

Lies, Deceit & nefarious Schemes

Issue 17

"First Anniversary Issue"

July 15, '78

Well in reality we are one week short of our anniversary but what the hey, 'ey wat. Actually the official date for LDNS was July 23rd. Not too shabby. How many other zines can make that statement? This issue should be dedicated to a number of people. One would be my wife, who at the present time is typing up the games portion of the zine. Another would be Dave Ditter and Jim Diehl who in the beginning were an inspiration and who have continued to provide welcomed guidance. In line here would be all of you subscribers who have stuck with me through thick and thin. (Some of you have stuck me other places too.) I also want to Thank "BJ" for his own "personal" way of handling complaints. (He eats them!) I should like to also Thank Shadow, my dog, for bringing five new puppy's into our household. (That really doesn't fit in here but... anyone want a puppy?) And finally I wish to thank myself for my undieing idiotcy every three weeks.

By the way, did I mention that this is LDNS, published by Jerry H. Jones, 1854 Wagner St. Pasadena, CA 91107 (213) 449-0982? If not, too bad. LDNS is designed to promote the play and personal enjoyment of Diplomacy which is a game? invented! by Allan Calhamer and copyrighted by Avalon Hill.

Game Openings: There are four brave souls signed up for LDNS-11. This will be the last game for quite a while. At least until some of the others die down. As for the Kingmaker game there are two people signed up and there is space available for three more. Game fees for Diplomacy are \$2.00 plus a refundable \$2.00 one NMR or less deposit. Game fees for the Kingmaker game is a flat \$2.00.

WHATS GOING ON?

All publishers please take note. There is a chance that Diplomacy World may be cancelling the "Need a Game" segment of their magazine. Whether or not this happens the IDA wishes to announce that we are planning to include in Diplomacy Review our own "Need a Game" segment. Also the IDA-NA is beginning the final draft of the novice package and inside this package will be a "Need a Game" segment that will be continuously updated every month or so. Now what I need is to be kept informed of your game openings. Drop me a note or simply make a notation on your zine when you send it to me so that I may be kept abreast of your openings. Who knows, maybe you'll pick up a new subscriber or two.

While we're on the subject of the IDA-NA Bill Young has been officially given the Treasury. Should you wish to join you should send \$2.00 as your dues to Bill Young, PO Box 907 Clearfield, PA 16830.

Speaking of the Boardman Numbers Custodian, I have read that Cal White is wishing to relinquish the BNC. The only name that I have heard mentioned so far has been Dennis Agosta's. I think that Dennis would do a fine job but I think that one of the best BNC's was on the West Coast and I would like to see it here again. Now who do I know that lives on the WC and is crazy enough to start something new? Well there's always me...

On the negative side, it appears that Watergate, Cliff Mann's zine, is folding. I understand that Cliff is being transferred and Watergate will go no mo. Too bad, really.

On a brighter note: Congratulations to Liberteeran for its 100th issue. (That should be Liberteerian) Jim Bumpas is to be patted on the back for putting out a fine zine, every two weeks and still finds time and space to apply some very interesting reading. Well done, Jim.

DipCon XI is over and the UNofficial results are First place Jim Lagersum, Second ???, third, Doug Beyerlein and Fourth was Jim Bumpas. Congrats. (Two out of the four receive LDNS regularly. Think there's a connection?)

The First Official LDNS Players Rating:

This system is not totally comprehensive but I think that it is fairly fair and even if it isn't its fun for me to do.

So here is how the system works: The basic number is found by dividing your total number of supply centers by the number of Fall turns played. Multiply that number by 2. Add to that the number of players that you are doing better than. Now divide that number by the number of games you are in as the original player. For the winner points they run like this:

- 1 Winner: 6pts
- 2 way draw: 3 pts each
- 3 way draw: 2 pts each
- 4 way draw: 1 pt each
- 5 way draw: 0.5 pts each
- 6 way draw: 0.25 pts each
- 7 way draw: 0.00 pts

That number will be divided by the number of games and added the the first number that we arrived with from the above paragraph.

Bonus Points: These points are not divided by the number of games and are added after the above figuring is done.

Should you complete the entire game win lose or draw: 0.2 times your points for that game.

Should you lose all of your units but have played the entire game, at least until you were out= 0.1 points per Fall turn.

You lose 0.2 points every time you NMR.

Standby's: Counts if it is equal to or better than your current standing.

Drop out: Adds one game to your game number total.

Resign: No charge.

Now for some results: (Based on games after Fall'03)

- 1. Andy Tomcufcik 7.00
- 2. Steve Shields 7.00
- 3. Jim Bumpas 6.60
- 4. Leland Harmon 6.50
- 5. Ken Peterson 6.50
- 6. Chuck Spiekerman 6.34
- 7. John Morris 6.10
- 8. Tom Sherwood 5.50
- 9. Roger Bermingham 5.20
- 10. Tim Long 4.85

As an added bonus here are the best country's (based on games after Fall '03)

Country	Best Country	Score	Avg Score
AUSTRIA	STEVE SHIELDS	4.50	3.56
ENGLAND	LELAND HARMON	4.00	2.34
FRANCE	JOHN MORRIS	3.6	2.44
GERMANY	CRAIG REGES	5.50	2.78
ITALY	JIM DIEHL	3.34	1.30
RUSSIA	MITCHELL BAILES	2.66	0.70
TURKEY	TIM LONG	3.84	1.67

I was shocked to see that Austria is doing the best as a whole over all of the other countries and that Russia was doing soooooo poorly.

Oh well, I hope that this was of some interest to at least one of you. I find it fun. If I get any kind of "good vibes" on this I will print the top ten and best countries each issue.

DipCon XI

My Ghod, am I glad that that's over. Now don't get me wrong, it was fun and I met some people that I am ever so thankful to have had the chance to meet but maybe next time I'll do it one at a time rather than 25 an hour.

