

LIES, DECEIT AND NEFARIOUS SCHEMES

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Without further ado...

1978-CE endgame statements:

TURKEY-Carl Eichelberger: This was probably the best game I have ever played in. It was well run, the action was fast and furious, and the players were all mature and friendly. There were no personal grudges in the game, a rare thing from what I have observed. The stabs (and there were many) were all well played and appreciated by both sides, and not taken as a personal insult. I think there were only a couple NMR's in the game, a tribute to the quality of the players.

A Special word of thanks to Leland Harmon, who pulled off what I consider the stab of the year (4 people in one turn!), and really got things going in the right direction.

ENGLAND-Cliff Hardisty: I want to take this opportunity to thank you along with Lee, Andy, Ken, Stan, Leland and Carl for an excellent game, even when my personal problems caused me to stop my dip correspondence and a NMR on the last turn. I would have voted yes to the draw myself, as the alliance of France (Lee), Russia (Leland) and Turkey (Carl) had stopped me cold.

I do not know who was the biggest stabber, myself or Leland. I do believe that Leland handed them better though. I do know that Lee never stabbed me and was ever willing to cooperate, a real gentleman.

RUSSIA-Leland Harmon: 1978-CE was definitely the best game of postal Diplomacy I have ever played. Perhaps a direct result of sportsmanship; how many games have you played where everyone is still friendly at the end?

The game took a strange twist as Russia shot the moon from the very first, gaining ten centers by Winter '02 (one each from Eng, Ger, Aus, and Tur). For some reason, I hadn't a friend on the board after that move except Italy. Consequently I was able to overrun the South, but Eng, by continually seesawing between France and Russia as an ally, eventually took command in the North, and decided it was time to declare war on the world. The ending was memorable, as three game-long enemies joined to form a stalemate; a four-way draw with Russia on the bottom of the pack.

Thanks go to Jerry and six other fantastic guys for an excellent game.

GM-Jerry Jones: I have to admit that this was one of the most rewarding game that I have ever had the pleasure to GM or play in. 1978-CE should become a classic game and entered into the Postal Dip Hall of Fame (if there ever is one.) I guarantee that this is not the last you'll hear of 1978-CE. The good games never die. Thanx to all for making this "The game of the Year."

1979-J Winter 1904

Eng (D. Hard)	even	A Yor	F Nth	Nwg				
Fra (S. Cartier)	even	F NAO	Eng	A Ruh	Bur	Mar	Bel	
Ger (K. Peterson)	Builds	A Ber	F Den	Hol	A Kiel	Mun	Ber	
Ita (R. Kelly)	Builds	A Rom	F Alb	Adr	A Vie	Ven	Rom	
Rus (J. Morris)	Builds	A Sev	A War.	F Blk	Swe	Bar	A War	Sev
	Tri	Bud	Rum	Bul	Nwy			
Tur (R. Garcia)	F Aeg	A Ser	Gre	Con				

Spring 1904 orders are due Dec 15th.

Draws called for: F/G/R; F/I/T; F/G/I/T; E/T; F/I/R. Votes are due along with your spring orders. Failure to vote is considered a yes vote.

1978-AE Delay

The Turkish F Aeg succeeds into the Ion since it was ordered there with support from the F EMed. I mis-read the orders and upon re-checking find that I was in error. Also the F Smy succeeds into the Aegean.

Ron, please resubmit orders, Thanx.

1977-KO Fall 1906

Aus (E. Tucker) A Sev S A Ukr; A Ukr S A Gal; A Boh S ITA A Tyr-Mun/nso/;
A Gre S TUR F Bulsc; A Gal S A Boh; A Vie H (unordered);

F Tyrr-Tun.

Eng (J. Caruso) A Mar H; F WMed-Tun (F Naf S); F Bre H; A Yor H;
F Spasc-WMed; F Nwy and F STPnc S each other.

Fra (CD) F Mar ret OTB.

Ger (B. Linsey) A Bur S ENG A Mar; A Kie-Mun (A Ber S) A Mun-Boh; (A Sil S);
A War-Ukr; A Mos S TUR F Rum-Sev; A Lvn-War; F Swe-Den

Tur (D. Grabar) NMR A Con F Rum F Aeg F Bulsc

Aus Home Ser ~~BY~~ Gre Sev...6...-1

Eng Home Par Stp Nwy Por Spa TUN BRE, MAR...11...+3

Fra ~~MA~~...out

Ger Home Den Hol Swe ~~BY~~ Bel War Mos...9...even

Ita Home ~~MA~~...3...even

Rus O

Tur Home Rum Bul...⁵...+1

Ita (Sokol) NMR A Tyro. F WMed ret OTB; F Naf; A Pie

Press:

Aus-Tur: You may be bigger, but just as dead.

