

DANIEL BRANNAN AND CO QUITTS, EUROPE QUIET

Marsovia (MPC) News filtering into this tiny European capital indicates that the unexpected closing of Daniel Brannan and Co. of Los Angeles has set up shock waves that have temporarily restored peace to Europe. Brannan and Co. had successfully bid on the armaments contracts for all major European nations. The unexpected collapse of the company has disrupted supply lines and forced a truce on all fronts for lack of supplies. The presence of a large backlog of orders for material indicates the hiatus will be temporary, awaiting on a new source of supply to once again engulf Europe in blood.

Sacramento, USA (MPC) John W. Roberts and Co. of Sacramento today disclosed they had successfully completed negotiations to take over the assets and contracts of the closed Daniel Brannan and Co. of Los Angeles. Informed sources indicate the key to the acquisition was the assurance of noted financier Mark Hanna that the government would sell the Benicia Arsenal and Mare Island "Ketchikan Naval Shipyard" to the company on a long term note. Roberts announced that the supplies would be available on a cash and carry basis in about two weeks. Early reports indicate that all nations except Turkey have already completed renegotiation of their contract with Roberts and Co. The sound American business practice of selling to all sides insures that the war will continue to the benefit of the American treasury for as long as the foreign reserves of the concerned powers hold out.

The sentiment thus far seems to favor continuing play of KX at regular speed. Unless one or more players objects with the winter 02 moves the change will be made and moves will be due three days prior to the publication dates of this magazine (1st and 15th of each month) As the confusion makes it unclear whether or not Jerry Pournelle was accepted as a replacement player the same format will be followed. If no player objects his moves will be accepted starting with the next issue. If there is any objection it will be so noted and the country will fall in to civil disobedience. I am sure none of you want this.

As I am involved in a number of other games with many of you players I would ask that correspondence relating to these games if mailed in the same envelope as moves and releases for KM or KX be clearly so marked. Placing the game designation at the top of the correspondence will be a great help. As players in KM did not receive the letter I sent to KX players they are advised that Brannan has been forced to stop publication and these two games have been given to me to publish. Moves should be sent (Fall 04 for KM) to Robert Ward, 2704 S Street Sacramento. The next moves are due Sept. 10th. See the backside of this sheet for other changes. Note these are RECEIPT deadlines.

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RULES CHANGES

Your kindly old editor, between meetings of various nefarious groups dedicated to the violent overthrow of the enemies of Diplomacy, desires to make some vague statements of policy and rules changes for this magazine. All potential players are advised to note carefully these changes and observations. As some disagreement may be expected the format for registering such is as follows. All discarding missives should be neatly typed on 8 1/2" white bond paper, doubled spaced, neatly addressed to the address on the reverse side and then deposited in the appropriate mail bin. Use of this formula will save me the trouble of disposing of them at this end.

1. Except as specifically noted below all the rules contained in Wild N Woolly will be followed except those suspended by Brannan.
2. All deadlines are RECEIPT DEADLINES. The deadlines shall be three days prior to the issue for which moves are due's publication date. Publication dates are indicated on the obverse side.
3. Replacement players for resigned players will be allowed unless disapproved in writing by one or more player. Failure to give approval will no longer veto a replacement. Note this applies to present games.
4. Rule 13 of Wild N Woolly shall be interpreted as Brannan does, that is for the purpose of cutting support a convoy shall be treated as if the attacking unit were the last float in the convoy.
5. A unit dislodged by an attacking force does not prevent a follow up force from entering the province from which the attack came (See Massif 5 & 6)
6. On matters relating to procedure not covered here the rules as outlined in Graustark #54 will be followed. However by interpretation of some may vary from other game masters. A decision of the game master is final and precedent setting for that game. Failure to follow a precedent will award the injured party one free game but will not result in the replay of those moves.
7. THE GAME MASTER IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ERRORS RESULTING IN UNDECIPHERABLE HANDWRITING OR OVER ABBREVIATION. IF IT CANT BE READ THE CLOSEST GUESS GOES.

MARSOVIA will be happy to print letters, questions, etc from non players. Editorial comment will be held to the minimum needed for my ego gratification. Players are warned I have a big ego. Opinions expressed in press releases do not necessarily represent those of the editor, publisher, sponsor, or any sane and rational person. Press releases will not be censored but players are reminded that this publication does have to go through the mail.