

THE MIXUMAXU GAZETTE  
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1973 FY VOLGA BOATMEN DO MORE THAN SING Winter 1903

In the last moves, Russian F Nwy-Nth should have been underlined  
AUSTRIA(Tatay):B A Tri:Also has F Gre, F Smy, A Bul,  
A Bud, A Boh  
ENGLAND(Trtek)Has F Lon, F Gly, F Den  
FRANCE(Horne):A Pic retreats to Bre. F Eng is removed. Has A Par, F  
Bre  
GERMANY(Hulland):No removal received. Dislodged. A Mun is annihilated.  
A Bel, A Pic, F Hol, F Edi  
ITALY(Kollmer):Builds A Venice, F Naples. Also has F Mid, F Por, F Wes,  
A Mun, A Mar, A Gas  
RUSSIA(Blume):Builds F St. P.(s.c.), A Mos, A War. Also has F Nwy, F Bal,  
A Swe, A Ber, A Sev, F Con, F Ank

Spring 1904 moves are due by noon, Friday, 3 May 1974. Will Stephen  
Tihor, 32 Washington Square West, N.Y.C., N.Y. 10011 please send in  
standby moves for Germany?

1973 ER HALF OF EUROPE BLACK AND BLUE Fall 1904

AUSTRIA(Tesser):F Eas-Aeg; A Gre-Bul; A Bud-Rum; A Ser S A Bud-Rum; owns  
Bud, Gre, Rum, Ser, Tri, Vie(6); may build two units.  
ENGLAND(Coy):A Nwy-St. P; F Bar S A Nwy-St. P; A Liv-War; F Nth Sea H; F  
Bre H; F Mid-Por: has Bre, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, St. P, Swe, War(8); may build 2  
FRANCE(Weinstein):NMR. No units either. Owns Por(1); no place to build.  
GERMANY(Ritter):F Den H; A Hol H; A Gas-Mar; A Bur S A Gas-Mar; A Tyr-Ven;  
A Mun-Tyr; A Sil-Gas; owns Bel, Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mar, Mun, Par, Ven(9); may  
build two units.  
ITALY(Pickard):A Spa-Por; F Wes-Nat; A Mar H; F Lyo-Spa(s.c.); F Tyr-Wes;  
Owns Nap, Rom, Spa, Tun(4); must remove one.  
RUSSIA(Lanham):A St. P-Mos; A Rum-Bul; F Bla-Ank; A Arm-S F Bla-Ank: Owns  
Ank, Mos, Sev(3); must remove one.  
TURKEY(Keller):F Ank-Arm; F Bul(e.c.)-Bla; A Con-Smy; F Aeg-Eas: Owns  
Bul, Con, Smy(3); must remove one.  
RETREATS: Italian A Mar R-Pis or be annihilated; Russian A Rum R-Ukr,  
Sev, or be annihilated; Turkish F Ank R-Con or be annihilated.

Winter 1904 builds are due by noon, Friday, 3 May 1974, and may  
be made conditional on retreats.

1973 HX TURKEY IN CIVIL WAR Fall 1902

AUSTRIA(Green):A Tyr-Mun; A Boh S A Tyr-Mun; A Vie-Tyr; A Ser H; A Bul-  
Con; F Aeg S A Bul-Con: has Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Ser, Tri, Vie(7); may B 1  
ENGLAND(Reif):A Nwy H; F Nrg S F Nwy; F Nth Sea S RUSSIAN F Swe-Dem:  
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1972 CQF

WELCOME

Autumn 1909

Greetings, those of you who have been liberated into my tender, typo-filled care. We will let Hal Naus continue here. Conrad's house rules are thrown out. Mine are fairly simple, standard-sized boxes and all. If you have any doubts, write and I'll let you have a copy. In the meantime, beware. If I have not received your moves by the day before the deadline, I will call you collect. If you do not want me to do this, let me know, preferably when you send in your moves. Oh, yes, we print press here.

