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There are only two things to say this time. First, this is issue 137 of Lemon Curry, nurtured from a blank screen and empty pages to this final product by Don Del Grande, 142 Eliseo Drive, Greenbrae, CA 94904-1339, phone (+1) 415 461 2692, but only 6 PM to 11 PM Pacific time (0200-0700 GMT), E-mail ddelgran@nyx.cs.du.edu, but there's no guarantee that I will (or can) read it every day (I can pretty much guarantee Monday through Thursday, usually at noon, although when the mail is "delivered" isn't up to me). Second:

MONTY'S NEWS AND COMMENT is brought to you by The Committee To Celebrate KATHY CARUSO'S 15th ANNUAL "30th BIRTHDAY" (let's see, if her first 30th birthday was when she turned 30,...)

To make things worse, she's a grandmother (twice over, I'm led to believe - she's not the only one getting older; I still remember talking wrestling with a young Frank Byrne, and now he's a father...then again, it wasn't that long ago, just the summer of 1984). Hopefully, she'll still be in the hobby for her 16th and subsequent 30th Birthdays. (Question: Why doesn't Kathy use a computer for her 'zine? Answer: she would take too much time dealing with the spelling checker...)

Anybody out there have a Butterfinger wrapper with a "Homer's Alibi" on it? (See DIP WARZ on Page 8 for the untold story)

PLUG OF THE MONTH goes to PONTEVEDRIA, recently taken over by Andrew York, P.O. Box 2307, Universal City, TX 78148. "Pont" is the nearly complete list of game openings throughout the hobby, updated every month through 'zine publishers (such as myself) sending in their 'zines. A recent list included35 'zines that offered games, including regular Dip, "international" regular Dip (players from seven different countries), 25 variants (the only one in more than two 'zines being Gunboat, which was offered in 12), and 33 non-Diplomacy games of just about all types, from Civilization and Origins of WWII to Scattergories and Facts in Five. Just send Andy a self-addressed stamped envelope and ask for the latest copy. You can also get a 10-issue subscription for \$5, or \$1 and 10 SASEs.

PLAYLIST: Eight Ball Deluxe (PC) - an excellent computer rendition of the pinball game, although there's the obvious problem that you can't see the entire playfield at once (which will make it very hard to convert the more popular modern games like Jurassic Park that require you to see the top of the playfield to make some shots), and the occasional sound problem on my SoundBlaster 16 ASP (but there's no specific driver for this card, but a "generic SoundBlaster Pro" selection). Just count the quarters saved...

Ren & Stimpy Vidiots (SNES) - I've only seen the first level so far, but it looks like a "generic" run-across-the-playfield-avoiding-obstacles-until-you-find-the-goal with Ren and Stimpy (complete with voices taken from the show) and other characters from the show instead of, say, Mario. Unless you're an R&S fan, don't bother.

Speaking of Super Nintendo, there's a rumor that there's a special chip inside their *Mortal Kombat* cartridge that will allow the "bloody" mode, similar to entering the secret code in the Sega Genesis version. However, it's "separated" from the main part of the chip by some sort of coating that has to be melted by putting it in the microwave for two minutes...

TRIVIAL PURSUIT - 6 out of 21?

Numbers in parentheses indicate correct/incorrect answers

DAVE ANDERSON (3/3)

- 1. (GR-G2) What items of apparel does a cordwainer make?
- 2. (OR-80) Which of Michael Jackson's pets ate his cockatoo?
- 3. (BL-TV) What cosmetic company's sponsorship of The \$64,000 Question saw its sales rise 54 percent in one year?

THOMASINE BOWEN (0/0) NMRed - questions carry over SCOTT CAMERON (4/2)

- 4. (BR-G2) How many panels are on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel?
- 5. (GR-80) Who did Pete Rose call "an intellectual from Yale, but he's very intelligent"?
- 6. (OR-TV) Whose assassination and its aftermath had 96 percent of voters in TV homes watching?