It all started out wrong. Cal White couldn't get a plane out of Canada. Andy Cook's ride from the airport was 1/2 an hour late. Bob Hartwig (and the plane he was on) arrived two hours late. In fact the only one who came on time was Tony Watson. Tony brought along two friends, Tom "Maddog" Mirti and Bill Colburn. I didn't get to bed until 5:30 that morning which wouldn't be so bad except for the fact that I had to get up at 7:00 to go to work.

A note is now in order for everyone who will be meeting someone from the "Diplomacy Crowd" soon. Never, I repeat never expect to find what you expect to find. If you think that he is tall, he will be short; if you

are positive that he is young he will be old (older, anyway). I learned my lesson. NOBODY looked like they were supposed too. Oh, well, back to DipCon.

I didn't go to DipCon on Friday. Instead I stayed home with Andy and Bob. I invited a friend, Dan Brownell (now he looked like what I expected, whats wrong with you guys?) Art Hard showed up and we had a five man FTF game. I'd mention who won but I am not into bragging. At least I got to bed at a decent time, 4:30 and it wasn't until 7:15 that I woke up.

On to DipCon. Saturday the Dippy Widow and I went to Northridge. Never having been to a convention before maybe my hopes were too high but was I disappointed. The whole convention appeared to be hap-hazard. Actually the Diplomacy tournament was the only thing that seemed to resemble what I had anticipated. When we got to the tournament we ran into Tony right away. I knew it was Tony by the smile on his face. Now let me tell you about Tony. This guy is always smiling. He loses, he smiles; he's always smiling! In fact I'll bet you that when he dies it'll take three days for the mortician to get the grin off his face.

Soon after I had arrived I saw someone frantically running down the halls shouting into each room, "Is Jerry Jones in there?" My head began to swell, "do they know I'm here already?" "probably another autograph seeker" so finally I spoke up and said, "I say, are you the chap looking for Jerry Jones? Well I am he."

He said oh, great, shoved a zine into my hands and ran off saying something about having to get back to his ally. I grabbed my ego from the floor and continued on to meet others.

At noon Rod Walker had asked that Bob Hartwig, Andy Cook, Doug Beyerlein, Walter Buchanan, Robert Bryan Lipton and myself meet him at a local restaurant for lunch. The first thing I learned about Rod is that he's one hell of a diplomat. He didn't tell me that he was buying lunch until after I had ordered. Any way, pretty fast crowd I hung around with, eh? We talked and talked and were able to express our views in person which a lot easier then by mail.

Walt asked Pat if she'd write something for DW. There has been no living with her since. Looks like I'm becoming a Diplomacy Widower.

Back to the convention. I got in the Unofficial Losers Game. I soon found out that I had a flair for lying (CONTRARY TO MY POSTAL PLAY). I got so involved in lying that I lied to everyone. Jim Bumpas (the crazy man with the zine) showed up, looked at the game and he asked me which country I was. I told him Russia, I even had lied to an onlooker. (I was England) The game was forced to a halt prior to completion due to supper. Modesty prevents me from saying who was over-whelming on top when the game ended.

The worst bit of planning I had ever witnessed was yet to come. The diplomacy tournament was over about five o'clock yet the two Diplomacy seminars were not to be held until 8:30 and 9:30. More people showed up then I had expected but you could still have put them in a well sized phone booth. It wasn't the quality of the seminars, just the time.

The first seminar was held by Walt Buchanan, Rod Walker, Doug Beyerlein and Robert Bryan Lipton. About Mr. Lipton for a minute. I had gone to the convention expecting to hate him. Something he had said in his zine about me made me mad. (Not really what he said about me but rather that he put me in the same paragraph as Konrad Baumeister.) It was an interesting talk. The title of the subject was on the future of the Diplomacy hobby, but as Mr. Lipton pointed out it soon became a talk on the future of Diplomacy World. Either way it was interesting.

The second seminar was about the IDA-NA and on the site selection for next years DipCon. On the panel was Andy Cook, Bob Hartwig and yours truly. Here again I was disappointed but that is between me and others, not for print at this time. Anyway the site selection became chaotic. Finally, with the help of Rod Walker some sense was made. The list for next years site are in this order: 1. Origins (if it is on the East Coast) 2. MichiCon 3. PennCon or 4. Origins no matter where it's at. Now all we have to find out is just who wants us.

Now, for me anyway, the convention was over. I went home and straight to bed (3:30 in the morning) but never fear, I slept in. All the way to 7:30.

In conclusion, I enjoyed myself. I ran into Dave Ditter there and he said that he was going to show me how to play France. I already know how to play France that way, Dave. I met Tom Sherwood and his wife.

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Tom and I got into a game and he proved to be a good ally (heh, heh, heh). (Just getting pre-even in case something should happen in -CR). Eric Verheiden was there (he was the only one there who came close to looking as to what he should). Eric had the greatest line that I had heard during the entire convention. He told a Turkish player who had gotten his Russian ally to attack England, Germany and Austria in 1901; "That he (the Turk) was going to play 'til the last Russian." Fitting. I also had the extreme fortune to meet and talk to Jack Powers, who in less than a week would be in a draw with... (need I say it?...me). Jack and his wife, Teresa proved to be two of the nicest people that I met there. Teresa's cuter than a bug's ear and I couldn't believe that she is the mother to four rug rats. Jack's a little strange. How many people do you know that carry a ream of paper in the trunk of his car while he is on vacation? Anyway, thanx again for the paper. Tom Mirti is just strange, but what can you expect from someone called "Maddog"? Actually Tom did good in the tournament. If there were Best Countries awards Tom would have gotten one for Germany. Tony would have gotten one for Africa (bet he's still smiling). Tony's friend Bill was too quiet to really get to know. He didn't say much but when he did you knew that it was important but if you weren't into science fiction you couldn't understand it, so I just nodded and laughed pretending not to look the fool.

