

Magus

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Coming to you from east of Lake MacDonald, coming to you from the dark side of the Autumnal Equinox, coming to you from three days past the deadline, coming to you from a brand new address, it's, it's MAGUS...that zine that isn't quite what it used to be (but then who amongst us is?).

In order to clarify the question as to whether MAGUS is a zine or a subzine...actually, the question is already quite clear. It is the answer to the question which needs clarification. What was the answer? I don't think I've heard it yet. Maybe we can figure it out. MAGUS once was a zine and it even had some subzines. Now, one of those subzines, one Fiat Bellum, has become a zine with subzines of its own. On occasion, FB contains MAGUS, but not as a subzine, since MAGUS is published independently, and mailed to its own subscription list in its entirety. Except that there really isn't a subscription list, since there is no way to subscribe to MAGUS. You either

get it or you don't, out of the goodness of my heart. Unless you are the Tattletale, in which case you buy it from one of the non-subbers so that you will know what it is that might have been said that annoys you. Of course if you didn't buy it, you wouldn't be annoyed, but who would expect such intelligence from a Tattletale? Certainly not me.

I think I managed to digress. It's easy to digress, all you have to do is just let your mind wander at about typing speed. So, is MAGUS a zine, or is it a subzine? This month, MAGUS has a subzine. So, for this month at least, it must be a zine. Unless a subzine can have a subzine. But wouldn't that require that the subzine contained be a subsubzine? Possibly not. At any rate, I hope I've clarified the answer for you more than I have clarified it for me.

Speaking (or in this case, writing and reading) of the MAGUS subzine, John Caruso foisted off a Foot in Mouth on me. It is full of Non Hobby stuff that he is trying to bring into a totally hobby question. Typical. Oh, and I was forced to edit it slightly to bring it up to MAGUS standards. Other than that, its up to John's usual boring level.

We moved, are moving, are no where near being all moved, but we do have a new address, and a house to go with it. It is in a little town called Maple Hills which is the name the developer put on this portion of a bigger town called Renton. The post office insists that we are in Renton, and you all know better than to cross the Post Office. Notice how the caps make them a bit more ominous?

Anyway, we have four bedrooms and three kids these days. Since Daf and I are still enough in love to like sleeping together, it works out. We also have two cats and two new puppies. Currently, we are trying to housebreak both puppies, one of the cats, and one of the kids. I have already done some handyman type stuff, replacing the door knob and lock assembly I broke, trying to show Daf that it was sturdier than it looked. It wasn't.



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This is FIM, the #1 roving subzine in the world, and Magus's favorite roving subzine in the world. I should really thank Magus for sending around that mass mailing about FIM. Because of it, I've been flooded with request after request, some from people I've never had contact with. And all of them want the same thing- a FIM for their zine. Most of them want me to send a FIM that blasts Magus mercilessly. I can't do that of course. But a little rib poking is in order.

This issue of FIM is appearing in Magus. What is a Magus? Beats me! Maybe Steve Langley, the pubber of Magus can tell us. He tells what everything else means. The only thing he can't tell us is if Magus is a subzine to Fiat Bellyup or if Fiat Bellyup is the subzine to Magus. It doesn't much matter. No one outside of Wichita reads either anyway.

Speaking of Wichita, do you all realize that Simon and I won the prestigious DON MILLER AWARD? How do I know the award is prestigious? Fred Davis told me it is. Looks like I've finally joined the ranks of the GOLDEN AGERS.

What I'd really like to win is the ROD WALKER LITERARY AWARD next year. I think a single, non-controversial issue of FIM nominated should do the trick. I'm going to ask a couple of people to nominate Vol.II #14 of FIM, which will appear in Ohio Acres soon. I want to be among the rich and famous but without the jewels and notoriety that accompanies it.

I have a beef to pick with Julie Martin. Where does she come off thinking that she is the TOTAL ASS? And the TOTAL TITS? No way! Linda Carter has the TOTAL ASS (and Jane Fonda is a total ass, but that's besides the point). Dolly Parton is the TOTAL TITS! How could anyone think differently? Who'd be so smug as to believe they are the best. Now don't get me wrong, Julie's assets put her in good company. But I think her claiming to be the TOTAL TITS, is a bit out of line.

