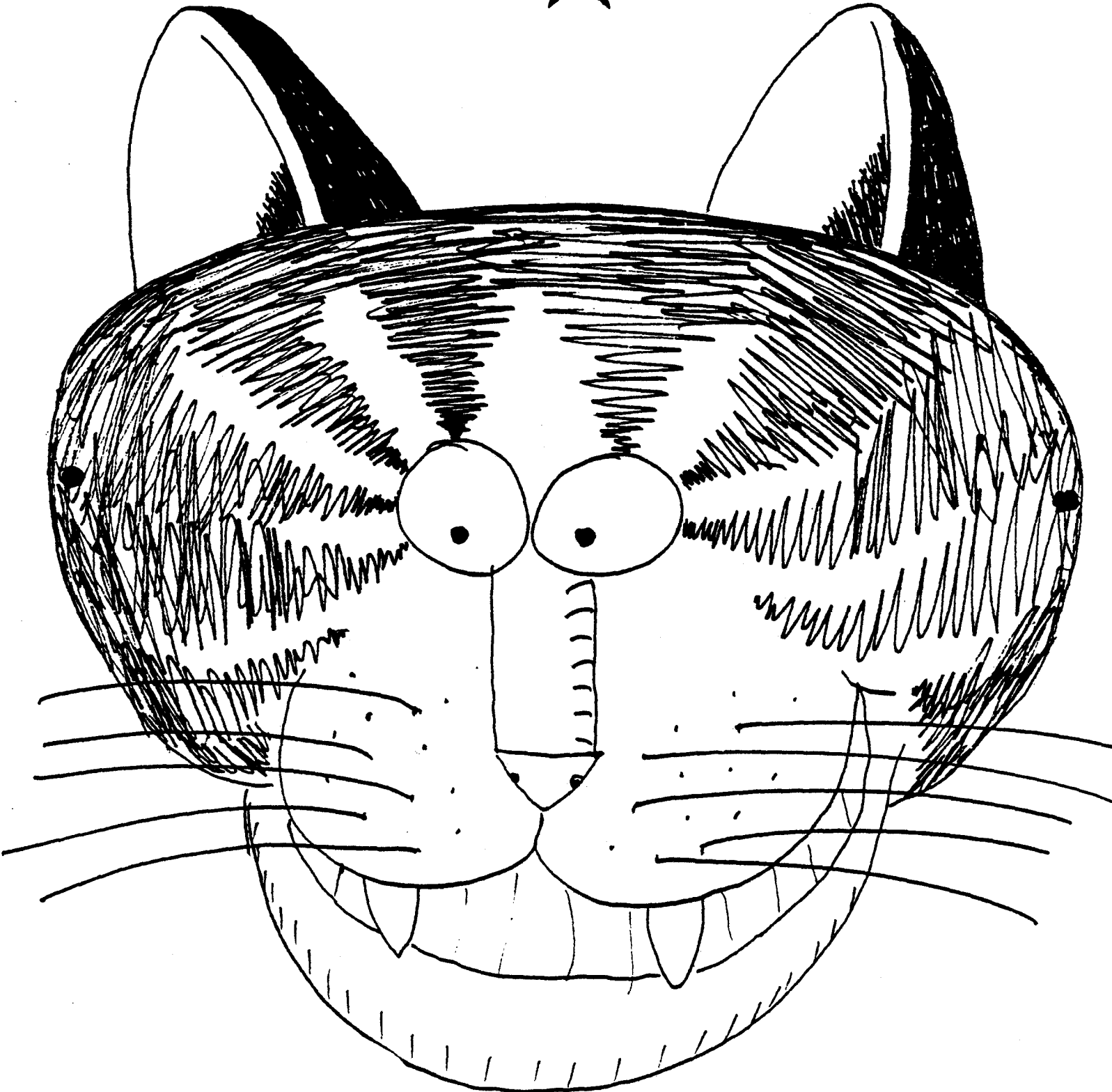


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CARUSO HALLOWEEN MASK *Directions: 1) Paste this sheet on cardboard, 2) Cut around outline of cat's head, 3) Punch out holes for string and eyes.*

★ ROUNDUP

of Texas & International News

TEXAS CON SCENE. Although ARMAGEDDON '81 (Houston, Nov. 6-8) and TEXCON '81 (Austin, Nov. 13-14) have not planned Diplomacy tournaments, they promise plenty of wargaming action. I don't have specific details about ARMAGEDDON, but TEXCON will conduct tournaments for miniatures, Stellar Conquest, Advanced D&D, Car Wars, Squadleader/Cross of Iron, and more. Diplomacy fans in this region need not despair, though! A group of Austinites are planning to conduct an ad hoc Diplomacy Tournament at or very near the TEXCON site. Rather than rigidly scheduled rounds, Diplomacy games will probably be played round-the-clock, whenever seven players want to start up a new game. Completed games will be recorded and prizes awarded for the best showings. *Contact me at LSD HQ here in Austin for more info on the DIPLOMACY TOURNAMENT.* For information on ARMAGEDDON contact Richard McLeod, Chairperson, Program Council U. of Houston Central Campus, Univ. Center N-23, Houston, TX 77004. For information on TEXCON write to David Ladyman, 8028 Gessner #1805, Austin, TX 78753.

DIPLOMACY DIGEST TRIVIA QUIZ. For those who missed it, DD#50 contained a Dippy Trivia Quiz with more than a hundred hobby-related questions. One of the questions concerned a game in LSD: What very recent game saw an I-R fleet clash and the loss of four home supply centers, all in 1902? Yes, friends, history was made in Gulf Coast (1981P) when Don Ditter's Italian F Ion and Garry Hamlin's Russian F Con bounced in the Aegean; Robert Jewett's Austria took Venice, but lost Budapest to Russia (who also took Con from Jim Williams). Meanwhile, Luis Porteny's France slipped into Gary Van Wie's Munich. John Mayes, as England, merely looked on in amazement, being satisfied with taking a neutral SC in Holland.

EVERYTHING. Issue #50 of the official journal of the Boardman Number Custodian Don Ditter (910 Hope St. #12A, Stamford, CT 06907) arrived recently. As always, it contained latest stats on gamestarts and finishes. Among the winners are LSD readers Ron Brown (78AE, Turkey), Bern Sampson (79W, Turkey), Vern Schaller (79AA, Germany) & Jack Masters (79CV, France). Astute diplomats can mine the statistics in EVERYTHING for bits of information about their current enemies and allies. Although the publisher is Bern Sampson, you must contact Don to subscribe.