So that was DipCon XI. So be it.

((A little note. I never make fun of people that I don't like and I hope that those of you that I poked a little fun at don't take it too seriously. In fact I like everyone that I met that weekend but being the kind of person that I am I want to say that there were three people (and one wife) (now that's not to say that wives aren't people that's to say that people...nevermind. Let me re-write that before I get any letters.) there were FOUR people that that I really took to and really love. Tony Watson, Jim Bumpas, Jack Powers, and Teresa Powers. (Now that's not to say that I love your wife Jack, but that...why did I ever start this sentence?) Seriously these are four of the best people that you could ever want to meet and I (and Pat) are thankful that we were given the opportunity to meet them and the many others that were on our paths that weekend.

Editorial

LDNS...Where To Now?

On the eve of the official first year I felt that I'd look to the future and pass along some of the things I am looking for in the coming year.

Next year, as this one, I will attempt to maintain the publishing record that I have set for myself. There may be one drastic change. Don't cancel your subs just yet for this is only thought. I am finding that being a three week zine on the West Coast it takes a little more time for it to get to everyone than it would, say from the Midwest. So to make it easier for the people back East LDNS may go to a Four week deadline. Being as strict about the deadline as I am a four week deadline would still move faster than most three week deadline zines. Don't fret yet, if it does happen it won't happen until next Spring. We'll have to wait and see. Any comments?

I don't really care too much for the new fad in Dippy Zines. That being the printing of letters from the subscribers in the zine. But it appears to me that that is what the subscribers enjoy so that's what will happen here. Ground rules: only light subjects, Diplomacy, sports, hobbies and the like. I read the political news in the paper not here. However, it may become fun, I like getting mail, what the heck. Write if the spirit moves you.

I had intended to slow down the growth of LDNS. I felt that I already had the cream of the crop when it comes to players but I have changed my mind and I may go out and encourage new subscribers. Get some fresh blood for Leland.

Oh well, I am proud of my first year. A mistake or two here and there but nothing too drastic (We won't mention 77-KX though). One or two misspelled words. LDNS is probably game for game one of the zines with the highest ratio of press per game. (More than some "press" games I've seen. So as the bottom of the page is rapidly approaching I'll close this out and say THANKX to the best subscribers in the entire hobby.

Reprint from LDNS #1 (with a few additions)

DIPLOMACY DEFINITIONS

Some of the beginners to Diplomacy have asked for a dictionary with the meanings of some of the terms used in Diplomacy play. Here is such a dictionary.

- Alliance: When a player says that he wishes to form an alliance this means that he is planning to invade your homeland in the Fall. This practice started when an overly paranoid player felt the mailman was reading his moves and passing them on to his opponents.
- Civil Disorder: The best way to describe this is by using it in a sentence; "Civil disorder was to Brest, not Picardy."
- COA: "Can't Offer Alliance". A GM may put at the bottom of the moves that a player is COA. This means that he has been proven untrustworthy and any agreements that you have with him should now be ignored.
- Coastal Creep: You will find this often throughout your Diplomacy play, especially when playing with someone from the West Coast. As soon as he stabs someone everyone will be calling him a Coastal Creep.
- DipCon: A Disease. Symptoms are a strong desire to stab someone face to face. Only cure known is a long trip. This year many of the diseased went to California.
- Dippy: A term used to describe a person who stayed up all night trying to figure out whether to move to Denmark or Holland. This article could also be termed Dippy.
- GM: An abbreviation standing for Glorious Master. I am a GM.
- Lepanto: This is an Italian word for "Peace". You will hear this word often when playing Turkey. When you hear that the Italian is using a Lepanto opening welcome him with open arms, especially when I am playing Italy.
- Neutrality: See alliance.
- Non-aggression Pact: See Neutrality.
- Postal Service: A German phrase for "slow movement".
- Zine: A shortened form of the word newspaper.
- Black Press: When press is in a zine that uses mimeo reproduction is called Black Press. The same press in a ditto zine would be called Blue Press.

Well I hope that that will help you out. Be sure to read the informative article next issue entitled "Playing Africa" or "Tunis, Anyone?"

More Letters to the Diplomacy Widow:

Dear Dippy Widdy;

Per your answer to Helplessly Helpless, may I offer you some consolations (etc.) myself? I also am 6'2"; I look blonde from a distance because my brown hair is so thin that all the scalp showing through makes it look blonde; blue-green eyes; and also look like a movie star. (Archie Bunker, not Robert Redford.) I'm a Taurus and definitely do fool around. I'll skip DipCon, but would be glad to arrange some other convenient get-together with you.

Bullus O Brutetin

Dear Bullus;

I'll be home next Thursday at 9:00. Call me up and breathe heavy into the phone. If it is what I'm used to maybe we can work something out.

Dear Diplomacy Widow:

My boyfriend and I went to see Jaws II the other night and he started cheering for the shark. When I asked him why, he said "He reminds me of my Russian ally." Does this mean that he is a communist or what?

Dear Or What;

Your letter struck pains in my heart over your turmoil. So I personally stopped making ice cubes with English armies in them to go and see for myself. No, dear he is not a communist, the shark is definitely a Fascist.

1977-IA Winter 1905 Seperation of Seasons

Draw vote fails: Y: 2 N: 2 Two new draws are proposed; EF & EFT.