STEPHEN DORNEMAN has NMRed twice and is out

MELINDA ANN HOLLEY (5/7)

- 7. (GR-G2) How many more forward-pointing toes does a canary's foot have than a parakeet's?
- 8. (OR-80) What French museum's walls have the most "Beware of Pickpockets" signs?
- 9. (BL-TV) Which kid was the orphan on The Donna Reed Show?

DOUGLAS KENT (9/0)

- 10. (BL-G2) What's "Delhi belly" to a tourist in India?
- 11. (PK-80) What Vietnam War movie depicts the 101st Airborne's quest to gain control of a hill?
- 12. (YE-TV) What drama series saw 32-year-old co-star Timothy Busfield direct an episode in 1990?

JACK McHUGH (2/4)

- 13. (GR-G2) What percentage of a beaver's life is spent swimming?
- 14. (OR-80) What Rolling Stone was musical producer of 1987's Hail! Hail! Rock N' Roll?
- 15. (BL-TV) What police squad did Lee Marvin dub the "Chicago SS"?

BRENT McKEE (2/1)

- 16. (YE-G2) How many pencils did an Elvis Presley holder hold?
- 17. (BR-80) What US President's statue in Athens, Greece was bombed in 1987 by leftists?
- 18. (GR-TV) What Highway Patrol star explained his success: "The guys with the ugly mugs are working"?

BRAD WILSON (3/0) NMRed - questions carry over

ANDREW YORK (5/7)

- 19. (PK-G2) What 1950s film sees Gloria Swanson utter the line, "I am big; it's the movies that got small"?
- 20. (YE-80) In what two Central American countries were U.S. journalists killed in 1983?
- 21. (OR-TV) What European country has the most stores selling Top Cat memorabilia?

ANSWERS (* indicates the player missed it)

- 1. *Shoes / 2. *Python / 3. *Revlon / 4. *Nine / 5. *A. Bartlett Giamatti / 6. John Kennedy / 7. One
- 8. The Louvre / 9. *Trisha / 10. *Diarrhea / 11. Hamburger Hill / 12. thirtysomething / 13. *50%
- 14. *Keith Richards / 15. *M Squad / 16. *12 / 17. Harry Truman / 18. Broderick Crawford
- 19. *Sunset Boulevard / 20. *Nicaragua, Honduras / 21. *Great Britain

1830 "42nd STREET", OPERATING ROUND 9.3 & STOCK ROUND 10 - It's a boom market

OPERATING ROUND 9.3

NYC plays no tile

Run "5" G19(n)-F18-F16-G15-H16-G17-G19(s) for 240

Dividends: DH 144 (1176), MG 48 (1356), SC 24 (1422), MF 24 (945)

NYC stock rises to C155

C&O plays no tile

Run "D" E7-E5(n)-D4-D2-E3-F4-G5-F6-G7-H8-H10-(H12)-H14-H16-G15-F16-F18-G19(n)-F20-E21 for 400

Dividends: MF 240 (1185), DB 80 (1244), MG 40 (1396), DH 40 (1216)

C&O stock rises to D120

B&O plays no tile

Run "D" H10-(H12)-H14-I15-I17-H18(e)-G19(s)-G17-H16-G15-F16-F18-G19(n)-F20-E19 for 440

Dividends: SC 264 (1688), DB 88 (1332), MF 44 (1229), MG 44 (1440)

B&O stock rises to D100

PRR plays tile 8 in H6(NW)

Run "D" F6-G7-H8-H10-H12-H14-H16-G15-F16-F18-G19(n)-F20-E19 for 290

Dividends: BW 174 (827), DB 58 (1390), MF 29 (1258), MG 29 (1469)

PRR stock rises to E90a

NYNH plays tile 8 in E17(E), paying 120 (treasury has 164 remaining)

Run "6" G19(n)-F18-F16-G15-H16-G17-G19(s)-H18(e) for 290

Dividends: MG 15 (1614), MF 29 (1287), DH 29 (1245), Treasury 87 (251)

NYNH stock rises to E90b

B&M plays no tile (of the three choices, the first was already upgraded, there are no #8s for the second, and the third is not an extension of the B&M line)