ACE IN THE HOLE. David Buckalew (25711 North Vista Fairways Drive, Valencia, CA 91355) is now helping Jack Masters fill the pages of BLACK FROG with a new subzine. AITH is mainly a portrait gallery of cartoons poking fun at various hobby personalities, but the chat may reveal choice tidbits about life in the Masters household. Subs to BF may not be available for long, since Jack's placed a limit on them, so write to David. Maybe he can get you in under the wire.

SHADES OF MIDDLE EARTH. Named for the river in Tolkien's classic landscape, ANDUIN is one of the newest entries in the Class of '81. The second issue contained six pages (!) of letters on such meaty topics as the history of the Boardman/Walker feud, the ethics of letter-passing in postal play, and more. Write to Eric Kane, 109 Hicks Lane, Great Neck, NY 11024 for a sample of this zine, which has openings in regular Diplomacy, Kingmaker, Youngstown, and Machiavelli.

CARUSO PLAYERS POLL. Run by the human being, not the hobby mascot, this poll solicits your first three choices in each of three categories: Best Regular Diplomacy Player, Best Variant Player, and Best Article Writer. Send your votes to John Caruso at 160-02 43rd Ave., 2nd Floor, Flushing, NY 11358 by the deadline of November 22, 1981. Ask for a sample of WHITESTONIA while you are at it.

BEYERLEIN PLAYER POLL. Between 1971 and 1975 Doug Beyerlein polled the hobby eight times, but discontinued it when he became Boardman Number Custodian. To participate in the ninth poll, make a list of those you consider to be the top 14 currently active postal Diplomacy players and send it to Doug Beyerlein, 640 College, Menlo Park, CA 94025 by the deadline of 15 February 1982. Points will be assigned to each place and then summarized for the final rankings, to be distributed on 31 March 1982.

Shoe



CLASS OF '81 POLL. Glenn Overby announced recently the 2nd Annual Freshman Class Poll in his dipzine JIHAD! It is a Leeder-style poll in which voters rate zines from 0 (a total loser) to 10 (practically perfect), plus one or two lines of commentary for each zine. Send your impressions to 23096 Tawas, Hazel Park, MI 48030 by the deadline of 15 January 1982. Though some of the zines listed below seem like old, familiar friends, all of them are eligible for this poll, since they premiered in 1981:

Anduin	Great War in Modern Memory
The Chamber	Irksome
Diplomatic Immunity	Klepto Mania
Dot Happy	Paranoiac's Monthly
Erebor	The Schemer
Europa Express	Sleepless Knights
Give Me A Weapon	The White Duke

There are probably more 1981 zines to add to this list, it was a very good year!



Heart O' Texas Orphanage

Victory has a hundred
fathers, but defeat is
an orphan.

--Count Galeazzo Ciano



1979 HS **Armadillo** S 1909

RUSSIAN FORCES REFUSE SUPPORT,
PULL BACK FROM CONFRONTATIONS

FRANCE (Ted Füh): F MID s Russian F Iri-Eng [nso],
A Bur-PIC, A PAR s A Bur-Pic, F SPA(sc) h.
GERMANY (Doug Tatsch): A DEN-Swe, A Mun-RUH,
A Ber-MUN, F BRE s Russian F Nat-Mid [nso],
A Bel-BUR, A Pic s A Bel-Bur [dsl, ret to Bel
or dsb], F ENG s F Bre, F NTH s F Eng,
A TYO u, h.
ITALY (John Koehler): F Lyo-WES, F Ven-Ion,
F TUN & F TRH s F Ven-Ion [nsu], F NAP u, h,
A PIE-Tyo, A Ser-TRI, A VEN s A Ser-Tri,
A BUD s Russian A Bul-Rum, A GRE h.
RUSSIA (John Daly): A Gai-WAR, A Rum-UKR,
A Bul-RUM, A SEV s A Bul-Rum, F Bla-BUL(ec),
F AEG s F Bla-Bul, F EAS h, A NWY-Swe,
F NWG-Nwy, F IRI h, F Nat-CLY, A Lpi-EDI.

+ Two proposals for a draw have been submitted:
FGIR & GIR. Vote with fall orders. NVR = yes.

+ PRESS--

BERLIN: The Kaiser today reaffirmed his support for
the GIR draw and called on our Italian & Russian
brethren to close ranks with us in our search for
peace. As long as we are united in our resolve and
combine our forces against the French, the issue will
ultimately be decided in our favor.

DUBLIN: King Edward VII of England (in exile) has
patched up relations with his nephew the Tsar of
Russia. His Majesty foresees a peaceful draw between
his two nephews and the dreaded Italian King.

This cartoon appeared in a recent issue of the
1981 Leeder Poll winner: BLACK FROG--



1979 HT **Bluebonnet** W 1909

TIME OUT: EUROPEAN MONARCHS
EYEBALL NEW SULTANA EL LISSA

+ Two players have requested separate seasons.
Accordingly we report only autumn and winter.

+ Autumn 1909: Russia retreats dsl A Vie-Bud &
A Sil-Gal.

FRANCE (Dave Ohlendorf): Has F TRH, A PIE,
A TUS, A NAF, F TUN, F WES, F LYO, F NTH,
& F NWG (9).

GERMANY (Dick Martin): Builds A MUN; also has
F NWY, A SWE, A DEN, F BAL, A SIL, A BER,
A VIE, & A TYO (9).

ITALY (Tony Auxier): Has A ROM & A NAP (2).

RUSSIA (Bob Peacock): Removes F Ska; has F RUM,
A BUD, A STP A LVN, A GAL, & A PRU (6).

TURKEY (Cynthia Ellis): Builds A CON; also has
A VEN, A TRI, F ADR, F APU, F ION, A BUL,
& A GRE (8).

+ An FIRTG draw has been proposed. Results of vote
will precede spring moves. NVR = yes.

+ PRESS--

KG-LSD: How do you like these conditions?! I
thought not. This sort of situation is ridiculous!
Next time, I'll just annihilate those units.

LSD-KG: Sure you will. The separation seems easier.

ROM-EUROPE: The Pope has recruited armies from
all Europe save Russia for a new international military
force under his direct control. France, Italy, Ger-
many, & Turkey have units in Italy for training
at present.

LSD-ROM: Maybe Martin didn't get your invitation.

GENEVA: The Pope has talked with all current heads
of state. The peace process is slow and painful, but
we hope to rise to the occasion and have peace in our
time.