- AUS (Tomcufcik) Builds F Tri, A Bud & A Vie.
Also has A Rome, Ven, Try, Gal, Rum F Bul (sc), Nap. (10)
- ENG (Bermingham) Even
Has A StP, Nwy, Pru, Lvn F Bar, Bal, Both, Nth. (3)
- FRA (Morris) Builds A Mar, A Par, F Bre.
Also has A Ruhr, Ber, Tus F WMed, Tyrr, Lyon. (9)
- ITA (Rogowski) Removes A Pied.
Has F Tun. (1)
- RUS (Mueth) Removes A Mos.
Has A Boh. (1)
- TUR (Reges) Removes F Con.
Has A War, Sev, Arm F Aeg, Ion. (5)

Spring orders and draw votes are due to me ~~and my shadow, sitting down the...~~
(sorry 'bout that) Aug 5th at noon.
Orders on file for EIR.

Press:

- VIENNA: Emporer Tomcufcik was admitted to the psychiatric ward of Vienna General Hospital with a severe case of paranoia.
- ROME: General Nemchik kept all Austrian Forces on alert, as reports arrived concerning French troop movements. Upon hearing of the French invasion of Italy, he said "Never have so many fought over so little."
- VIENNA TO PIEDMONT: Why don't you take another vacation on the Riviera?
- VIENNA TO BOHEMIA: Sorry, I was tied up elsewhere.
- PARIS TO VIENNA: The French Premier would like to inform the Austro-Hungarian Emporer that as of this writing, the Turkish Sultan has never written to him. The comment in the Press Section of Spring '05 was undoubtedly an attempt to stir concern in the mind of the British Prime Minister and perhaps cause him to precipitate an attack upon his loyal French ally. Unanticipated by the Sultan, however, was the paranoia exuded by yourself in the previous turn which will inevitably lead to your downfall.
((Rest of the press withheld until Spring turn--JHJ))

1977-AK Spr 1903

- AUS (Harmon) A Ukr-Sev (A Rum S); A Bul S A Rum; F Gre-Aeg; A Alb-Ser; A Bud-Gal; A Tri-Vie. (7)
- ENG (Hard) F Nwy-Nth (F Ska S); A StP-Fin; F Bar-Nwg. (5*)
- FRA (Shields) A Pied H; A Port-Spa; F Lyon H; F Bre-Eng; A Bel H; F MAO-Irs. (6)
- GER (Hardisty) A Hol-Ruh; A Mun-Sil; A War S A Mun-Sil; A Pru-Lvn; F Kiel-Bal; F Den S F Kiel-Bal. (6)
- ITA (Tomcufcik) A Ven-Tus; A Apu-Ven; F Tyrr-WMed; F Ion-Tyrr. (4)
- RUS (Gallagher) A Gal-Bud; F Swe H; F Sev H. (3)
- TUR (Hanson) F Ank-Blk; A Con-Bul; F Aeg-Gre. (3)

Thank to Ron Kelly for submitting orders for Turkey.
Russian F Sev dislodged. Must retreat to Arm or OTB.

Press:

- ENGLAND: The shopkeepers of London and Liverpool have been going bankrupt because of the lack of sailors in port. However, there is a rumor that there will be French fleets touring the ports with more money than the poor English sailors ever had.
- GALACIA (via Sevastopol): When asked why he chose to vacate Moscow and supposedly commit suicide, General Ivan Bitchurnozof replied, "Vell, vas vatching finals of all Moscow topless dance contest when eventual vinner, Patriska Jonski came on stage. When she jumped on my table for big finale, she been knocking over mine

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Vodka with her boobskins. Vodka spilled all over secret movement plans. When ink run, brilliant plans lost forever. Figure what da heck, I leave Moscow, marry Patriska, Ve spend honeymoon in scenic Galacia. Not worry bout big bosses in Moscow, I probably die soon with BIG SMILE on face.

BUDAPEST TO MOSCOW: Sorry Bob, the deal's off. I decided not to trade one of my bright and beautiful red blocks for that crummy white chunk of wood. In fact, I hope to replace all that withering white with this sparkling shade of scarlet. Now will you please go away and leave me alone?

ROME: All Roman citizens were warned to be on the look-out for a gang of thieves now terrorizing northern Italy, but rumored to be headed toward the capital. The gang uses a devious method to con their victims: A knife is put to the throat of the victim, at which time assailant says with a distant French accent, "Don't worry about my knife, look out for the guy dressed in red behind you; he has a gun!" When the victim turns the knife is thrust into his back. National guard units have been mobilized and sent north to contain this menace. Until the gang has been neutralized, Italian security officials advise all citizens to worry only about the assailant they can see, not a imaginary one. When the gang is broken up, officials say they will deal with the other less-pressing security matters.

A similar situation exists in the Balkans, where Austrian Guerrillas have successfully battled Turkish army units. When Italian Marines offered assistance, however, Turkish forces replied by assaulting them. No Italians were injured, but the fleet is said to be heading westward, happy to leave the Turks to die a slow death.

ROME TO PARIS AND CONSTANTINOPLE-- Get the message?

BERLIN: The German High Command tips its hats to the wily Russian, who has just proved that you're never out of the game as long as there is just one more move.

PARIS: The French Government kept the lights burning all night planning strategy for the New Weapon, The Portuguese Fan of War. Most of the discussion dealt with the placement of the blades. No more parties, real or concocted will be held for the Lunatic Leland of Austria.

PARIS TO ROME: Anytime, Andy; Just ask.

Fall 1904 orders are due in my mailbox by noon Saturday, Aug. 5th.

