, 0913, 0515
 STG--c2711c*, 2811c*; 88--c2313c*

NORWAY

TURN 15

AXIS ACHIEVE 10:1 AVI
 Priest-c-f1819f @ STG-f1719 -- NE
 SMG-f2018 CA & DE HT/gun-f2019
 SMG-f1818 CA & DE Priest-f1819
 SMG-f1520 CA & is DE by SMGx2-f1619
 SMG-f0916 @ SMG-f0815 -- DE
 IF-1: m2516(2), 2514, 2317;
 Sm-1: h2215; m1807, 1708,
 Sm-2: f1321, 1720, 0617, 0817, 0917, 0922, 1020,
 1021, 1120, 0920, 1017, 1018, 1120, 1322, 1420, 1620,
 1219, 1621, 1722, 1520. NO SPOTTED UNITS.

FRANCE

TURN 15

SMG-m(1908) @ Inf-m2007 -- NE
 Inf-m2007 CA & is DE by SMG-m1908
 Daimler-m1504c @ SMG-m(1908) -- NE
 Sm-1: m1609; Sm-2: m2312
 IF-1: m1407, 2507(4), 2708, 2007(2), 1806;
 IF-2: m2606(9), 2605(7), 2804;
 CAS-3: m2207
 M8 last seen--f2109b*(x2); HT-m1707c*;
 Inf--b1903*; m2707*, 1508; Sherman--m1604c*;
 Daimler--m1604c*

INDIA

TURN 15

AF @ d0810; IF-1: c2105(2), 2306(3), 2308, 2109, 1908, 1906(2); IF-2: c2105, 2107(4), 2308(2), 1908; IF-4: g0915, d0611, 0613(2); c2105, 2306;
 Sm-1: h2708, 3011, 3009, g0312, 0410, d0518
 0716; NO SPOTTING CHANGES

MICROINDIES

TURN 18

UOFx3-A @ Grant-b1909 -- NE, DE, DE
 UOF-F @ Grant-b1608 -- NE; UOF-D @ Grant-d1516--DE,
 Sm-1: b1606; Sm-2: b1103, 1102, f1906;
 IF-1: d2018, 221*(3), 2221(3), 2022(3), 1821(2), 1819(2); IF-2: d2019; IF-3: m2102;
 CAS-3: d1419(2), 2019;
 SMG--d1810*, 1922*, 1921*; HT--d1922d*;
 T95H--m1902a; Grant--1505a*

RATINGS 1 Cottle = 2.99, 2 Frediani = 1.52;
 3 Bonkowski = 0.77, 4 Seman = 0.61,
 5 Phrogus = 0.44, 6 Nester = 0.31

TOLTHABE

TURN 15

Inf-b1214 @ Infx2-b1113 -- NE, NE
 Inf-b0712x2, 1012 @ Inf-b1214 -- NE, DE
 Inf-b1012, 0912 @ Inf-b1114 -- DE
 Inf-b1114 @ Infx2-b0912 -- NE, NE
 Sm-2: b0811, 0816, 1113, 0714, 1014, 0716, 0814, 0912;
 IF-2: a0811; NO SPOTTED UNITS!

AESIR

TURN 15

Inf-b(2316) & mtr-b(2416) @ Infx2-b2415 -- NE, NE
 UOF-F & Dx2 @ Inf-b3011 -- S
 Mtr-c0711 @ Inf-b0810 -- NE
 Inf-c1009 CA & is DE by Mtr-c0711
 Infx2-b2415 CA & DE Mtr-b2416
 IF-1: a2208(2), 2204, 2005(2); c0517, 1017;
 CAS-2: c0613;
 Inf--c(0616)*, 0412*, 0810x2*; b3011*, 2416x2*;
 (2316)*; APC--c0612d*; Mtr--c0711*;
 Hwtzr--b(2315c)*; CP--c0617; b2317

EIRE

TURN 15

Inf-c2210 @ Infx2-c2009 -- NE, NE
 Inf-c1608, 1507, & 1606 @ Inf-c2210 -- NE
 IF-1: c1509(2), 1306, 1308; a1218, 1220;
 NO SPOTTING CHANGES.

RATINGS: 1. Bonkowski = 14.77; 2. Phrogus = 13.86;
 3. Frediani = 4.80; 4. Bryg = 2.20; 5. Cottle = 0.5
 6. Steffan = 0.29; 7. Eynon = 0.09; 8. Olson = 0/35

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BAKU (SPI.AH): Good tanks their Ruskies! Poland has a lot to worry about alright -- like which infant is going to get the honors of CA'ing your HQ units! But do keep it to 1 or 2 tanks a turn. Any more and it gets -- dare I? -- iffy! --Love, Turkey.



Press Corps

AR42

Moderating AB isn't very much fun this turn. In the last few days I received letters from Cottle, Seman, and Frediani containing complaints about my moderating. This isn't unusual. Their letters always contain complaints. But these latest letters reach a new crescendo of intensity (or else I'm just becoming more sensitive). Cottle and Seman usually have a half dozen or so items about which to complain. Frediani seldom has complaints of his own, but not to be left out, he feels he must complain about the errors cited by Cottle and Seman, too.