VATICAN-ITALY: Pope Antonio has ordered the
Swiss Guard to seize control of Rome. All Italy shall
now be subject to the Vatican. This occurred while
the King was smoking his newly discovered Turkish
water pipe.

ROM-CON: Thank you for your continued good faith
in arms reductions. Hopefully you will soon match
our own armies.

GERMANY-RUSSIA: If you can't beat me with force,
why not try talking to me?

ROM-ANK: Congratulations on the coup. The Pope
sends his warmest regards. We hope you will see the
folly of the old regime's Italian policy.

POPE-EUROPE: Due to the takeover of the Italian
government we request the following builds: F Lake
Geneva, A Bern, and A Lichtenstein.

LSD-POPE: Good try, but no cigar.

POPE-KING GERBIL: Que seru, seru--there wasn't
much else to do.

Deadline for all LSD games:

DECEMBER 4, 1981



Post Office of Texas



A couple of players in Horned Toad (1981 AU) --not necessarily the principals--wrote asking clarification on my ruling which disallowed the Turkish order A BUL s Russian A Rum [nsu], since the Russian unit in Rumania was a fleet.

It's impossible for the GM to know when a player intends his order to succeed or fail, except when specific instructions are included ("I know this order is miswritten, but I want it to fail so I won't have to help England take Belgium" is a typical example). Therefore, when a unit is mid-identified I cannot presume to second guess the player and allow what I think may have been intended.

"But what if the Turk had written Bul s Rum?" I tend to think this leaves out too much information, but perhaps this is the badly written order mentioned in the Rulebook and should be allowed. Any other comments on this point?

Mike,

Are you interested in going to St. Louis on October 24-25 to meet me, Gary Coughlan, John Michalski, and others? Eric Ozog says that Guy & Elizabeth Hail from Austin are going for sure.

I'll have to start looking for more stars, because I got another car which will need bumperstickers. It's an MG-C GT (which is an MG-B with a hardtop and hatchback, and a six-cylinder Austin-Healey (rather than a four-cylinder MG) engine) which is a long way from seeing the road.

I still have the Mustang, and it's not done yet, but I've made lots of progress and have only a few things left to do (rear springs and frame work, plus paint and assemble the interior).

Andy Lischett

Guess who is typing up LSD#14 as you guys are having it out across the Diplomacy board?! Grrr!

Your new car came along just in time. I have obtained a quantity of a brand new style bumpersticker, which shows Oat Willie, a local headshop trademark with his torch and his motto: Onward Thru The Fog! Should look good on a lowlung sportscar.

Dear Mike,

Sorry this is handwritten instead of typed, but I injured my hand playing soccer and don't expect it to be healed until October 10 or so. Good thing I typed up most of the next GWMM issue before the soccer game!

I never mentioned it, but as thoughtful as your offer of my printing a sub-zine to LSD was, I can't afford your circulation. I plan on limiting, somehow, GWMM's to under 50. That's why I'll only run four games and no hobby news. I don't see how you afford your 100+ circulation.

Slight joke: Now that federal social programs have been cut back I keep hearing how impossible it is to live in Austin on \$400/month. After taxes, Libby & I do!

Guy Hail

Don't apologize--your handwriting's better than your typing!

I'm feeling a slight pinch from the cost of sending LSD out to so many folks. Xerox-type reproduction is not cheap, but it is flexible. I'm trying in several ways to cover my expenses a little more fully. My circulation has peaked, and I hope to reduce it to below 100 permanently. I will also increase subfees after the first of the year (this is a warning for those who want to resub now, while the old rate is in effect). The number of games carried in LSD will decline over the next year or so to around half-a-dozen. And I am also considering cutting trades.

This last area is one I've struggled with for quite a while. On one hand it is "fannish" to trade with other zines, to keep up with what's going on throughout the hobby. On the other, many zines are warehouses, carrying only games I don't have time to follow, and the ones who do have chat and hobby news are repetitious. It's not really necessary to read 40+ zines every month to keep up with things. If I do cut trades, I would continue to sub to those that I genuinely wanted to read on a regular basis.

I blanch at your budget. That barely covers shelter costs here. And if we had to move, it would barely cover rent alone! Does your landlord need any other tenants? I can recommend a nice family.

Mike:

Here's six dollars for ten more issues of my favorite zine. Hope Post Office of Texas becomes a regular feature, and I really loved that theory by Gary Coughlan.

Concerning future games, I'm wondering if I can reserve a spot in a game once I get finished (or eliminated) in Derrick.

The last couple days, I've been working on a diplomatic variant based on SPI's Starforce. Included are economics (including taxation rates; the higher the rates, the more likelihood of revolt; fixed natural resources) and espionage (yes, you too can buy your neighbor's secrets). Anyway, I hope to have a facsimile together in another month (i.e., rules and all the other stuff I need) and would like to run a playtest by mail right out of Chesterton, IN! If you know of anybody who might be interested, send them my way (no fee). I need five players plus three standbys.

Mark Luedi

I'll put you on the waiting list for future games. There are already nine on the list, but there won't be any gamestarts here until 1982.

Sense of Omission

Part I. Pair Halves

(The first in a series of three articles by Ben Teague)

English, as we know who use it, is a wonder--rich, expansive, strong, subtle, exact. What we sometimes fail to notice about our language is the chances it has missed: words not borrowed, phrases not turned, nuances not fully shaded. Just as anthropologists learn about man by studying his failed relatives (Neanderthal, Crô-Magnon), so we gain insight into English through these *mots manques*.

Think, for instance, of *torpor* and *torpid*, *liquor* and *liquid*, *fetor* and *fetid*, *stupor* and *stupid*. Each pair shares a root (*torp-*, *liqu-*, *fet-*, *stup-*); the members differ in the suffix: *-or* for nouns, *-id* for adjectives. If *liquid* (noun) seems an exception, I point out that it began as an adjective, as in "liquid matter".

Each pair expresses the same semantic relation: the *-or* word denotes "the *-id* state, or matter in the *-id* state". *Torpor* means "torpid condition", *liquor* means "matter in the liquid state", and so on.

Now consider *timid*. Like *fetid* and *stupid*, it is an adjective with a root (*tim-*) plus *-id*. But English, for reasons that must have seemed perfectly good at the time, did not pick up the matching *-or* noun, *timor* (Latin, "fear"). Instead of a neat pair we have *timid* but *timorousness*, a long clumsy word that we seldom use.