1973 CQF (Anonymity)

Winter 1902

## FOUR TURKS AND SEVEN RUSSIANS...

Corrections: Austrian A Vie was annihilated. Turkish A Arm-Sev should have been underlined. I left out Italian A Tyr S A Beh-Vie. I used all of these in figuring out what happened, but neglected to transfer them to the sheet. Ah, well.

AUSTRIA: Remove F Gre. Has A Alb, A Ser.

ENGLAND: Has F Cly, F Ska and A Lon

FRANCE: Has F Wes, A Pie, F Eng, F Lyo, A Bel, A Bur.

GERMANY: Builds F Kie. Also has A Mun, A Ber, F Den, A Hel.

ITALY: Builds F Nap; also has A Tri; A Ven, A Vie, A Tyr, F Ien.

RUSSIA: Builds A War, A Mos. Also has F Nwy, F St.P(n.c.), A Sev, F Bla, A Bud, A Gal.

TURKEY: Builds F Cen. Also has A Arm, F Ank, A Bul.

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1973 HX (continued from p.1)

has Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy(4); may build one

FRANCE (Hollshwandner): F Spa(s.c.)H; A Gas S F Spa(sc); A Bel H; A Bur S A Bel; F Bre-Mid: owns Bel, Bre, Par, Por, Spa(5); no change

GERMANY (Rakowski): F Den-Swe; A Hol-Bel; A Ruh S A Mun; A Mun H: owns Ber, Kie, Hol, Mun(4); no change.

ITALY (Moore): F Tyr-Lyo; A Tus-Ven; A Pie-Mar; A Mar-Spa; F Wes S A Mar-Spa: owns Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Mar(5); no change.

RUSSIA (Lagerson): F Rum-Bla; A Sev-Arm; A Ukr-Sev; A War-Sil; A Liv-Pru; F Swe-Den: Owns Den, Mos, Rum, St.P, Sev, Swe, War(7); builds one unit, if he wishes.

TURKEY (Blume?): NMR: A Arm, F Bla all hold. A Con dislodged & annihilated: owns Ank, Smy. Even.

RETREATS: German F Den must retreat-Ska, Hel, Kie, Bal or be annihilated.

Potts is out as Turkey, but I don't know what happened to Blume. In confusion, I am asking Adam Gilinsky, River Road, Scarborough, N.Y. 10510.

Winter 1901 adjustments are due by noon, Friday, 3 May 1974. If Blume is going to play, he'd better send me notification. Re Builds may be made conditional on the German retreat.

1973 EN

Spring 1904

## BELEAGUERED AUSTRIAN GARRISONS WITHSTAND ATTACKS

AUSTRIA (Carroll): NMR: A Bud, A Vie, A Ser all hold

*Spoke w. H. John H. not (10/8/74))*

ENGLAND(Smith): A Hol-Kie; F Hel-Nth; F Nrg S F Hel-Nth; F Ska-Swe; F Den-Swe;  
 FRANCE(Reif): F Nat-Mid; F Mar-Lyo; F Wes-Tyr; A Mun S ENGLISH A Hol-Kie; A Ruh S ENGLISH A Hol-Kie; A Bur-Mar; A Bel S A Ruh  
 GERMANY(Heuer): A Kie S RUSSIAN F Swe-Den; F NTH SEA S FRENCH A Ruh-Hol  
 ITALY(Thomas): A Ven-Tyr; A Alb-Ser; F Adr S A Tri; F Gre S AALB-Ser (sic impossible); A Tri S A Alb-Ser; F Ion S F Gre  
 RUSSIA(Horton): A Nwy H; F Swe-Den; A Gal-Bud; A Rum S TURKISH A Bul-Ser; F Bla-Con; F Sev S A Rum; F Arm-H  
 TURKEY(Juergens): A Bul-Ser; F Con-Ank; F Smy S F Aeg; F Aeg H  
 Ray Heuer sent in conditional retreats. F Nth Sea retreats-Lon& A Kie retreats-Ber.