Run "5" E19-E21-E23-F24-F22-F20 for 140

Dividends: DB 84 (1474), MG 28 (1642), BW 14 (841), MF 14 (1301)

B&M stock rises to G70

CP plays tile 25 in B12(E); note the tile in B16 is correct as shown on the map

Run "5" A11-B12-B14-B16-B18-A19-B20-B22-B24 for 160

Dividends: SC 96 (1784), MF 32 (1333), MG 16 (1658)

CP stock rises to G69

Erie plays no tile; put token in G19(s), paying 40 (treasury has 124 remaining)

Run "6" H18(e)-G19(s)-G17-H16-G15-F16-F18-G19(n) for 290

Dividends: BW 116 (957), DH 116 (1361), MF 29 (1362), MG 29 (1687)

Erie stock rises to F67

STOCK ROUND 10

Scott Cameron (1784) passes

Derwood Bowen (1474) passes

Bill Wordelmann (957) buys 10% NYNH from pool for 90

Mark Frueh (1362) sells 10% CP for 69 and 10% BM for 70

CP stock drops to H68; B&M stock stays at G70

Mike Gonsalves (1687) sells 10% B&M for 70 and 10% CP for 68

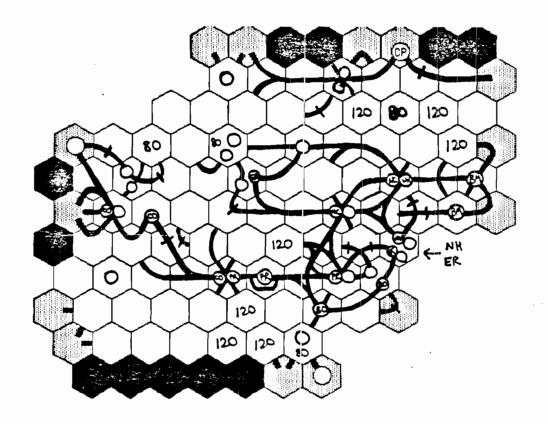
CP stock stays at H68; B&M stock stays at G70

David Hood (1361), SC (1784), DB (1474) pass

BW (867) buys 10% NYNH from pool for 90

All pass - Mark Frueh has the priority deal if there's a Stock Round 11

Stock 100% in player hands: B&O (C111), C&O (C140), Erie (F67), NYC (B180), PRR (D100)



PLAYER STANDINGS

Scott Cameron: 1784, 60% B&O, 60% CP, 10% NYC

Derwood Bowen: 1474, <u>60% B&M</u>, 20% B&O, 20% C&O, 20% PRR Bill Wordermann: 777, <u>60% PRR</u>, <u>40% Erie</u>, 20% NYNH, 10% B&M

Mark Frueh: 1501, 60% C&O, 10% B&O, 10% CP, 10% Erie, 10% NYC, 10% NYNH, 10% PRR

Mike Gonsalves: 1825, 50% NYNH, 20% NYC, 10% B&M, 10% B&O, 10% C&O, 10% Erie, 10% PRR

David Hood: 1361, 60% NYC, 40% Erie, 10% C&O

Pool: 20% B&M, 20% CP, 20% NYNH

Unsold: 10% CP

CORPORATION STANDINGS

NYC: Stock B180, Treasury 46, "5" train C&O: Stock C140, Treasury 0, "D" train B&O: Stock C111, Treasury 59, "D" train PRR: Stock D100, Treasury 102, "D" train NYNH: Stock E90, Treasury 251, "6" train Erie: Stock E71, Treasury 124, "6" train B&M: Stock G70, Treasury 0, "5" train CP: Par 67, Stock G69, Treasury 1, "5" train

NEXT TURN: I think we've reached the point where you can submit three Operating Rounds worth of orders at once; keep in mind that, barring massive spending, the game will end after OR 10.3.