We find the same story repeated dozens of times, so that our language falls that many words short of a tidy, logical vocabulary. I offer some examples to show how we would have gained by keeping all these pairs intact.

Odor. We have no good adjective to go with *odor*, save the rude *smelly* and the misleading *fragrant*. When we must politely describe an object with an odor, we have to tack on more syllables: *odoriferous*. *Odid* would have been a better choice.

Limpid. Although *limpidity* is not as ugly as *odoriferous*, still *limpor* would have served better to denote "transparency, intelligibility, serenity".

Furor. English has no match for *furor*. It isn't *furios*; *uproarious* is not far off, but still not right. Only *furid* would fill the bill, and we don't have it.

Livid. Using *livor* might cause some trouble (we could confuse it with *spleen* when using it figuratively, or we might hear "liver spots" in a post-mortem report), but on balance we would be better off with it than we are without.

Mayor. Perhaps we would find few occasions to use *mayid*, but it would help us tell "the *mayid* house" (the official residence of the mayor) from "the mayor's house" (the house that this mayor owns).

Hominid. College sophomores could start their term papers "From the very beginning of *hominor*" instead of "Throughout the history of mankind".

Vendor. Nobody would confuse the *vendid* problem with the *vendor* problem, and we would save on apostrophes (and errors).

Orchid. I realize that we have never had much to say about "the state or condition of being like an orchid", but who can say that we wouldn't have thought more about it if we could have just said *orchor*? (Etymologically, of course, *orchor* would mean "state of being shaped like a testicle," so that we could save even more syllables in medical lectures).

Clearly English has suffered through the lack of partners for these and many more words. In my next two articles I will demonstrate what harm we have done our language by forgetting our roots.



1981 P

Cactus

S 1906

ROLL OUT THE RED CARPET:
THE RUSSIANS ARE COMING!

+ Autumn 1905: France retreats dsl F Mid-Por.

+ Winter 1905: France builds F Mar; Germany removes A Mun & A Ruh; Italy builds F Rom (to replace unit dsl in spring '05; Russia builds F Stp(nc) & A War.

ENGLAND (David Pierce): F Eng-LON, F Mid-ENG, F IRI s F Mid-Eng, F Pic-BEL.

FRANCE (Greg Fritz): F POR-Mid, F Mar-SPA(sc), A Par-PIC, F BRE s A Par-Pic, A GAS s F Bre, A Mun-RUH.

GERMANY (Charles Cunningham): A Boh-MUN.

ITALY (James Lawniczak): F Trh-TUN, F Rom-TRH, F NAP s F Rom-Trh, A APU-Smy (you gotta be kidding).

RUSSIA (Bob Sergeant): A Gal-BOH, A VIE s A Gal-Boh, A Kie-HOL, A Ber-KIE, A Sil-BER, A War-SIL, F BAL s A Ber-Kie, F RUM h, A Tyo-PIE, A Tri-TYO, A Ser-TRI, F Ska-NTH, F HEL s F Ska-Nth, F Stp(nc)-NWY.

RUSSIA (Bern Sampson): A CON-Apu, F AEG & F ION c A Con-Apu, F GRE s F Ion, A BUL h.

+ A concession to Russia has been proposed. Vote will be tallied before fall orders are executed. NVR = yes.

+ PRESS--

PAR-LON: It is too bad that this game will be ending soon. It would have given me great joy to see the British Empire (so-called) crumble beneath my feet. But instead, you will survive (barely), which is more than I can say for your buddy across the North Sea. It is too bad that we were unable to ever come to an understanding, because we could have made a great team. As it stands you are just as much of a loser as I am. And that is what bothers me!

PAR-ROM: Thanks for everything, Jim.

RUSSIA: It is with increasing dismay that Mother Russia has listened to the repeated statements of the Italian representative in public and in private that Russia has managed through 5 years of war with no allies. Russia could not have done so well thus far without the steadfast support of her good friends & allies, won by Russia's willingness to adhere to the letter of an agreement, if not exactly the spirit. Turkey, in particular, has been a good friend of Russia, and Russia can recommend him as an ally without reservation.

PEANUTS® by Charles M. Schulz





1980 KC

Derrick

W 1904

COMBATANTS ARRANGE TRUCE FOR WINTER CONSTRUCTION & DISCUSSION

+ Autumn 1904: Austria retreats A Bul-Gre.

+ By player request, only Winter adjustments will be reported this month.

AUSTRIA (Ned Nichols): Builds A TRI; also has F CON, A GRE, A GAL, A RUM, A SER, & A BUD (7).

ENGLAND (Jack Smith): Removes A Stp; has A BEL, F NTH, F ENG, F EDI, F NAT (5).

FRANCE (Bobby Stephens): Builds F MAR; also has F MID, F WAL, F LPL, A PIC, & A BUR (6).

GERMANY (Al Giddings): Builds A BER; also has A RUH, A SIL, A MUN, F HOL, & F DEN (6).

ITALY (Mark Luedi): Builds A VEN; also has A PIE, F LYO, F AEG, F SMY, & A ANK (6).

RUSSIA (David Pierce): Has F SEV, A UKR, & A WAR (3).

TURKEY (Mike Henry): Removes F Bla; has A BUL (1).

+ COZip: Al Giddings zipcode is now 73702.

+ PRESS--

VIE-CON: No hard feelings?

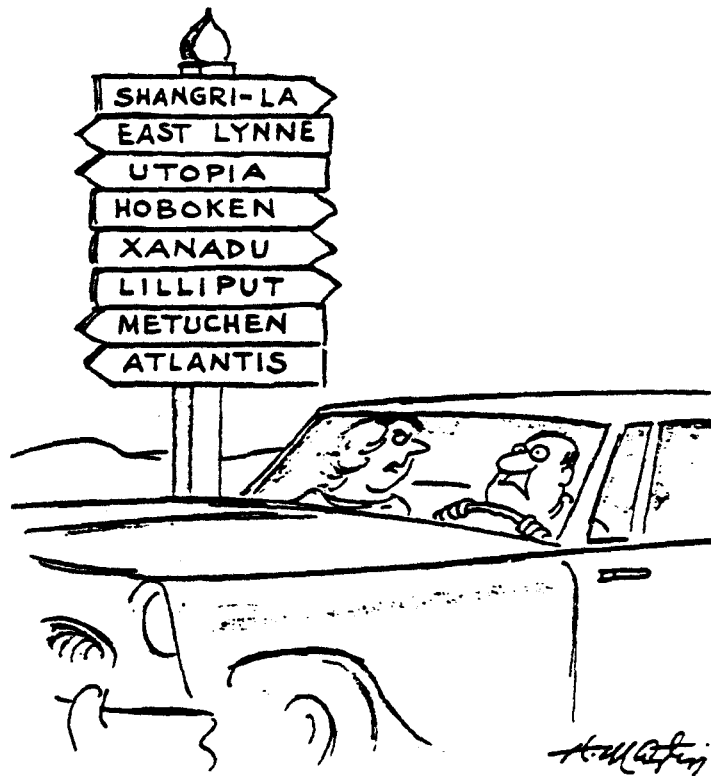
LSD-VIE: Enjoy talking to yourself, huh?