Now I've never minded being told of the errors a player finds in a turn. And I haven't minded using citations of GM errors in areas of diplomacy. What I do mind is the suggestion that it's my fault someone is losing a scenario, or that my errors are causing someone to lose the enjoyment he once received from playing AB.

If you don't enjoy the game, don't play. I'm not saying anything else. I don't want anyone to quit the game, but my advice to anyone is to play for enjoyment! If you can't enjoy -- don't play. But I do want to place these errors in perspective.

You 2 players also all played AB back when we had a Panic Rule. You know (and should remember) we abolished that rule in favor of enshrining GM error as a substitute Panic Rule. I know Cottle remembers, because he usually closes each item of complaint with a sarcastic "Panic, right?". Right! In my view, trading GM error for the old Panic Rule works out to everyone's advantage. The GM no longer has to double-check all plots, and then triple-check for panic. The players no longer see 10% of their units panic for each Panic Level of their force. Do you really want to go back to that? I don't. If you want a Panic Rule so you can set me to correct GM errors, I'll go for one like this: Each turn I roll a D10. If it's <= one's Panic Level, I write "PANIC" across the turn sheet and send it back unexecuted. Will that be better? Surely, you don't think in real life all units follow the orders given them by commanders?

Like I say, don't stop telling me about the errors I make. I want to know. But the only reason I enjoy moderating PRM games is because players enjoy it, and I enjoy moderating games which players enjoy. If you cease to enjoy a game, stop playing it. Don't try to dump all your frustration and bad feelings on me. That's not what I'm here for, and I don't take it very well. If you can think of a Panic Rule which is easy to moderate, make a suggestion for change. You know I like change!

On the subject of change, the change to the ARAB rules will be welcome to me. I think I'll enjoy it a lot more than the current rules. Even though I want it, I don't want to impose ARAB upon any unwilling players. Maybe we can make them voluntary! Those who want ARAB, ok; those who don't, can still play by the old rules. The ARAB rules don't change the AB 8 Tactical Rules at all, except for hardening up CAS (by requiring more AA hits to DE the ME attack value) and for changing some of the tactical unit values (which change from year to year anyway, everytime I find out something new about the units).

Anyway, some of us have had the ARAB rules to look over for some months now. And there are still several weeks before 1943 begins. So let's give the rules some serious consideration, ok? I'm sure I'll enjoy moderating the new rules.

AR42 PRESS

What's this? The Bear speaks? Typically, when the Soviet Union mentions the Turkish or Hungarian fronts, just because the Poles are known to have things up a bit he starts pointing on them. Guess we shouldn't be too hard on the old bear, though, it's not often he sets in on us. Are you keeping an eye on the beaches in Normandy? Remember what I told you.

Guess we haven't heard too much from the Bear lately. What's the matter, BB got your tongue?

Berlin to Ankara! You bet your eyes we're serious. Think you could let a few of those boys over there get out from around the hill and I can get a chance at them?

POLAND (somewhere and everywhere)

As Karl and Ivan stared solemnly into the sun, they envisioned the "spirit" of their comrade ABC Alphonse's disappearing into the air.

"Well, at least what he did wasn't all in vain. He did get some response from the Bear. So what should he do now? Should we pack up our kielbasa, go back into improved positions and wait until the year is done?"

"Definitely not, that will ruin the whole 'spirit' of the [unclear] war."

"Well then, what else can we do to keep the Bear from acting like a hero?"

"I'm not sure, but maybe, just maybe, the Bear has finally got enough and the taste of blood will make him drink!"

Unfortunately for Ivan and Karl, they didn't know Vice Admiral Nesterov had received some disconcerting intelligence reports from Moscow of which it has been rumored the Bear has said "Make us up when the year is over."

Let us hope that, in the "spirit" of the year, the Bear becomes an action player rather than a dormant one. Come on Big Bad Bear, show us how you do it, let's finish the year with a bang, if you dare.

DEAR PRESS

TULACAH-SPI: All of the United Empire are in mourning over the death of the Reverend Spook. It seems he swallowed his obsidian sword.

FIRE: With the new change in policies, the Irish are asked to provide 1000K. This combined with the luck of the Irish should see us off to Basra soon, and possibly the Potato Reservation and Larnhall.

FIRE-DAGDA: Look before you leap, or you may find your foot in your mouth.

FIRE-All Major Powers: Please write me, either directly, or thru the LIB. My address/phone is: Alon Greffar, 1 Margents Rd., Monsey, NY 10952; phone (914) 356-4151, weekdays 5-10 pm. Weekends I'm seldom home, but you can try between 11 am-8pm. PS: I'm most willing to trade research projects, units, or knowledge.



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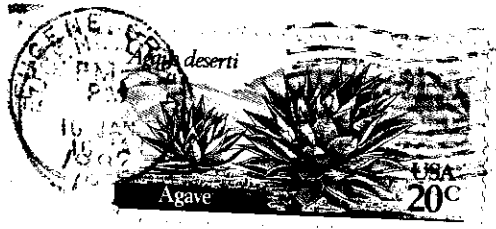
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