1977-KC Spring 1905

- AUS (Shields) A Rum-Sev; F Aeg-Con (A Bul S); A Ser-Rum; A Buc H; A Ven H; A Tus H; F Ion H; F Tyrr S A Tun. (9)
- ENG (Diehl) F Irs-MAO; F MAO-Naf. (2)
- FRA (Caruso) F Eng-Lon; F Bre-MAO; F Spa (sc) S A Mar; A Mar S F Spa (sc); A Port S F Spa (sc). (5)
- GER (Reges) F Swe-Both (F Fin S); F Den-Bal; A Mos-Ukr; A Mun-Boh; A War-Gal (A Sil S); A Bur S FRA A Mar; F Edi-Cly; A Bel H; A Kiel-Mun. (11)
- ITA (Mueth) A Pied-Tyr; F Lyon-WMed. (2)
- RUS (Eichelbergér) F Both-Bal. (1)
- TUR (Machir) A Sev-Rum; F Con-Smy (A Arm S); F Ank-Con. (4)

Russian F Both dislodged, must retreat to LVN, StP or OTB.

Press:

BERLIN: Sorry about this, Austria, but the natives are friendly and they don't like you. What can I do? Please don't answer that.

FINLAND: "Soon the final Russian shop will be scuttled and lie on the bottom of the Gulf of Bothnia. The Kaiser salutes the Czar, noting that this is the way a country ought to be played. Too many players lose a center or turn, and then quit, leaving the GM to look for standbys, etc. THANK you, Carl; goodbye and good luck." After his speech, the Kaiser was heard to mumble something on the order of "blasted pain-in-the-a Russians," or some such.

ST. PETERSBURG TO BERLIN : I admit defeat, but at least I didn't practice appeasment like certain blue countries. No hard feelings I hope.

THE TURKISH EMPIRE will continue to fight the Austrian invaders as long as one unit is intact. A draw with Austria as the partial winner is unacceptable.

PARIS: The French government has no choice but to declare war on underhanded, notorious Turks. You will pay in blood for your slanderous remarks about our cousins.

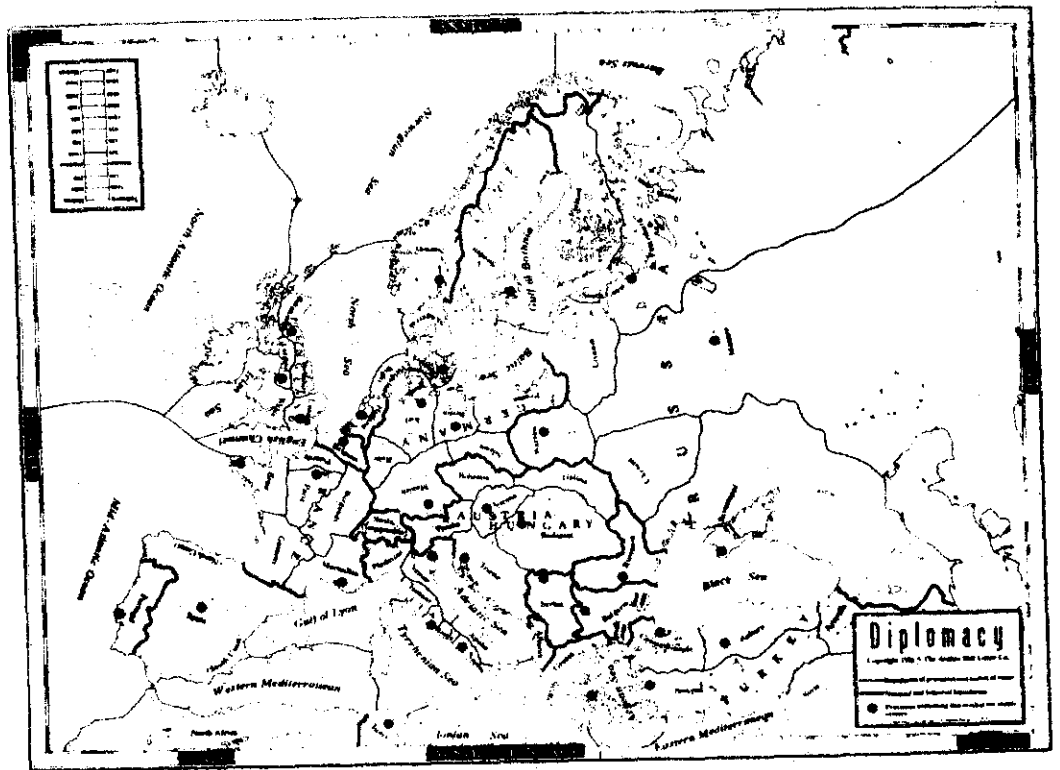
FRANCE TO ENGLAND: You failed to heed my words. You will now die. Surrender is unconditional.

FRANCE TO GERMANY: Thank you for your support.

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COA: Last issue showed
Dave Ditter as having
moved to Rialto. That
should read:
563 Maple Ave.
Fontana, CA 92335



CONFERENCE MAP

AUS (Sherwood) A Tyr S A Ven; A Tus-Rom (A Ven S); F Ion-Nap; A Apu S F Ion-Nap;
A Bul-Gre; A Rum-Ukr; A Sev-Ukr; F Adr S TUR F Aeg-Ion /nso/.
ENG (Fugihara) F MAO-Spa(sc) (F Por S); F Irs-MAO; F Lon-Eng; F York-Lon.
FRA (Brownell??) ~~NMR~~ A Spa A Mar A Par F Bre all hold.
GER (Spiekerman) A Bur-Mar (A Pied S); A Pic-Par; A Ruh-Bur (A Bel & A Mun S);
F Bal H; F Both H; A War S A Mos; A Mos S AUS A Sev /nso/.
TUR (HARD) F Tyrr-Ion (F Aeg S); A Smy-Con.
ITA (Ditter) F Nap-Tyrr (F Tun S); A Rom-Apu.
French A Mar must retreat to Gas or OTB.
French A Spa must retreat to Gas or OTB.
Italian A Rome annih.

No new player will be called on to assume France. If Mr. Brownell fails to return
the country will be in CD.