BUL-HOUSTON: It's a long fly ball. It's going, going, gonnann....

BUL-PAR: Hi, Bobby. Good luck.

BUL-MOS: Go get 'em, David. I hope you can show Goliath the Bible version was right.

ITALY: No gnuz iz good gnuz!



"For heaven's sake, Melvin, why don't you pull into a filling station and find out where the hell we are?"

COLLEGE FOOTBALL - FLORIDA STYLE

A Slice of Americana

by Jeff Noto

While I must admit that my Florida Gators are not a team equal to the Texas Longhorns, college football at the U of F is nonetheless a memorable experience. Being a member (albeit inactive now) of a fraternity makes it even more enjoyable.

Everyone gathers at the house at 11:30 for lunch and some pregame banter. This is also the time to make bets on the house pool. For one dollar you can choose a square on a 100-block chart, and if your square contains the last digit of each team's total points at the end of any quarter, you win \$25. In almost three years of betting, I have never won, not even once.

Food and gambling are not the only things to be discussed. One major test of a person's mettle is to figure out how to sneak his bottle of Jack Daniels past the stadium's security guards. Some guys have it easy--they just stuff it in their girlfriends' purses. For those not so fortunate, they usually stick it inside their pants and hope the guards will think they have overactive glands. There is also the decision as to which of our little sisters will get passed up.

Passed up? You mean that some of you have never heard of the art of passing up? Well then, let me tell you about it.

Since no one listens to the band at halftime, the guys in the fraternity (we all sit together, by the way) have to find another way to entertain themselves. And what is it they do, you ask? Well, what essentially happens is that the guys in row 21 see an attractive young woman sitting in row 20 and literally sweep her off her feet.

After getting a better look at her they give her to the guys in row 22, who perform the same process

and then hand her to the fellows in row 23. If she is lucky, the procedure is continued all the way up to row 90. If she is unable to make it that far, it means that she came across a row of guys who had a severe case of butterfingers.

Qualifications for the female "passee" are almost non-existent. All that is required of her is that she be relatively gorgeous and do something that is deemed worthy of being passed up (usually showing up for the game is reason enough). She must also fall into one of two major categories: fighters and non-fighters.

Fighters can be subdivided into two categories. The first are those who say, "No! Don't do this to me!". These gals are usually the most dangerous, especially if they are wearing shoes with high heels. They have also been known to scratch and bite. The other category are those whose line of reasoning goes like this: "OK you guys, if I'm going up there I'm going to take some of you with me." They often pick out one individual and hang onto him for dear life. These ladies usually turn passing up into a tug-of-war match.

Non-fighters also have two classes. The first are those who say, "Oh, the HELL with it!" This is a class of former fighters who know that resistance is useless. The last class is the "Thank God, I thought you guys would never pick me" people. Yes, strange as it may seem, some girls enjoy being passed up.

Passing up just happens to be my favorite part of Florida football. What reasons do I give for this, you ask? Just one, dear readers, just one. It's one of the few ways that a nice, decent Catholic boy like myself can have a little fun without violating the Sixth Commandment.

1981 A **Enchanted Rock** F 1905KAISER STABS SOUTH, SETTLES SCORE;
TSAR SAVES SEV, SETTLES WITH SCOTS

+ Summer 1905: Austria retreats dsl F Con-Aeg;
Germany retreats dsl A Hol-Kie; Italy retreats dsl
A Vie-Gal.

AUSTRIA (Fred Winter): A VIE s A Bud, A BUD s
A Vie, A Tri-Ven [dsl, ret to Ser, Alb, or dsb],
A Sev-Ukr [dsl, ret to Arm or dsb], A RUM s
A Sev-Ukr, A Bul-CON, F SMY s A Bul-Con,
F Aeg-GRE.

ENGLAND (Dave Grabar): F BEL-Nth, F Hol s
F Bel-Nth [dsl, ret to Hel or dsb].

FRANCE (William Owen): A LON-Bel, F ENG s
A Lon-Bel, A BUR s A Lon-Bel, A YOR-Lon,
A PIE s German A Tyo-Ven [nso], F MID h.

GERMANY (Tom Hancock): A Tyo-TRI, A BOH-Vie,
A Kie-HOL, A RUH s A Kie-Hol, A MUN h.

ITALY (Guy Hail): A GAL-Rum, A VEN s German
A Tyo-Tri, F Ion-ADR, F Nap-ion & F TUN s
F Nap-Tun [nsu], F TRH u, h.

RUSSIA (Dan Stafford): F Edi-CLY, A Den-EDI,
F NTH c A Den-Edi, A Mos-SEV, F BLA s
A Mos-Sev, A UKR s Italian A Gal-Rum,
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TURKEY (CD): A SYR h.

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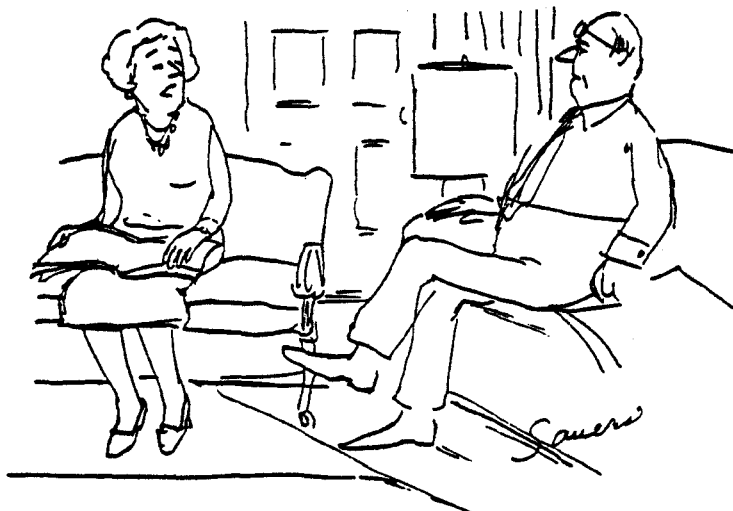
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I: Home, Tun, Vie	4/remove 1
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+ PRESS--

NEW ALAMO: The Sultan and the King of England took up residence in the former embassies of their countries here, vowing to return someday.