If ANY of the players want to break this into two turns (10.1 and 10.2 this turn, 10.3 the next), I'll do it; just in case nobody does, submit orders for all three ORs of turn 10

DEADLINE is NOVEMBER 30

RAILWAY RIVALS "GYPSY" - GAMESTART - That's Stimmel, not Stimpel

Jim Goode: GREAT CENTRAL RAILWAY (GC), Orange, starts in BRISTOL

David Hood: HICKORY INTER-CONTINENTAL KINGPINS (HICK), Blue, starts in LONDON

Robert Stimmel: CAMELOT, Brown, starts in BIRKENHEAD

Richard Weiss: CHOO-CHOO MAESTRO, INC. (CCM), Pink, starts in HULL

Andrew York: SOUTH TEXAS-AUSTIN RAILWAYS (STAR), Green, starts in PRESTON

Notes: first, one of the players included Liverpool on his preference list, but Map B's starting cities are "any port except Liverpool"; after removing Liverpool from the appropriate list, the cities were selected from the preference list to give the fewest number of worst picks (for example, giving everyone their second choice would be selected over four first choices and a third).

Also: voteon RULES CHANCE to get ROUND 1 BUILDS: 5 - 4 - 5; DEADLINE is NOVEMBER 29 rid of the limit on the number of runs you con exter in a single turn



KINGMAKER "ME AND MY GAL", TURN 35 - Plantagenistas head for the hills

PLANTAGENISTAS (Cameron)

STANLEY, Earl of Richmond, Warden of the Cinque Ports, Archbishop of York, is in Douglas

CLIFFORD, Earl of Kent, Constable of Dover Castle, Bishop of Carlisle, Bishop of Durham, Leicester Town, Nottingham Town, Saxons, is in Conisboro

GREY, Earl of Wiltshire, is in Chillingham

NEVILLE, Warden of the Northern Marches, Archbishop of Canterbury, Bishop of Lincoln, Burgundian Crossbowmen, with Edward March, is in Richmond

SCROPE, Duke of Exeter, Lieutenant of Ireland, with George, is in Masham

PLANTAGENET YORK, Marshal of England, is in Sandal

Le GEORGE and Le TRINITY are in Rochester

INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION (York)

BERKELEY is in Rochester

HASTINGS, Burgundian Crossbowmen, is in Rochester

HERBERT is in Rochester

HOLLAND, Earl of Salisbury, Treasurer of England, Flemish Crossbowmen, with Edmund, is in Rochester MOWBRAY is in Rochester

KING'S COURT (Anderson)

BEAUFORT, Chancellor of England, is in Rochester

BOURCHIER, Earl of Essex, Chancellor of Lancaster, Bristol City, Swansea Town, Le Lucas, Le Michael, Le Nicholas, is in Rochester

CROMWELL, Earl of Worcester, Admiral of England, is in Rochester

FITZALAN, Coventry Town, is in Rochester

ROOS, Earl of Westmorland, Steward of the Royal Household, is in Rochester

STAFFORD, Constable of the Tower of London, Bishop of Norwich, with Margaret, is in Rochester

PLANTAGENET LANCASTER, Saxons, Scots Archers, More Scots Archers, is in Rochester

Le LUCAS, Le MICHAEL, and Le NICHOLAS are in Rochester

Le CHRISTOPHER is in Southampton

Le MARGARET is in Lynn

ROYAL TOADIES (McHugh)

AUDLEY is in Rochester TALBOT is in Rochester

NOTE ABOUT ROYAL HEIRS: Edmund and Margaret are named as belonging to specific nobles for convenience; they are with all of their faction's nobles in the same space (in both cases, Rochester) and do not travel with their "associated" noble (e.g. on a Raid & Revolt call) unless the player involved says so or all of the faction's nobles move out of the square.

CARDS IN HAND, including TURN 35 CROWN CARD (the deck is now once again empty):

TURN 36 EVENTS: PLAGUE KINGSTON, YORK (no effect); PARLIAMENT MAY BE SUMMONED (discarded), EMBASSY WEYMOUTH (discarded - no sole King); PLAGUE NOTTINGHAM, LEICESTER, COVENTRY (no effect)

DEADLINE for TURN 36 is DECEMBER 1 - remember that King's Peace is in effect in the Rochester square only



DIPLOMACY "TOMMY", SPRING 1902 - Tommy, can anybody hear me?