Supply chart:

AUS Home, Ser, Rum, Sev, Bul, Gre, Ven, ROM, NAP.....has 11...+2
ENG Home, Nwy, Port, SPA.....has 6...build 1
FRA Bre, Par, ~~Mar~~, ~~Spa~~.....has 2...remove 2
GER Home, Hol, Den, Bel, Swe, War, Mos, StP, MAR.....has 11...+1
ITA ~~Mar~~, ~~Rom~~, Tun.....has 1...remove 1
TUR Home.....has 3 ...even

Press:

Bug Juice, FLORIDA: Anita Bryant, foe of homosexuals, today requested ABC-TV to
remove Starsky from Hutch. I.M. Guano, President of ABC refused this request,
but did offer to shave Starsky's chest. Mr. Hutch refused ABC's offer. More
on this late breaking news story at eleven.

Winter 1906 and Spring 1907 orders are due Saturday, Aug. 5th (noon).

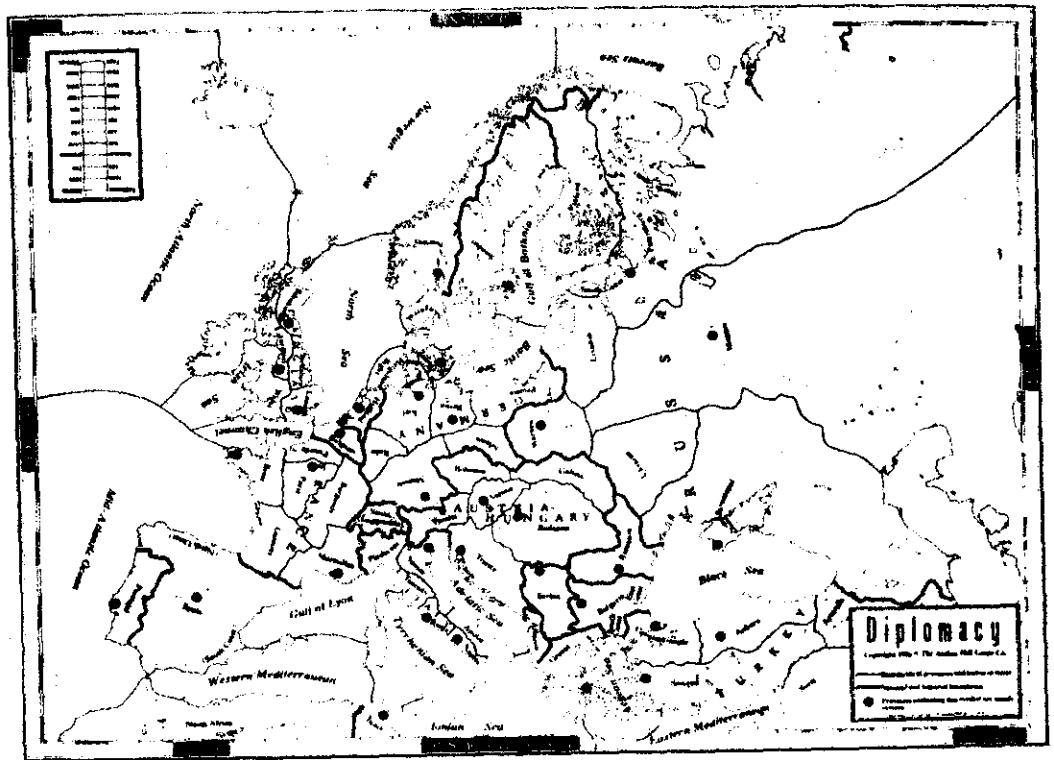
1977-KC Press, continued--

FRANCE TO ITALY: I told you so.
FRANCE TO AUSTRIA: What did you do? You made a mistake regarding Rome, didn't you?
FRANCE TO RUSSIA: Good bye and good luck courageous Czar.
WHITESTONE TO PASADENA: I hear tell that the Dodgers are still bums. You can't
win them all. Anyway, wheres my discount? I own a LDNS card, I want a discount. I
demand one. Sorry, I can't make Origins.
PASADENA: Dodgers who? The &#\$%& bums. Oh well, there's always the Angels. Now
everyone but John should not read this next line for discount is John's--one, two,
three, four, five, six and seven.
VIENNA: Austria will continue to ignore ignoramus Turkey. Meanwhile, the Archduke
has closed the Mediterranean to all travel, except journeys to the funeral of Turkey.

Fall 1905 orders are due to me on Saturday ~~morning~~, the world will be ~~different~~ again.
~~Some Saturday~~ noon August 5th.
Orders on file for: E.

1978-CE
 Fall 1902
 ((Failed to show
 Russian A Sev-Arm
 last issue. All
 parties were so
 informed.))

RUSSIAN TROOPS
 OVERRUN THE HOME
 LANDS OF TURKEY,
 GERMANY AND OF
 AUSTRIA. APPEARS
 HE WAS UNDECIDED
 AS JUST TO WHOM
 HE SHOULD ATTACK
 SO HE DID THE MOST
 LOGICAL THING,
 HIT 'EM ALL.



CONFERENCE MAP

- AUS (Johnson) A Tyro-Pied; A Tri-Vie; A Ser S RUS A Rum-Bul /nso/; F Alb-Gre.
- ENG (Hardisty) A York-Hol (F Nth C) (F Bel S); A Nwy-Den (F Ska C).
- FRA (Kendter, Sr) A Bur-Mun (A Ruh S); A Gas-Bur; F Pic H; F Spa(sc) H.
- GER (Meier) F Hel-Nth; F Den S RUS F Swe /nso/; A Kiel-Ruh (A Mun & A Mun S);
 A Hol unordered.
- ITA (Peterson) A Ven-Tyro (A Boh S); A Rom-Ven; A Tun S TUR A Gre /imp/.
- RUS (Harmon) A StP-Nwy; A Sil-Ber; F Swe S ENG A Nwy-Den; A Rum-Bud; A Arm-Ank
 (F Blk S).
- TUR (Eichelberger) A Bul-Ser (A Gre S); F Con-Bul(ec); F Aeg-Con.