LONDON: The Popular Peoples Republic of England was created today, A Congress replaces the old Parliament, the King was deposed, and a President will be elected head of state. The new Republic shares the islands of Great Britain with the Republics of Wales and Scotland.

LSD: Don't forget Ireland!



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81 B

Friendship

F 1904



CONVOY TURKICIZES ITALIAN BOOT;
ONLY KAISER GAINS BY CENTER SWAP

+ Summer 1904: England retreats dsl F Nwy-Swe.

AUSTRIA (Art Schleinkofer): F GRE s Turkish F Ion,
A War-GAL, A BUD-Vie, A RUM-Bud, A SER-Tri.

ENGLAND (Bryan Jurkowski): A FIN-Stp, F SWE-Nwy,
F Eng-NTH, F Cly-LPL.

GERMANY (George Cunningham): F Bal-BOT,
A LVN-Mos, A Sil-WAR, A PRU s A Sil-War,
F BEL h, A BRE h, A PAR s A Bre, A DEN-Swe.

ITALY (Paul Goodrich): F Trh-TUN, F ADR-Ion,
F NAP s F ADR-Ion, A TRI-Vie, A VEN-Tri,
A Gas-MAR, F Por-MID, F NAT s F Por-Mid.

RUSSIA (Don Schettler): F Nwy h, A STP-Mos,
F BAR-Stp(nc).

TURKEY (Mike Drews): A Bul-APU, F AEG & F ION
c A Bul-Apu, A Sev-BUL, F BLA c A Sev-Bul.

SUPPLY CENTER STATUS for winter adjustments:

A: Vie, Bud, Ser, Gre, Rum	5/even
E: Home, Nwy, SWE	4/even
F: Bre	0/out
G: Home, Den, Swe, WAR, Hol,	
Bel, Par, BRE	9/build 1
I: Home, Tun, Mar, Spa, Por, Tri	8/even
R: Stp, War, Mos, Nwy	3/even
T: Home, Sev, Bul	5/even

+ A 3-issue sub credit and many thanks go to Art Guajardo for his spirited defense of the defunct French interest in this game.

+ PRESS--

ANKARA WORLD DAILY: Oct. 23, 1904--Today, under the direct leadership of the Sultan, the Turkish army landed on the beaches of Apulia, launching its first major offensive against the Italian empire. "We should be able to take and hold Apulia within a couple of days," said the Sultan as the first Italian prisoners were taken. With help from the strong Turkish navy and the Austrian monarchy, the defeat of Italy can be seen in the near future.

LON-STP: O God, the nations have invaded thine inheritance; they have defiled thy holy temple, they have laid Jerusalem (Norway) in ruins. Pour out thy wrath upon the nation which does not know thee, and upon the Kingdom which does not call upon thy name (Psalm 79:1,6).

CYPRUS-ANKARA: Help! Liberate us and our brothers in Greece from the awful rule of the Austrians. Every day the cruel Austrians steal our food, burn our homes, and rape our women. Please free us from our unbearable masters!

LON-NWY: I shall return!



1981 P

Gulf Coast

F 1904

RUSSO-TURKISH MILITARY MACHINE CONTINUES TO DOMINATE HEADLINES

ENGLAND (John Mayes): F HOL-Kie, A BEL h,
F NTH s A Bel, F Eng-BRE, F MID s F Eng-Bre,
F NWY s F Nth.

FRANCE (Luis Porteny): A KIE-Hol, A Mun-BUR,
A PIC-Bel, A RUH s A Pic-Bel, A Bre-Pic [ds],
ret to Par, Gas, or dsb], F Spa(sc)-POR,
F Mar-SPA(sc), F NAP h.

ITALY (Don Ditter): F TUN-Ion, A ROM-Nap,
A Ven-Apu [ds], ret to Pie, Tus, or dsb].

RUSSIA (Garry Hamlin): A Sil-BER, A PRU s A Sil-
Ber, A Boh-MUN, A TYO s A Boh-Mun,
A Vie-GAL, A Lvn-WAR, A Mos-STP, F DEN-Kie,
F SWE h, F AEG-Ion.

TURKEY (Jim Williams): F CON takes five [h],
A Tri-VEN, F ADR & F APU s A Tri-Ven,
F Ion-TRH, A ALB bides its time [h].

SUPPLY CENTER STATUS for winter adjustments:

E: Home, Nwy, Hol, Bel, BRE 7/build 1
F: Par, Mar, Bre, Por, Spa, Nap,
Mun, Kie, Ber 6/remove 2
[played 1 short]
I: Rom, Ven, Tun 2/remove 1
R: Home, Swe, Den, Rum, Bud,
Vie, Con, MUN, BER 11/add 1
T: Ank, Smy, CON, Bul, Ser,
Gre, Tri, VEN 8/add 2

+ COA: John L. Mayes, 8017 Gessner Dr. #123,
Austin, TX 78753.

+ Time pressures have forced Luis to resign from the
game. Will Steve McLendon (Box 57066, Webster,
TX 77598) please assume the French Presidency?

+ This game has established for itself a historic place
in the annals of postal Diplomacy. See the note in
the Roundup column, page 2.

+ PRESS--

ANK-PAR: Thanks for the assist! I hope I can be
of some assistance to you someday.

ANK-MOS: Did I tsee you in Tschicago, Tsar?