But it does bring up a good point. If she isn't the TOTAL ASS, then Magus also can't be the TOTAL ASS, alleged or admitted. Since he is so full of BS, maybe we should call him the TOTAL ASS HOLE! (Alleged, of course.)

Did you hear that Magus moved back to Albany. Bet you'll never guess why? I couldn't imagine in my wildest dreams, could you? Strange isn't it. George Bush is married to his mother, Magus allegedly runs back home to LIVE with his mommy.

I'll bet none of you knew Kathy and I might be moving soon. Yep- we are planning to get jobs and move up to Albany. We hear its beautiful up there with the exception of 1 sociopathic nuisance. But we won't let that deter us. We have ~~plenty~~ people to meet when we get there.

I didn't want to make this too long, and I suppose I haven't. Let me end this issue here. And remember, if you want a FIM, you can have 1 for your zine for the asking. Name your topic or leave it to me. I'd be more than happy to send you 1 and follow your topic or format. Take care and have fun

This is the list of those who are getting MAGUS. To be on this list, you have to play, standby, or have some other quality that makes me want to send this to you. What that quality might be, I leave to your imagination.

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!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Don Williams has a new address !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
 Glenn E. L. Petroski has corrections

This is the place you should look if you want to find out if there are any changes of address in the above. Oh, by the way, if you want me to change your address, tell me so, don't rely on my digging it out of other zines as I have often done in the past. I find that I am not reading zines all that much anymore.

Standby list: Mark Keller, Dick Martin, Melinda Ann Holley, Jim Burgess, Tom Hurst, Bill Quinn, Don Williams, Mike Pustilnik, Larry Botimer, Andy Lischett, Richard Hurley, Rick Kohman, and Glenn E. L. Petroski.

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ZAT for the games will be October 28, 1988. That puts us a bit behind my preferred schedule, so we will do with four week deadlines until we get back on track. Before you panic, remember that it is only every third month that we are not on a four week deadline.

1986 A Slowtime Summer and Fall 1910

The various proposals failed to pass.

ENG (Tom Hurst 8) F Gas R BRE; F BRE S F MID, A WAL H, F Hel-NTH,
F MID S F BRE(cut), F IRI S F MID, F Nth-LON, F NAT S F MID,
F ENG S F BRE
FRA (Bill Quinn 3) A Mar-SPA, A Gas-PAR, F POR S A Mar-SPA
GER (Melinda Holley 1) A Kie R OTB
ITA (Larry Botimer 2) A Rom S F Nap(fails,dislodged),
F NAP S A Rom(cut)
RUS (Don Williams 12) F Spa(sc) S TUR F WES-Mid(nso, dislodged),
A BER S A KIE, A Stp-NWY, F BAR S A Stp-NWY, A SWE S F Bal-DEN,
A Bel-HOL, A RUM H, F Bal-DEN, A Tya-MUN, A VEN S TUR A Tus-ROM,
A RUH S A Bel-HOL, A KIE S F Bal-DEN
TUR (Flash Fassio 8) F AEG C A SMY-Nap, A SMY-Nap(fails), A GRE H,
A TRI H, F ION C A SMY-Nap, F WES S F NAF-Mid, F NAF-Mid(fails),
A Tus-ROM

1986 A Slowtime Winter 1910 Supply Center Chart

ENG	Home Nwy(lost) Bel Bre Hol(lost) Den(lost)	-3; removes 3
FRA	Por Mar Spa PAR	+1; builds 1
GER	Kie(lost)	-1; out
ITA	Rom(lost) Nap	-1; removes 1
RUS	Mos Stp War Rum Bud Vie Swe Ber Gre(lost) Tri(lost)	+2; builds 2
	Mun Par(lost) KIE NWY DEN HOL VEN	
TUR	Ank Con Smy Sev Bul Ven(lost) Ser Tun GRE TRI ROM	+2; builds 2

RUSSIA to ENGLAND & OTHER INTERESTED GREAT POWERS: After the long, hard struggle, I am morally and ethically compelled to stand by the Ottoman. Though the English strategy of denying Turkey any form of recognition for his play in this game by making a Russian victory possible is somewhat appealing, I will say now that I am working for a two-way draw with Flash and will eschew the promised solo.

GM to RUSSIA: How utterly unilateral of you!