Aus-Ita: How about sending in some moves?

Ger-Eng: John, don't be alarmed by my fleet movement, I'm going to bring it down to the Med to speed up our victory. Why don't you do the same?

Ger-Fra: Bye!

Ger-Tur: Hey, you're all right, pal!

There is a call for a G/E draw.

Winter '06, Spring '7 and the draw votes are due Dec 15th.

1978HP Fall 1906

Last issue I reported that the Turkish army to Apulia failed. It was a misprint. the move succeeded.

Here are the correct unit positions:

Aus (C. Eichelberger) A Mun; A Tus' A Tri.

Eng (Dave Ditter) F Nwg; F Lon; A Yor

Fra (T. Powers) A Bel; A Par; F Bar; F WMed; F Tun

Ger (S. Johnson) A Pic A Bur; A Hol F Swe; F Hel

Ita (Kelly) A Mar; F Tyrr; F Nap ((Ron, any questions, give me a collect call))

Rus (R. Price) F StPns; F Swe; A Mos A War A Rum A Sev A Vie A Bud.

Tur (T. Sherwood) A Ser F Alb F Ion A Apu F EMed F Aeg

Fall 1906 orders are due Dec15th

1978IR Spring 1905 THE PLAGUE CONTINUES

Aus (D. Pilant) A Tyro-Mun (A Boh S); A Bud-Vie; F Gre-Bul.
Eng (CD) A Edi
Fra (C. Hardisty) A yor-Edi (F Cly S); F Lon-Nth; F Eng-Bel; A Mar H;
A Ruh-Mun (A Bur S); F Lyo-Spasc.
Ger (Beardsley) NMR A Mun; A Kiel; F Den; F Hel
Ita (R. Kelly) A Pied H; A Vie-Tyro; F Ion-Tyrr; A Tus S A Pie; F Tyrr-
WMed.
Rus (S. Johnson) A Pru-Ber (A Sil S) A Sev-Arm; A Swe-Den;
F Blk-Bulec (F Rum S); F Hol-Kie (F Bal S).
Tur (Don Ditter) NMR F Bluec* F Ank F Con A Arm all hold

Ger and Tur are available to anyone wishing to standby.

Press:

Paris to Moscow: A toast to our continued peace and the swift fall of Germany.

Paris to Rome: Let there be peace between our countries. I have made the first moves toward this end. What have you done?

Fall 1905 orders are due Dec 15th.

*A Kiel annih

**F Bul annih

1977-IJ Spring 1909

France (Schuetz) F StPnc H; F Swe-Bot; F Den-Bal; F Kie-Den; A Ruh-kie
A Ber-Pru (A Sil S); A Bur-Bel; A Mar-Pie; A Pie-Tyro (A Mun S)
A Par-Gas; A Bre-Nwy (A Nth & F Eng C). Built army Paris.
Ger (Petersen) -CD A Mos
Ita (Kendter Sr.) A Bud Ser Tri Vie Ven F Gbe Alb Ion Tyrr all hold.
Tur (Kirchner) Removes F Ank F Syr-Smy; A War H (A Gal S); F Blk-Rum;
F Con-Bulec; A Sev-Mos (A Ukr S).

There is a call for an I/F/T draw.

Draw votes along with Fall 1909 orders are due Dec 15th.

1978-HA Winter 1907/Spring 1908

Aus (C. Reges) A Sev S GER A Gal-Rum
Eng (K. Baumeister) Builds A Edi. A Edi-Nwy (F Nwg C); A StP-Mos;
F Gas S F Spasc; F MAO-WMed (F Spasc S); F Irs-MAO (F Por S);
F Swe-Den.
Ger (L. Kendter Sr.) Builds A Kie and F Ber. A Mos-Ukr; A Gal-Rum;
A Rum-Ser; A Mun-Tyr (A Boh S); A Mar H (A Bur S); A Bel H;
A Kie-Mun; F Ber-Bal (F Den S).
Ita (Dave Ditter) F Tun S TUR F WMed-NAf; F Lyo S TUR F Tyrr-WMed;
A Pie S A Tyro; A Ven-Tri (A Tyro S).
Rus (L. Harmon) A Bud-Tri (A Vie S).
Tur (J. Powers) Builds A Con. A Bul-Gre; A Con-Bul; F Ank-Buk;
F WMed-NAf; F Tyrr-WMed; A Ser-Tri;

Fall 1908 orders are due Dec 15th.