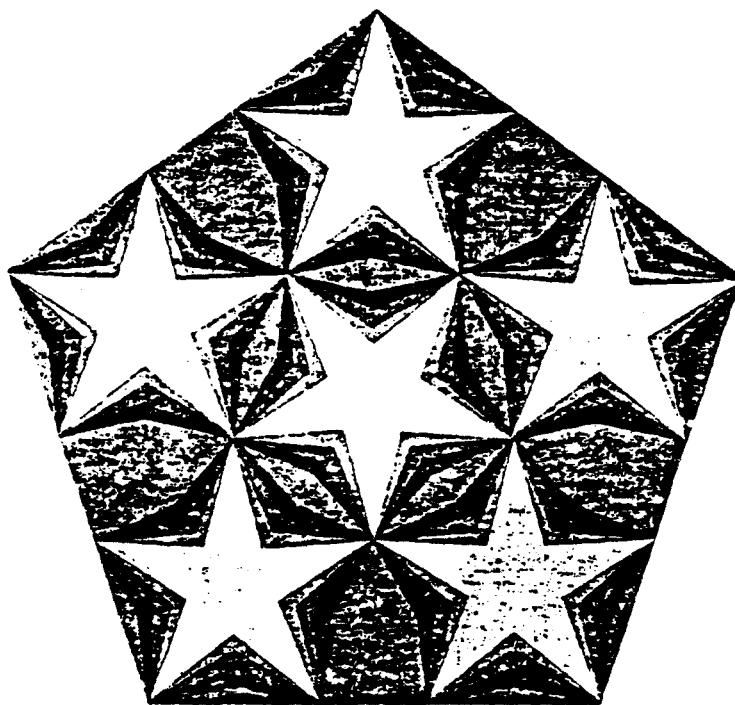
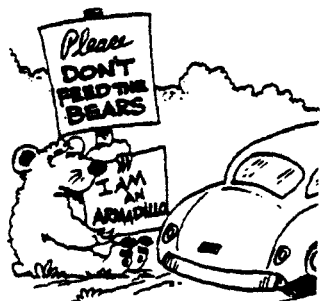
LSD-ANK: Tsk, tsk!

ANK-ROM: Ever wonder what it would be like to be
between a rock and a hard place?

WAR-PAR: Sorry, Luis. We're both land powers--
the only two left. We've developed wrong to help
each other. Another game, perhaps?

LON-ANK: Are you talking to me?!

If you don't sub-
scribe to Gary
Coughlan's zine
EUROPA EXPRESS
you missed this
cartoon in the last
issue (& a lot more).



STAR OF THE MONTH: Vern Schaller sent in
this constellation, but only gets one bumpersticker.

Post Office, continued from p.4

Dear Mike,

LSD's graphics [in #13] leave a lot to be desired.
The captions and lettering are barely readable, a far
cry from the otherwise superb presentation. "Hagar"
came out fine, but the rest, well.... Otherwise, a
very good job.

Ted Kuhn

I agree with your complaints. I have a running
problem trying to give printing instructions that will
produce optimal results. Besides the loss of definition,
the whole thing was reduced by the wrong percentage,
which made the type smaller and harder to read. But
when I picked it up from the printer, I judged that
it would be better to get the flawed issue in the mail
that day, rather than wait for the job to be redone.
I hope this issue looks a little better! And thanks for
the feedback.



Dear Mike,

Gary L. Coughlan's report as to your true
loyalties was indeed interesting, but I've got a
correction for him.

Hawaii, Vermont, Texas, and the South are not
the only parts of the US that have been independent.
How could he forget my home state, the California
Bear Republic?

The cartoon illustrated by Bob Langley states
that "Violence is the last resort of the incompetent".
If you have read Isaac Asimov's Foundation you know
that quote can be attributed to Salvor Hardin, Mayor
of the Foundation. Did someone else come up with
that quote before Asimov?

James S. Woodson

81AU **Horned Toad** S 1903

ITALY REELS FROM NORTHERN LOSSES DUE TO A-H STAB & FRENCH REBOUND

+ Autumn 1902: Russia retreats dsl F Rum-Sev.

+ Winter 1902: Austria builds F Tri; England builds F Edi; France builds F Mar & A Bre (played 2 short throughout 1902); Germany builds A Kie; Russia removes F Bot.

AUSTRIA (Ted Kuhn): A Tyo-VEN, F TRI s A Tyo-Ven, A Bud-GAL, F GRE-Bul(sc), A SER s F Gre-Bul, A RUM s F Gre-Bul.

ENGLAND (Allen King): F Bar-STP(nc), A NWY s F Bar-Stp, F Edi-NTH, F BEL s F Eng, F ENG s F Bel.

FRANCE (James Woodson): F Mar-LYO, F SPA(sc) s F Mar-Lyo, A Gas-MAR, A BUR s A Gas-Mar, A BRE h.

GERMANY (Bill Quinn): A Kie-RUH, A MUN s A Kie-Ruh, A PRU-War, A SIL s A Pru-War, F Swe-FIN, F BAL-Lvn.

ITALY (John Koehler): A TUN h, A PIE-Mar, F LYO s A Pie-Mar [dsl, ret to Wes, Trh, Tus, or dsb], F Aeg-Ion [nsu], F ION u, h.

RUSSIA (Rich Reed): A Stp-Lvn [dsl, ann], A WAR s A Stp-Lvn, A MOS s A War, F SEV-Rum.

TURKEY (Glenn Sherrill): F EAS-Ion, F AEG-Gre, A BUL s F Aeg-Gre, A CON s A Bul.

+ COAs: Glenn Sherrill will be back at PO Box 664, Moab, UT 84532 after 5 November; James Woodson is alive and well at 222 Sanford Hall, Minneapolis, MN 55455.

+ PRESS--

PARIS: The French capital was shocked by the news that several thousand of the army's reserve under the command of General Jauque Capetian seized control of the government in a bloodless coup. The President & his Ministers continued on their policy of the past few years and did nothing. The Parliament, on the following day, proclaimed their allegiance to Capetian and

his rule. Capetian, proclaiming that he could do nothing to right the wrongs imposed by the previous government if he had to do them through anything as clumsy as a Parliament, sent the legislators home and, claiming to be descended from the Capet Kings of the Middle Ages, declared himself Jauque I. Parliament refused to be dissolved until they were pressured to obey by a Parisian mob who by then were glad to have a rule who promised action. Jauque I has since declared his policy to continue to attempt to work with England and Germany in fighting the Eastern Menace. Vowing renewed vigor in the War with Italy, the sovereign left for Marseilles.

PAR-BER & LON: I'm back in the game now and still desire friendship. I just hope that is what the West will give me.

LON-PAR: Thank you for your kind letters. I'm glad to see your postal clerks have gone back to work.

RADIO FREE ANDORRA: A Vigenere message, sent by way of Constantinople--VVRKN LGTVN BSELG DBHXA EXXYS PDIFH BSGNB NVPSI SEVHU WRHNO MPCBP XQOAS ZRRMZ SCESP FRDBG VHC FH DWITS SAUXA AWEVZ ADSQB OWVOA WCPHX YKLCV FMMNG MHTJC WXXYZ.