German F Den must retreat Bal or OTB.
 German A Hol annih.

Supply Chart:

AUS	Vie, Tri, Bud , Gre , SER.....	has 3...remove 1
ENG	Home, Bel, Nwy , DEN, HOL.....	has 5...build 1
FRA	Home, Port, Spa.....	has 5...even
GER	Mun, Kiel, Ber , Nth , Den	has 2...remove 2
ITA	Home, Tun.....	has 4...even
RUS	Home, Rum, Swe, BUD, Nwy, ANK, BER.....	has 10..build 4
TUR	Con, Smy, Ank , Bul, GRE.....	has 4...even

Press:

OLSO (Pre-Russian occupation): Major General Lord Stumblebum, commander of the British expeditionary forces in Norway, was reported as being shocked and angry by the attempted invasion of Norway by Russian forces. ((If he was shocked then, I'd like to see him now--JHJ))

BERLIN (Pre-Russian occupation): The French lichen in the Low countries has spread northward...into the Ruhr. Every German has been issued brooms to use on the invaders. Sweep this rabble out!! We assume that the besotted French Army stationed previously in Burgandy got soused utterly out of its gourd and stumbled into the Ruhr. We and they were quite surprised. It seems that the noble leader of the French nation decided that all his bellicose posturing about destroying the British in Belgium was too risky. Although he befriended England he still wanted it badly when he learned that I, Kaier Wilhelm von Meier, in a magnificent gesture, would gladly see him in that area. Oh how that boggled his foggy mind. Here he was conniving to have taken what he could have had for himself, The anguish, the doubts..and in the end he cowardly let England have its way while letting his own Army get drunk and bumble into the Ruhr. We shall have to teach these oafs a lesson.

MUNICH: The Imperial German Government officially apologizes to the nation of Italy for all past slurs and injustices. We have had some fears of erratic action but now we see that Austria is the enemy of Italy. Good. Our Great Government does ask, however, that these feuding "assemblages of the South" keep their mutual hostilities away from our borders. The debris of war litters our neat German fields. ...when the wind is wrong. Be neat fellows, go away.

1978-CE Press Con't:

DANMARK (Pre-English occupation): Kill for the love of killing, kill for the sight of blood, rip, gnash and slash the flesh of our enemies! Go Russia! Kill the British lumps in Norway! Cut out their hearts with rusty spoons and stuff em in their mouths! Dump their carcasses into the fjords and let the outgoing tide wash them back to stinking England!!!!!! Kill!!Kill!!Kill!!...and then call them nasty names too. Nyaah.

ZANDVOORT, HOLLAND, NORTH SEA COAST (via Germany): Work on the tunnel to England has begun. British prisoners and imprisoned French nationals (captured while passing through Germany) have been set to work on it. Whips, cold, gruel and discomfort are the order of the day there. Daily burning of their mail is a favorite sport of the guards.

BUDAPEST (Pre-Russian occupation) ((I'm getting tired of typing that--JHJ)) Austria vows to destroy Italy and would greatly appreciate any aid available, anywhere.

Winter 1902 and Spring 1903 orders are to be in my grubby little hands by noon, Sat. August 5th. Also do you guys think that you could write some press?? JUST KIDDING!!

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- AUS (Powers) A Tri-Ser; A Ser-Gre; F Gre-Ion; A Vie-Gal (A Bud S) 5
- ENG (Poore) A Wal-Bel (F Eng C); F Nth-Nwy. 3
- FRA (Watson) A Par-Bur; A Pic-Bre; F MAO-Bre; A Spa H. 4
- GER (Harmon) A Hol-Bel; A Bur S ITA A Pied-Mar /nso/; A Mun-Ruh; A Ber-Pru; F Den-Swe. 5
- ITA (Johnson) F Ion-Tun; F Nap-Tyrr; A Tun-NAf; A Pied S GER A Bur-Mar/nso/ 4
- RUS (Brownell) NMR Phantom moves: F Both H; A War S A Ukr; A Ukr S F Sev; F Sev H. 4
- TUR (Diehl) F Smy-Aeg; F Blk-Sev; A Bul-Rum; A Con-Ank. 4

No standby will be called for Russia. I spoke to him and he said that he will return. Press:

PARIS (National News): The minister of Foreign Affairs offered this brief statement: "The course of the war, of course, sucks, but we are holding on and actually may do alright. We shall see."

CALAIS (heresay): "I believe the king should be committed!"
"Which King?"
"Why, Eddie of course!"

LONDON (Reuters): "Alas and alack" sayeth the King from the hospital. His majesty has been stricken with the grave disease of employment. Quoth the King "Working in a hospital, Ha! I've spent most of my time in the morgue! So please excuse my lack of correspondence. My sincerest apologies go out to the other five major powers." No explanation has been given why the King thinks that there are only six major powers.

ROME: Italy, in response to Austrian pressure, has decided to operate in the Western rather than Eastern theatre of Operations.

ANKARA: Italian dreams of an Eastern Empire are not to become a reality.

BUDAPEST TO ROME: "You will note in Trieste that Austria keeps her promises to you. You will note in the Ionian Austria keeps her promise to Turkey and does not make threats in the wind about stopping an Italian Lepanto."