RUSSIA to EOIGP, Part II: Unless the little curr crosses me.

RUSSIA to GM: Sure she meant to capitalize it.

RUSSIA to GMS: (Wink, wink) Right?

MOSCOW to ANKARA: I was wrong, they were right - you are obnoxious.

MUSHBRAIN to THAT CARUSO CREATURE: Good thing I didn't let you take over then, huh?

GM to MUSHBRAIN: I figured you would send in moves rather than let Kathy have another super power position.

RUSSIAN F SPA(sc) to GAME: So, that's what the Mid-Atlantic looks like.

DON CORLEONE to MISSED KITTY: What size concrete shoes did youse need?

RUSSIA to FRANCE: Congrats on your return to Paris. Don't worry about all les infantes...we'll grant them dual citizenship as we agreed.

BOARD to LARRY: You are welcome, but would you care to expand on just exactly what it was that you did learn?

RUSSIA to ITALY: Don't look now, but Rome is in definite jeopardy...Imagine, all those fine Roman furnishings being carted off to Allah knows where, only to be replaced by prayer rugs and ottomans.

A RUM to TURKEY: So, what would you do if you were me?

RUSSIA to F/T: So, did F SPA(sc) get the call or what?

RUSSIA to GAME: C'mon, ladies and gentlemen, let's put this one to rest. If the R/T is approved, everyone but the war mongering Austrians will save a little face. We'll leave Germany, France, and Italy, and brave England will remain unvanquished. Such a deal. (And Steve will be happy too.)

SPAIN: French troops chanted, "Remember Trieste" as they expelled the Russians.

FAZWHAN to BOWHINE: Larry, are you still here, alive and well? After your sudden departure from TERRAN, I was worried you maybe left this one, too. Hang on here, my friend...it's nothin' personal, and you'll survive this one longer than the Englisher, if there's a way it can be worked.

SULTAN to IN'SULTIN: So, a saccharine simp, eh?! Well, loco Limey, en garde! Keep your fudgepacking fleets facing my formidable flotilla and fie on your foppish flusterings! The finale of your foolishness follows close at hand, and foo on you. (Out of "f"'s except for the "f" word, and this IS a family zine...). Beward, Gnome-breath, because as Led Zeppelin says, "your time is gonna come."

FLASH to DUCK: Big Don, the Roaring Silence is upon us again. I hope the move (real-life) went OK, and that you'll soon be operational again.

I certainly don't need a repeat of the 1909 fiasco with the "Disappearing Don" act. Here's to continued success, and crush the Honey-pie Hun and the Imitation Wellington (beefhead wellington).

GM to FAZ: I almost disappeared. The power supply for the computer disappeared first. It wasn't until Tuesday that it came to light.

CAP'N FAZ to MISS KITTY: Au revoir, mon cherie. Ze game, she was toot-sweet, but it's time to pack ze bags and say, "See ya". PS Onward to glory in SOLDIERS!

FAZ to QUILL: Bill-ski, congrats on the Grand Advance. The Reconquista has begun, and we cheer on your valiant forces. Next stop: Brest, followed by a new fleet, and then...the utter demise of the British fleet defense...Imploded from within. Ah, pbm Dip, sweet elixir of life!

LARRY to KATIE: Yeah, I did play a piss poor game here as Fazwhan will happily confirm.

ITALY to TURKEY: Okay, so you played brilliantly and were not at all obnoxious in the press.

ITALY to RUSSIA: So you're not the dog being wagged by the tail, huh?

ITALY to ENGLAND: Since R/T are not letting Quinn in on the draw in spite of his contributions towards their victory I rather do think you ought to vote the draw next time to get this over.

ITALY to FRANCE: I hear your going to retake Paris. Viva la France!

LARRY to SWEETS: Well, I'm down to one center now, are you still with us? Let's both join Swiss hockey clubs.

1982 CH The Aliens' Game Fall 1928

Thanks to Glenn E. L. Petroski for unused standby orders. You know, this game has been around Dipdom for nearly as long as I have. It's time for both of us to move on to better things. Once again, the AEIR draw has been defeated and repropesed.