LSD-ANDORRA: @#&! **#!

PAR-VIE: Nice to hear from you. Let's talk more.

ICELAND: It is rumoured that the Austrian monarch is suffering from acute paranoid schizophrenia. He claims his enemies are everywhere. Perhaps he's just seen the writing on the wall.

PAR-CON: Meet me at Sicily!

LON-CON: Oh yes I do!

PAR-ROM: As soon as you vacate Piedmont and all waters west of your own peninsula we'll talk peace. Not before.

LIECHTENSTEIN: A local reporter who crossed the border to interview the commanding officer of the Austrian army in Tyrolia informed the public that when asked what the purpose of deploying in this area was, the CO replied, "Defense? Ha! We're here to fight the enemy!" Our newsman then asked who the enemy was, Germany or Italy, and his answer was "Why, both of them, of course!"

LON-BER: Glad your counterespionage people found the wild ass hoofprints. Watch carefully for other wild-assed tricks. Hope he'll end his wild-assed tendencies and listen to reason.

THE PUZZLER

Evidently, LSD readers are not all that interested in trivia, or else last month's questions stumped everyone. Here are the answers:

1. Oscar Wilde said it in the introduction to The Picture of Dorian Gray.
2. James McNeill Whistler; the more common title is "Whistler's Mother".
3. Ellery Queen.
4. The boat was named Fanny, the craft was a union baloon and it was piloted by John LaMountain.

Finally we have the answer to the Dollar Distribution Problems which appeared way back in LSD#11. Steve Langley, John Koehler, and James Williams each got it right. Here's what Jim had to say:

I found the Puzzler from Ted Fuß easy enough to join the fun this time. The \$44 in 9 pockets goes like this: 0 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9

As for the \$35...hmmm.... Let me see. 35 is divisible by only 5 and 7. So I'll put \$5 in one pock-

et and 7 in another. Now, I have \$12 in 2 pockets. 12 divided by 2 is 6, so I put \$6 in another pocket. That leaves me with \$17, which is divisible only by itself and one, so I'll put \$1 in another pocket.

Let's see now. I've used 4 pockets and I have \$16 left. 4 goes into 16 four times, so I'll put \$4 in another pocket. I now have \$12 left and 4 pockets to put it in. 12 divided by 4 is three, so I put \$3 in another pocket.

I've got my watch in one pocket, so I can't put any money in there. I only have two pockets left to use, and I have \$9.

I notice something unusual about one of the dollars, and as I examine it closer I absent-mindedly put the other eight into yet another pocket.

After a brief inspection of the remaining dollar I put it into the last empty pocket, knowing that since it is a Canadian dollar it is worth .8439 US dollars on this day (or about 84¢). I now have 35 dollars in 9 pockets each with a different amount of money.

Once again the breakdown is:

0 - 1 - 1 (Can.) - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8

As Mr. Spock would say "...it's simply logical."



1981 CE Independence F 1902

THREE-POWER BATTLE FOR BRITAIN;
NEW TURK STABS A-H, POPE NABS MAR

AUSTRIA (Len Blasiol): A VIE s German A Tyo,
F TRI-Ven, A GAL s Turkish A Rum-Ukr,
A GRE h.
ENGLAND (Joe Gallagher): F SKA-Nth, F ENG-Bre,
F Iri-LPL, A WAL s F Iri-Lpl.
FRANCE (Jim Meinel): F Lpl h [ds], ret to Nat, Cly,
or dsb], F MID-Bre, A BEL-Edi [flight not yet
invented], A SPA h.
GERMANY (Don Scheffler): A Hol-EDI, F NTH c
A Hol-Edi, F Hel-DEN, A KIE s F Hel-Den,
A TYO h.
ITALY (Doug Tatsch): F ION-Gre, F Apu-ADR,
A Pie-MAR, A VEN prays [h].
RUSSIA (Jeff Albrecht): F SWE-Den, A War-SIL,
A Liv-WAR, A MOS s A Liv-War, F SEV h.
TURKEY (Mike Blanchard): F BLA-Sev, A Ank-ARM,
F Con-AEG, A Rum-UKR, A Bul-SER.

SUPPLY CENTER STATUS for winter adjustments:

A: Home, Ser, GRE	4/even
E: Lon, Edi, LPL, Nwy	3/remove 1
F: Par, Bre, Mar, Por, SPA, BEL,	5/build 1
G: Home, Den, Hol, EDI	6/build 1
I: Home, Tun, MAR	5/build 1
R: Home, Swe	5/even
T: Home, Bul, Rum, SER	6/build 1

+ Adjustments may be conditioned on the French retreat, and spring orders may be conditioned on the winter adjustments. Spring may be postponed by the request of two players. Otherwise retreats, adjustments, and spring orders are due by next deadline.

+ PRESS—

ROM-SWITZ: I BEG you pardon! Mom & Pop were legally married before I was born & I have papers to prove it. Illiterate, indeed!

ROM-GENEVA: Don'ta look ata me! I'ma workin' ona bigga piece o' Juicy Fruit asa I right...er, wright...uh, write this.

MUN-EUROPE: My apologies to all for this season's lack of communication. An unexpected trip to Kansas City prevented me from writing more.

LSD-MUN: I've been there, too. It can be a paralyzing experience.

VIENNA: Informed sources have learned that the Kaiser forwarded a caravan of merchandise from Frederick's of Hollywood to Istanbul in a bid to bribe the Sultanness into regaining the reins of power. Failing in this effort, His Excellency's Government have extended to the Sultan the sincere desire for continued Austro-Turk friendship and cooperation.

ENGLAND-F/G JUGGERNAUT: Uncle.

ENGLAND-ITALY: Why is it that your only ally's ally is now in Tyrolia. It would seem to me that if you haven't figured out who is next on their list then you will get what is coming to you.

BRITISH POSTAL SERVICE-KAISER: Sir, we have a note here from the King stating that he felt that all his letters to you were a waste of postage after all, for all the good it did him. Would you be so kind as to remit £1, 4p at the earliest convenience.

LSD-JOE: Yes I have a pound symbol, but I'm not sure how to write pounds and pence.

ENGLAND-TURKEY: Some source of moral support you turn out to be.

ENGLAND-RUSSIA: You know it is really hard to know who to believe anymore. Take the German, for instance. In fact, take him for a long walk on a short pier.

NIRVANA: The time has come for French words to be matched by deeds. Enough talk--let's see some action!

Maskerade

Von Otto Apollon



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