1972 CV

FRENCH ENCIRCLE BRITAIN: MOVE IN FOR KILL

Fall 1904

AUSTRIA(Hellshwandner): A Tyr-Mun; A Boh S A Tyr-Mun; A Bud-Tri; A Gal-Ukr; A Pru-War; F Gre visits the Parthenon(holds); A Sev goes for a swim in the Black Sea; A Rum S A Sev: owns Bud, Mun, Rum, Ser, Sev, Tri, War, Vie(8); stands pay (and pat too. I don't know about salary).  
 ENGLAND(Neiger): A Wal H; F Lon S A Wal; F Nth-Nwy; F Swe-Nwy; F Kie H; R Den S F Kie: owns Den, Edi, Kie, Liv, Lon, Nwy, Swe(7); may build one.  
 FRANCE(Blume): F NAT-Nrg; F Mid-NAT; F Eng-Iri; F Bre-Eng; A Bel S A Hol; A Hol S A Bel: Owns Bel, Bre, Hol, Mar, Par, Per, Spa(7); may build one.  
 GERMANY(Morgan): F Bal-Kie; A Mun S F Bal-Kie: Owns Ber: must remove one.  
 ITALY(Worthington): A Bul S F Aeg-Gre; F Aeg-Gre; F Smy-Con; A Ven H; F Tyr-Lyo; F Nap-Ion; owns Bul, Con, Gre, Nap, Rom, Smy, Tun, Ven(8); may build two.  
 RUSSIA(Rutledge): NMR: A St.P, A Mos hold. Owns Mos, St.P(2); stands pat.  
 TURKEY(Hendry): A Arm-Sev; F Ank-Bla: owns Ank; must remove one unit.  
 RETREATS: Austrian F Gre Retreats-Alb or is annihilated; German A Mun retreats-Ber, Sil, Ruh, Bur or is annihilated.

Winter 1904 moves are due by noon, 3 May 1974 and may be made conditional on the retreats.

Mike Worthington says that he has played in this game, in Armadillo, but that if he takes over Italy (as he has) there will be none of the other original players in the game. This, however, renders the game irregular. I don't care. If anyone does, speak now. And, Mike, could you send me a list of the original players?

A private buffoon is a light-hearted loon if you listen to popular rumor; From the morning to night he's so joyous and bright and he bubbles with wit and good humor. There are one or two rules that all family fools must observe if he loves his profession. Most important, he must read the Mixumaxu Gazette, a magazine of postal Diplomacy and whatnot, published by Robert Bryan Lipton of Box 360, Lafayette College, Easton, Pa. 18042. Subscriptions are 6/\$1 and back issues (1&2-13) are 25¢ or 5 for a buck.. We have openings in Anarchy (previously mentioned as "Feudal Diplomacy"), and a seven man-seven-game tourney. The former is \$5, the latter is \$15, with a standby fee of \$5, with a first place yielding \$15. If you want to join or standby in the tourney, let me know. I'll ask for money when it begins.

Also needed are standbys. If you are a standby, or want to standby for more games, let me know. I'm easily confused.

## LETTERS

((The Shadow knows whose comments are in double parentheses))

JOHN CARROLL(913-J West Aaron Drive, State College, Pa. 16801): Thanks for turning me on to DeCamp. I'm catching up on all the old paperbacks I've hoarded along the way... The Fallible Fiend seemed too much like "All right. What human foibles can Zdim comment on now for seven or eight pages?" ((That is DeCamp. His best works were written in the forties: Lest Darkness Fall, Wheel of If, Incomplete Enchanter, Undesired Princess, etc.))

CONRAD VON METZKE((Box 4, San Diego, Ca. 92112; 3-14-74)): I was hoping to start with Abyssinia but they're on strike, so Sudan-ly, last summer,

...In 'Penzance' what one statement by the Major General is factually and demonstrably false? Unverified announcements for which we have only the character's word don't count, e.g. the statement that he is an orphan. I ripped this question off of Walker and thought you might like to show your ignorance by getting it wrong. ("Now, Frederick, let your escort lion-hearted..." or "Take my daughters, all of whom are beauties" (Kate is usually ugly). But beauty is in the eye of the beholder. And if you're holding her close enough, you can't see.))