AUS (Steve Dorneman 3) A Gal S ITA A SIL(otm, dislodged), A SER H, A Ukr S RUS A WAR(cut, dislodged)

ENG (Jeff Martin 17) A Pic-BEL, A RUH S A Kie-MUN, A Mun-SIL, A Kie-MUN, A Den-KIE, F ENG H, F NTH H, A PRU S A Mun-SIL, A BER S A Mun-SIL, F BAL H, F SWE H, A BUR S A KIE-Mun, A MAR H, F NAF S F WES, F SPA(sc) S A MAR, F MID S F WES, F WES H

ITA (Jim Burgess 10) A Sil-GAL, A Boh-VIE, F Con-AEG, F Bul-RUM, F TUN S F TYH, F TYH S F GOL, F ION S F TUN, F GOL S F PIE-Mar, F PIE-Mar(fails), A Tya-TRI

RUS (Andy Lischett 4) A WAR S ITA A Sil-GAL, A MOS S A Sev-UKR, A Sev-UKR

1982 CH The Aliens' Game Winter 1928 Supply Center Chart

AUS	Bud Rum(lost) Ser	-1; removes 1
ENG	Edi Lon Lpl Den Bel Swe Kie Bre Nwy Hol Par Ber	+0; even
	Stp Spa Mar Mun Por	
ITA	Nap Rom Tun Con Gre Smy Ven Bul Tri Vie RUM	+1; builds 1
RUS	Ank Sev War Mos	+0; builds 1

1982 CH The Aliens' Game Press:

AUSTRIA to BOARD: I again voted Yes on the draw - what's the hold up?
 GM to AUSTRIA: England NMR'd last time, and so automatically voted yes on the draw.
 AUSTRIA to ENGLAND: Note the Shampoo orders. (Lather, rinse, repeat. Lather, rinse, repeat.) Time to vote yes on the draw - although we do have an outside shot at making Guinness for the Longest Postal Dip Game...
 ROME to SULTAN (IN EXILE): Don't you have anything to say to me?
 ITALY to AUSTRIA: I'm really sorry to hear about your fire. I wish you luck in getting things back together!
 BOOB to GM & GMS: I hope your move goes more smoothly than Steve Dorneman's.
 ITALY to STANDBY ENGLAND: See what I meant? If you get the position, would you like to help wrap up a three-way draw?
 ITALY to OLD ENGLAND: You, of course, will drive for a win again. You'll be stopped.
 ITALY to AUSTRIA: I am sorry, but you're welcome to give it your best shot.

1987 HX Slimy Dogs Spring 1904

AUS	(Gary Behnen 7)	A TYA S A Sil-MUN, A Tri-VEN, A Vie-BOH, A Ven-PIE, A GAL S A Vie-BOH, A Sil-MUN, F ROM S TUR F Nap-TYH
ENG	(Mike Pustilnik 6)	F Edi-NTH, A Lpl-YOR, A STP H, A SWE H, F SKA S F Edi-NTH, F BAR H
FRA	(Richard Hurley 6)	F WES S F GOL-Tyh, F GOL-Tyh(fails), A Bur-BEL, A Mar-BUR, A Bel-HOL, F Spa(sc)-MID
GER	(Mark Weseman 4)	A Ber-PRU, A Boh-Mun(fails, dislodged), A Mun-BER, A Ruh-KIE
ITA	(Steve Emmert 1)	A TUN H
RUS	(Larry Botimer 1)	F DEN-Swe(fails)
TUR	(Kathy Caruso 9)	F Smy-EAS, A Ank-ARM, F ION S F Nap-TYH, A MOS H, A Rum-UKR, A War-SIL, F Con-AEG, F Nap-TYH

1987 HX Press:

AUS - TUR: Wow, what a conversation! OK, let's put F/G to sleep.
 FRANCE to ENGLAND: Avast there, Russian pirates spotted. Sink them before they reach your fair shores.
 FRANCE to E/G: It's time to settle our differences and get down to some serious trench warfare.
 NEW FRANCE to GERM: I'm looking Oh yes, 124 Burleigh Drive, Ithaca, NY. How do you like living there?
 COCHISE to RIN TIN: For you, this game is a lost cause.
 GM to COCHISE: At least he's in the game.
 AUS - ENG: Welcome aboard, you are right about the West.
 REDMAN to A/T: Be prepared to meet thy Maker! I've been doing some Thunder Boomer dances just for you Kathy. Be nice or I'll be more careful with my aim.
 FRANCE to TURKEY: I am not a Giants fan. Go see your optometrist.