Fall 1903 orders are to be here by noon on Saturday August 5th/

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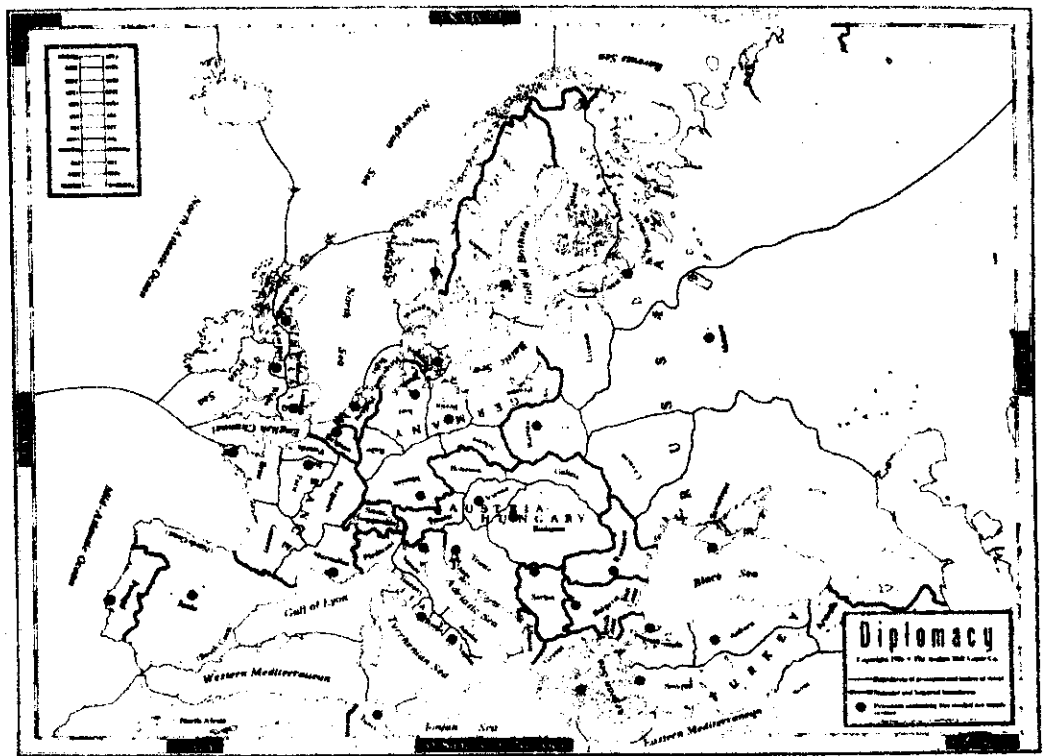
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- AUS (Hard) Even A Vie-Tri; F Adr-Tri; A Bud-Ser; A Ser-Gre. 4
 - END (Harmon) Builds F Lvp F Bre-MAO (F Eng S); F Lvp-Irs; A Fin-StP (F Nwy S); F Swe-Both. 6
 - RRA (Reges) Removes A Mar F MAO-Bre (A Par & A Gas S); A Bur H. 4
 - GER (Peterson) Even F Nth-Den; A Ruh-Bur (A Bel S); A Mun S A Sil; A Pru-War; A Sil S A Pru-War. 6
 - ITA (Diehl) F Nap-Ion; F EMed-Aeg; A Rum-Bul; A Tyro S A Boh; A Boh S A Tyro. 5
 - RUS (Bailes) A Mos S A War; A War S GER A Sil-Gal/nso/; F Both-Bal; F Sev-Rum. 4
built A Mos.
 - TUR (Long) Builds F Smy F Smy-EMed (F Aeg S); A Gre-Ser (A Bul S); F Blk-Rum. 5
- Italian F EMed must retreat to Syr or OTB French A Bur must retreat to Mar, Pic or OTB.
English F Bre must retreat to Pic or OTB

Fall 1904 orders are due Saturday noon August 5th.

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CONFERENCE MAP

- AUS (Be mingham) A Gal-Rum (A Ser S); F Alb-Tri.
- ENG (Rohde) F Nwg-Nwy; A Yor-Hol (F Nth C).
- FRA (Verheiden) F MAO-Spa(sc); A Spa-Por; A Bur-Bel.
- GER (Berkeley) A Ruh-Bel; A Kiel-Hol; F Den-Nth.
- ITA (Sergeant) A Ven H; A Apu-Rom; F Tyrr-Tun.
- RUS (McLendon) F Both-Swe; A War-Gal; A Ukr-Rum (F Blk S)
- TUR (Morrison) F Con-Bul(ec); A Bul-Gre; A Ank-Arm.

Supply Chart:

- AUS Home, SER.....has 4...build 1
- ENG Home, NWY.....has 4...build 1
- FRA Home, SPA, POR.....has 5...build 2
- GER Home, DEN.....has 4...build 1
- ITA Home, TUN.....has 4...build 1
- RUS Home, SWE.....has 5...build 1
- TUR Home, BUL, GRE.....has 5...build 2

Neutral: Bel, Hol, Rum.

Press:

MOSCOW: The Czar stated today that the conscience always rests easier when you jump into a war that somebody ELSE started.
 This statement will be archived as Old Ukrainian Provert #17.

Winter 1901 builds are due noon Aug. 5th (Saturday).

More Press:

BERLIN: War Ministry Bulletin--due to intercepted communications and coastal observations the massed might of our Western Armies have sent columns of armor and infantry into the Lowlands. It is sincerely hoped that our "friends" in France will understand that until their alignment is made clear as to Italy and England the German nation cannot and will not allow any one nation to control Belgium.

Germany seeks a status quo of power in the Lowlands and to this end has advanced its North Sea fleet from Denmark. This is a purely defensive mood and one designed to keep the Sea Lanes open for all nations. Warmest greeting and a 21 gun salute to Lorde Rohde from his German cousins.

RADIO MINICH TO PETER IN SEVASTOPOL: "The moon is Blue. The moon is Blue."

RADIO BERLIN TO MARIE IN MOSCOW--"Springtime is a good season for travel. Do come and visit us. Love, Mama."