AUSTRIA (Wilson): A Vie-GAL, A Tri-SER, A WAR S A Vie-Gal, A BUD S A Tri-Ser, F Gre-BUL(sc)

ENGLAND (Anderson): NMR - has F LON, A NWY, F NTH, and F ENG FRANCE (McHugh): A Par-BUR, A Bur-BEL, A Por-SPA, F MAO-Eng

GERMANY (Bailey): A Ber-PRU, A MUN-Tyo, A Ruh-HOL, F DEN-Nth

ITALY (Appleyard): NMR - has A VEN, A TYO, and F ION

RUSSIA (Peery): NMR - has A MOS, F SWE, F SEV, and a retreat for A Gal to Ukr, Boh, Sil, or OTB

TURKEY (Kent): A Ank-CON, A Bul-RUM, A ARM-Sev, F BLA S A Bul-Rum

STANDBYS: I'm pretty sure Dave Anderson just forgot his orders, as he called me recently about orders for the games he's in. Will JIM GOODE, 211 MAPLEMERE, CLARKSVILLE, TN 37040-3558, submit standby orders for Italy, and DAVID HOOD, 2905 20TH ST NE, HICKORY, NC 28601-9185, submit standby orders for Russia?

DEADLINE for SUMMER and FALL 1902 is DECEMBER 2 PRESS

FRANCE-RUSSIA: You know they make the finest whines in your country! You're such a cry-baby. Larry' FRANCE-TURKEY: No, no, not that Bozo - the other Bozo - You're such a loser, Sack!

FRANCE-AUSTRIA: Sorry about that, but you mustn't tease my toady. It's not nice to be mean to the Sack!

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GAME OPENINGS

HISTORY OF THE WORLD - Signed up: McHugh, Bowen, Anderson, Wilson, Hood, Goode, Bailey Even I can't come up with a seven-player version, but I'll keep taking names until I'm ready to start and we'll see if we still have at least five to play

DIPLOMACY - No actual openings, but my standby list is now empty; standbys receive sub credit (50 cents for each of your first two orders plus \$1 for finishing the position)

TRIVIAL PURSUIT - Always more openings; all you have to do is answer 18 questions in 18 categories (one from each category in the Genus II, 1980s, and TV editions)



Lord Sacks Fifthavenue takes time out from attacking the Diplomatic Rebels to check out "who taid a finger on Bart's Butterfinger". It seems that despite everybody he could threaten to lay his hands on buying the things, he could only come up with four of the alibis (Lisa in Washington with the mysterious saxophone-playing bigwig, Otto getting another tattoo, Mr. Burns paying off some inspector, and Nelson raising Milhouse up the school flagpole). Now to see the commercial that exposes whether Homer or Krusty the Klown (that's how it's spelled) did

it. The suspect is wheeled out - it's Homer. "Good! I knew it had to be Homer. I can count that \$50,000,000 already!" Wait a minute - Maggie is pointing at something - this Homer has big floppy shoes - Bart pulls off the Homer mask to reveal that it's really Krusty! "WHAT??!!" "And the winner of the \$50,000,000 first prize is 1LOM The Computer aboard the Linoleum Falcon! Accepting the money in its name is EMPEROR Princess Luscious! Tell me, how did you do it?" "It was easy once I got that Homer alibi!"

Now Lord Sacks Fifthavenue is steamed. (ZOT) "And when I let off steam, I do it literally!" One call to the Intergalactic Butterfinger Distributors later, he gets a copy of the rules: "Four of the alibis will be distributed equally throughout the known universes. The fifth will be printed on one wrapper, to be made available in whatever location the Linoleum Falcon happens to be at the time we deliver it." "So they wants wrappers, eh? Weapons systems - load all of our Butterfinger wrappers into the firing tubes, and put the older ones with the bits of chocolate coating about to become alive in front!"

Pause...

"What's taking so long?"

"Well, we are so many of these things to get all of these wrappers that we're sick of Butterfingers! We can't touch another wrapper..."

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