AUSTRIA to SB FRANCE: Oh no, not you!
AUSTRIA to FRANCE (who was?): Bad time to make an exit.
AUSTRIA to RUSSIA: I trust we had a blast at Pudgecon, but as I said, can't blame me for Kathy's stab!
KK to GREEDY: You are the reason I have to stab everyone. I need lots of yellow blocks just to keep you from grabbing my dots!
AUSTRIA to TURKEY: Was Pudgecon a good time?! I don't want to hear anything more about the Mets! By the way, Greece is mine and it better stay that way.
TURKISH TERROR to MANGY MUTT: You have to be the most stabable person I know. You just make it too easy for me!
TURKEY to AUSTRIA: The Cards make you distraught, well they make me upchuck!
TURKEY to GERMANY: Don't bother becoming friendly with Italy - otherwise you'll have to drag out your Sunday best and attend his funeral!
MAD MADAM to BO(T): You'll never resurface, as my friend from Brooklyn and I intend to put cement shoes on you before throwing you into the East River.
AUS - GER: I never promised you a rose garden...
TURKEY to GERMANY: The Pittsville Pirates play like a bunch of old ladies!
KK to RIN TIN: The Mariners and Padres - no wonder you don't have any friends, no one's taste can be that bad!
TURKEY to ENGLAND: I knew a guy from Brooklyn couldn't be all bad. Now please finish Rin Tin off as I have bigger fish to catch!
TURKEY to FRANCE: It's nice to see you shut your mouth for a change!
LARRY to KK: Okay, so you were keeping the Russian outa Moscow, what's your excuse about Warsaw?
LARRY to GREEDY: At least you and Katie write so I might as well die at the hands of A/T.
LARRY to A/T: All right you two, I don't want any crap about how I never help you?
LARRY to DELLA: Well. Are you going to root for the Raiders or Seahawks? It is important to know before you go to the Kingdome. Quite an experience when the crowd gets going.
RUSSIA to GERMANY: Well, Katie scuttled my grand counter attack, but the thought was there.
RUSSIA to E/F: I wish I could get this fleet loose, but dreams (sigh!) of Russian Naval supremacy are as far from reality as Fassio's press.
GM to GAME: Please excuse the rerun of earlier press. Daf and I got confused. Actually, I was born confused.
PARIS to BERLIN: I'm sorry. I really meant to follow through as I had told you, but that Austrian is a silver-tongued devil. Look at it this way, we're just trying to make sure you have a lot of time to devote to your studies.
TURKEY to AUSTRIA: Please pay careful attention to the fall of the Cards - one false move and Austria will make the Cards descent look like slow motion. I'm sure you catch my drift.
TURKEY to ENGLAND: I may have been born in Brooklyn, but that doesn't make me dumb - your builds were very discouraging. All I can say is you better have a good line of shit, or all bets are off!
TURKEY to GERMANY: Sure you don't want to be a Mets fan? I really get off on helping Met fans! I'm ever better than Mighty Mouse trying to save the day!
AUSTRIA to FRANCE: How do you find such lilly-livered anti war saps to ally with?
KK to MOOSEMAN: Hey, it was painless, we could've dragged you through the same torture of a slow death that we inflicted on Rin Tin.
GM to KK: Rightttttt!

The draw proposals failed to pass. F/G/R is proposed.

AUS (Kathy Caruso 4) A VIE S TUR A RUM-Gal, A Ven-ROM,
 A TRI-Ven(fails)
 FRA (Rick Kohman 7) F TYH S GER A TUS-Rom(cut), A GAS H,
 F TUN S F TYH, F GOL C A Naf-PIE, F MAR S A Naf-PIE, A Naf-PIE,
 F WES C A Naf-PIE
 GER (Bob Slossar 8) A Den-KIE, F Nth-HEL, F BAL C RUS A Swe-LVN,
 F NAT H, A BOH S RUS A GAL, A SIL S RUS A GAL, A TUS-Rom(fails),
 A TYA-Ven(fails)
 ITA (Mark Keller 1) F Rom H(poof)
 RUS (Richard Hurley 5) A MOS S A UKR, A UKR S A GAL, A NWY H,
 A GAL S A UKR(cut), A Swe-LVN
 TUR Larry Botimer 9) F NAP S AUS A Ven-ROM, F ION-Tyh(fails),
 A ARM-Sev(fails), A RUM-Gal(fails), A SER-Tri(fails),
 A SEV-Rum(fails), F BLA S A ARM-Sev, A BUD S AUS A VIE,
 F SMY-Ion(fails), F Con-AEG