Press:

Con-Berlin: Sit on it.

1979-P Separation of Seasons Winter 1904

Aus (R. Berkeley) Builds F Tri
Eng (S. Johnson) Builds F Lon, Edi
Fra (C. Eichelberger) Removes A Pic
Ger (S. McLendon) F Bel ret OTB. Builds A Ber
Ita (A. Meier) Builds F Nap
Rus (C. Hardisty) F Swe ret Both. Remove A War
Tur (L. Harmon) even

Corrected Supply Chart:

Aus Home Ser Rum Bul...6
Eng Home Nwy StP Swe Den...7
Fra Home Bel Por Spa...6
Ger Home Hol...4
Ita Home Tun Gre...5
Rus Mos War...2
Tur Home Sev...4

Current Positions:

Aus A Vie, Rum, Bud, Ser F Bulsc, Tri
Eng A StP Yor F Lon Edi Den Swe Ska
Fra A Bel Ruh Sil Bur F WMed MAO
Ger A Hol Kiel Mun Ber
Ita A Tyro Gal F Nap Tyrr Gre
Rus A Mos F Bot
Tur A Sev Smy F EMed Blk

Press:

Turkey to Austria: The Turban-top was overjoyed to open a package of pet pebbles, mailed apparently from Budapest (where dwells "The Stoned"). However, we regret to announce, dear friend, that your offspring has met an untimely demise; perhaps you should acquaint your next litter a little more fully on the correct usage of the toilet. (Turkey would also like to express our apologies to Jerry and the rest of this motley crew for using valuable space in a personal chat.)

MOSCOW: Since the viper of a once noble Turk, has turned on his only allie; it is fitting that he falls in the dung of his own making... May the foggie bottomed English grow increasingly uncomfortable with sour Danish beer and rotten Swedish herring... May the new year bring the Austrian's a plague of such magnitude that even their toads lose their warts.

ROMA: A Symbolic tombstone has been erected in front of the monument to Victor Emmanuel. On the top it reads: MOMENTO MORI
FUGIT HORA

it continues... From Spring 1901

To: a not-too-distant moment in the future.

Inscription: HERE LIES THE GRAVE WHICH YAWNS OPEN IN
ANTICIPATION OF RECEIVING THE SOON-TO-
BE-DESECRATED SYMBOLS OF TURKISH SOVEREIGNTY.

Epitaph---TURKEY, it rose like the head of a cobra, lashed out with its fangs at helpless Bulgaria, fled at the sight of approaching Austrians, mauled then its former ally by attacking Sevastopol and taking it. In time this menace was swatted down like the pile of bugs it was. A sad shread of the vile empire is yet kept alive as a living reminder of what can slither into existence if you let it.

PASADENA TO ROMA-I'd love to trade pics (which reminds me I owe Cliff one.)

All please note: correct Bob Berkeley's address to read Boure, MA.
Spring 1904 orders are due Dec 15th.

1977KX PEACE AT LAST! ENGLAND WINS BY CONCESSION!

Zine: LDNS. GM: Jerry Jones

Aus: David Hard. Eng: Leland Harmon (Wins F10). Fra: Craig Reges (OF10)
 Ger: Ken Peterson. Ita: Jim Diehl (RS06); Ron Kelly. Rus: Gary Kilbride
 (DWO1); Gary Strattin (RFO3); Mitchel Bailes-CD F06. Tur: Tim Long.

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	
Aus	5	4	4	4	4	5	3	3	3	2	
Eng	4	5	6	6	9	10	12	13	14	16	Wins by Concession
Fra	5	5	4	5	3	2	2	2	2	0	
Ger	5	6	6	6	7	8	6	5	4	3	
Ita	4	4	5	6	5	3	4	4	3	3	
Rus	5	6	4	2	1	1	1	1	0		
Tur	5	4	5	5	5	5	6	6	8	9	

Congrats to Leland!

1978FI MORE PEACE! FRANCE, ENGLAND, ITALY AND RUSSIA COME TO TERMS!

Zine: LDNS. GM: Jerry Jones.

Aus: Roger Bermingham. Eng: David Rohde (Draw). Fra: Eric Verheiden (Draw)
 Ger: Robert Berkeley (OFO4). Ita: Robert Sergeant (Draw).
 Rus: Steve McLendon (Draw). Tur: Marck Morrison-CDS05 (OFO6)

	01	02	03	04	05	06	
Aus	4	4	1	1	1	1	
Eng	4	4	7	7	9	9	(Draw)
Fra	5	6	6	8	8	8	(Draw)
Ger	4	5	2	0			
Ita	4	4	5	7	8	8	(Draw)
Rus	5	6	6	7	7	8	(Draw)
Tur	5	5	7	3	1	0	

What, no standbys? Congrats to each and everyone of you.