1987AL Euro-style press:

ST PETE to WORLD: The midget is now nine months old. In honor of the occasion, I have just hung a set of tiny blocks from a string across her crib. Little squares and rectangles. In seven colors. "No, dear," I say to her when she reaches for the red ones, "No, no, no! Only insanely greedy people play that position. People with hearts of case-hardened steel and teeth like a carbide blade."

"Rogsnshng...mrshninkga!" she replies. Which means (loosely translated): "Yeah, Dad. The scum of the earth. Depraved vermin. Crush them for God, Country, and Western Civilization."

RIKKO to DUCK: You worthless, amorphous glob of necrophiliac spit-slag! I had a feeling that my 'lost F-Spa order' was all your fault! And since Steve indicated so; it must be true! Thank Ghod for worthwhile GM's like Steve, who correct the effects of your over-achieving Cooties!

RIKKO to STEVE: I think you've lost on the exchange...are you now willing to take the flack for every time Don screws up?

RIKKO to DAF: You'll come around soon, luv. Dump BOTH of these well-intentioned, but misguided misanthropes and run away with me to Barsoom!

RIKKO to K-K-K-KATIE: No kidding? A REAL Cabbage Patch Doll with adoption papers and everything? How can I possibly resist an offer like that?

FRANCE to WHATEVER SELF-DESTRUCTIVE MUTE CONTROLS ITALY THESE DAYS: You KNOW why...(ARGUE with me! I'd love to hear SOMETHING out of Rome...)
 (A death gasp would do nicely...)

GM to FRANCE: I like to keep a sort of continuity of style when I pick a standby.

BO(T)IMER: Just an odd question here. Why did you tell me to "Chill out" and make no comment on any of Fassio's more strident remarks? If you wish to take the fifth (or drink it) that's fine, I just wondered. Don made a remark about it when I talked to him on the phone.

GM to BO(T): The phrase just occurred to me. It wasn't meant to be taken seriously. I don't even remember why it occurred to me.

AUSTRIA to GM: Forget your memory lapse, what I want to know is how can you call Bill Quinn to standby in a European Style Game when you know he despises them and considers them irregular!?

GM to AUSTRIA: It was a joke? Would you believe I forgot what kind game was involved when I made the call? Would you believe I expected the original player to return? Take your pick, they could all be it.

AUSTRIA to BOARD: I'm sure my moves will show you that I am totally under Bo(t)imer's spell. His wish is my command.

GM to AUSTRIA: So, why weren't you rubbing his back at Wichita?
KK to RIN TIN: Can you imagine that, a master taking orders from her flea bitten hound - my how times have changed. I think I liked it better when I got to kick you around.
AUSTRIA to HURLEY: How can you fight the USPS - you never seem to know who the real enemy is (i.e. F/G fool!)

1987 CV New Kids Fall 1905

There is an E/R/F/A draw proposed, and there is a proposal that the vote count be published. NVR will be a yes on this latter.

AUS (Russ Rusnak 11) A GAL-War(fails), A BUD-Gal(fails), A Tya-VEN, A UKR-Sev(fails), A Sil-BER, A BUL-Con(fails), F AEG-Con(fails), A Vie-BOH, A RUM S A UKR-Sev, F TYH-Ion(fails), F ION-Eas(fails)
ENG (Don Williams 5) F Nth R NWG; F Nwg-NWY, A DEN S F Nwg-NWY(imp), F Kie-Hol(fails,dislodged), F WAL-Eng(fails), F IRI S F WAL-Eng
FRA (Steve Emmert 8) F MID S F BEL-Eng, A BUR S A MUN, A Mar-SPA, A MUN S AUS A Sil-BER, A Ruh-KIE, A HOL S A Ruh-KIE, F Nth-EDI, F BEL-Eng(fails)
ITA (Bob Slossar 1) F Smy R EAS; F EAS-Smy(fails)
RUS (Ron Cameron 7) A MOS S A SEV, A SEV S A MOS(cut), F BAL-Den(fails), A Ber-Sil(fails,dislodged), F BLA-Ank(fails), A WAR S A Ber-Sil(cut), A LVN S A WAR
TUR (Mark Weseman 2) F ANK-Con(fails), A SMY S F ANK-CON(cut)

1987 CV New Kids Winter 1905 Supply Center Chart

AUS	Bud Tri Vie Ser Bul Gre Ven Rom Tun Rum Nap BER	+1; builds 1
ENG	Edi(lost) Lon Lpl Den Kie(lost) NWY	-1; removes 1
FRA	Bre Mar Par Por Spa Bel Mun Hol EDI KIE	+2; builds 2
ITA	Smy(lost)	-1; out
RUS	Mos Stp War Swe Sev Nwy(lost) Ber(lost)	-2; removes 2
TUR	Ank Con SMY	+1; builds 1

ENGLAND to FRANCE: Gee, you didn't have to take me seriously about that "best shot" thing.

LONDON to BUDAPEST: Do these moves look familiar? We're renaming Oslo, "Windsor Castle East". Any ideas on where to relocate the Parliament?

ENGLAND to DIEHARD TSAR: I'm with you - death before an A/F dishonored. We will not humble ourselves before the giddy Gauls' grab for the two-way. So long as the Union Jack waves from even one English warship, the A/F will not pass.

YORK to SAGE: Think the lawyer will get the message, or was I too subtle?

GM to YORK: I don't think you were too subtle. Don't ask me about convincing.

ROYAL NAVY to FRENCH F NORTH SEA: Now what are you going to do?

GM to ROYAL: Winter in Edinburgh?

STEVE(as in Emmert) to MARK: Yeah, glorious victory is always better than ignominious defeat, such as my effort in Slimy Dogs. What a disaster!

EMMERT to CAMERON: What odd letters you write.

GM to EMMERT: Does he use the cyrillic alphabet, or do you mean something like the letters ET uses?

FRENCH ADMIRAL to BRITISH ISLES: Surrender and prepare to be boarded. If you go peacefully, we'll allow you a summer villa - Clyde.

PARIS to ST PETE: Don't apologize. You're free to vote your conscience. All I want is to be rid of Williams, so we won't have to put up with his political speechifying.

RUSSIA to GM: Can Russia propose that results to draw proposals be revealed? i.e. 4 1/2 yes 1/2 no or 3 yes 2 no?

GM to RUSSIA: I don't see how the former could occur.

RUSSIA to AUSTRIA: Now that my anger has subsided and TUR appears to be a mindless puppet, I'll vote the win to you. Good game, Russ.

RUSSIA to FRANCE: If draw results are revealed, won't you be the only no vote to an Austrian concession?

RUSSIA to TURKEY: I have nothing to say to you that everyone else in this game doesn't already think or know.

RUSSIA to ENGLAND: Isn't Lancaster a step down from beautiful Redlands?

Well now, we are done for another few weeks, except for the printing and the writing of addresses, not to mention mailing the things. Still, considering that when ZAT came I didn't even know if I was going to be able to find the computer, not to mention all of the moves. I had most of them in my briefcase, safe at work, but of course, the mail kept on coming, and one of you even took the game chance of calling in moves right in the middle of the move. Luckily, the envelope that Daf jotted them down on fell in a place that later caught my eye as I was cleaning up the apartment.

The cats seem to have recovered their house training. The puppies are still to early to call, and the kid is hopeless.

Honest, Larry, I had nothing in mind when I told you to Chill Out, so why don't you just chill out about it, okay? And never ever take anything Don has to say to heart. When he isn't kidding, he's probably misread the situation. Why else do you think Daf keeps him on as one of her golden toadies? She feels sorry for him, of course.

Were any of you aware that there is a Bob Williams running for the Senate from this state. Daf thought that he would make a great compromise candidate for president, all of the liberal wimpishness of Williams combined with all of the wishy-washy middle of the roadness of Bob. Remember, you read it here.

Don't forget, DAFCON whatever it is will be happening. We ought to be able to get at least enough Titan players together to hold a game or two. If you want to help us fill up the rest of the weekend, come on up and welcome in the New Year at Dafcon.