1978AK NO PEACE YET. DRAW FAILS Winter 1909/Spring 1910

Aus (Leland Harmon) Builds F Tri. A Gre-Smy (F Aeg C & F EMed S);
 A Arm-Ank; A Bul-Con; F Tri-Alb; A Bud-Ser; F Alb-Gre A Sev, Rum
 Nap Rom Ven Vie Bud and F Por all hold.
 Ger (Cliff Hardisty) A Mos H; A Gal H; A Ukr S A Gal; A Sil S A Gal;
 A Boh and A Mun S A Tyro; A Tyro S A Mar-Pie; A Mar-Pie; A Tus H;
 A Bel-Bur; A Gas-Mar; F MAO-WMed; F Eng-MAO; F Nth-Eng; A Naf-Tun;
F Tyrr-Tun.
 Tur (Kelly) F Gre ret Ion; Remove F Con. A Sev-Ank/imp/; F Ion-Tun

There is a call for a concession to Germany. Let's finish this one up,
 ok guys? So I'll call for two more votes due. I call for an A/G
 or an A/G/T draw.

Votes and Fall 1910 orders are due Dec 15th.

1978-AS Winter 1909

Aus (J. Powers) Builds A Bud Vie & F Tri.
Eng (J. Poore) Even
Ger (L. Harmon) Even
Rus (C. Reges) Even

There is a call for an E/A draw. Votes are due along with your Spring orders.

Spring 1910 orders are due Dec 15th.

1977-II Boy, did I blow it!

I listed the last season as being Spring 1908. It was in reality Fall 1908. Below is the supply chart that should have been included.

Aus (CD) Bul...1
Eng (T. Bannon) Home ~~Not~~ Den Nwy SWE...6...-1
Fra (B. Kelley) Bre ~~Pat~~ Mar Spa Por Mun Kie Bel HOL...8...even
Ita (J. Caruso) Home Tun ~~Txi~~ PAR GRE...6...+1
Rus (K. Schuetz) Home Rum Vie Ser Bud ~~Syie~~ Ber TRI...10...+1
Tur (V. Smith) Home...3...even

Two position corrections:

Russian unit listed in Warsaw is really in Sil.

French F MAO was listed as moving to NAF. In reality it went to NAO.

Winter 1908 and Spring 1909 orders are due Dec 15th.

1977-HH Spring 1905

Eng (R. Birmingham) Removes F Lvp. F Bel-Nth (F Lon, F Edi S); A Yor H;
F Nwy-Ska; A StP-Nwy. (F Nwy ret Bar, Nwy, OTB, A StP ret Lvn, OTB)
Fra (~~D. / M. / K.~~) (C. Eichelberger) F Por-MAO; A Spa-Mar; A Bur-Mun;
A Pic S ENG F Bel. ((Thank to Dave Pilant for submitting orders too))
Ger (J. Michalski) Remove A Ruhr. F Hel-Den; F Bal-Swe; F Nth-Nwy (F Ska S
A Fin S Russian A Mos-StP; A Hol S FRE A Bur-Bel/nso/.
Ita (C. Reges) NMR A Nap Rom F Ion.
Rus (E. Tucker) A Gal-Bud; A Mos-StP; F Sev S TUR A Rum; A Ukr S F Sev.
Tur (S. Johnson) A Arm-Rum; A Bul-Gre; A Rum-Bud (ASer S); F Blk C A Arm-
Rum; F Smy-EMed (F Aeg S).
Aus (J. Morris) A Bud-Vie; A Ven-Rom; F Tri-Adr.

Anyone wishing to play Italy please offer now.

Fall 1905 orders are due Dec 15th.

1976-Y All Draws Fail

Austrian A Bul-Con failed. Austria can build only one and Turkey is even.
BUT Austria picked up Mun so the final suply chart and builds are listed:

Aus (T. Watson) Home Rum Gre Ser Ber Sev Kiel Mun Bul...11...Builds
A Bud, A Vie.

Eng (L. Kendter Sr.) Home...3...even
Fra (R. Kelly) Bre Hol...even
Ita (D. Rohde) Home Tun Mar Spa Por Bel Par...9...+ F Nap
Rus (S. Heinowski) StP Mas War Nwy Swe Den...6...even
Tur (C. Eichelberger) Home...3...even

Spring 1908 orders are due Dec 15th