PAUL THOMAS((You can look up his address in the last issue)): Many thanks for the magazine-- superb value considering that I am not paying for it. ((Not only that, but the Post Office occasionally doesn't cancel the stamps, so you're way ahead))

JEFFREY TOPPER((4616 Dundee Dr., Los Angeles, Ca. 90027; 3-12-74)) CRAC was dissolved after Universal got the necessary signatures. The film ((Animal Crackers)) was shown at UCLA, the event being accentuated by a visit to the campus of Harpo's brother, Groucho Marx. ((Hmm. I wonder if they're going to hit the TV markets or show it on the big screen first. Considering it hasn't been legally seen since 1952, Universal might be able to sell it to one of the networks for prime-time viewing. Drastically cut, of course.))

MARSHALL HALLER((P.O.B. 7317, University of Miss. 38677; 3-20-74)): Having at last regained control over my stomach, a control lost after reading some of your more pun-ishing prose, ...It will, of course, allay his fears if we make no Sudan moves against him. I, of course, can hold off since I have interests in Iberia but Kenya? If you can Uganda friend.

By the way, I was Ghana subscribe to your 'zine, but it was mislaid; could you tell me what rates are? Please do it without puns however, or I'll not only curse ya, Algeria ((I'm too sick to think I feel like I have Mali de mer))

Gil NEIGER((300 W. 108 St., N.Y.C., N.Y. 10025; 5-2-17)): Thanks for the headline. You know what I mean. Last issue you print for 1972 CV "ALL PRESENT AND ACCOUNTED FOR, SIR" and next turn three players miss their moves. Good work! Next time, try "England Gets Crushed". I'll win within three years.

Guess what's on 4/27? That's right, it's the day when all the little high school juniors go to Lafayette College. Should I go? ((No, to come here you have to be smarter than our headmaster, which isn't difficult for most people, but you miss the mark. If you do come, follow the sound of Gilbert & Sullivan and the smell of good tobacco to the Holy of Holies. Then, if you can plow through the piles of paper, you should find me, if I forget and don't leave the campus for the day.))

DUNCAN SMITH((9 E.10th St., N.Y.C., N.Y. 10003)):...The paper you're using in the latest issue is good (but not as good as the Pouch's paper). Still, it's a vast improvement. But you have another problem, your printing. ((I know. I can only plead lack of time and inexperience on how to use this sort of paper. The problem should be cleared up this issue.)). Now, let me advance my theory. The quality of the paper varies as the iverse quality of the printing. Now that we understand this theory, I suggest that you get some extra-revolting paper for next issue. I like to read a zine ((You like to read this?)). I'm not about to use Mixumaxu Gazette to wallpaper my room. ((Few of you know what Duncan has on his walls. I went there to help collate the anniversary issue of the Pouch, and, discovering that Duncan had a copy of a youngstown map, went into his room to look at it. After a couple of minutes I came out. Stephen Tiber asked "What do you think of it?" "Beautiful!" "You're sick!" "What?" "On his walls!" I went back into the room. The walls, I noticed this time, were covered with centerfolds from Playboy and Penthouse. Come now, Duncan, surely you need only one hand to turn the pages.))

...Have you read Last and First Men by Olaf Stapledon? ((I tried, but it was awful.)) Gill conned me into reading it, and it was simply awful. His predictions are crap ((you read sf for the predictions?)) and his philosophy is crap and his book is crap. Still, he ((Gil)) did lend me one good book: The Year of the Quiet Sun ((After taking third place in the Hugos to Niven's Ringworld and Silverberg's Tower of Glass, and second in the Nebulas to Ringworld, this book has sunk into ill-deserved obscurity. It is beautiful.))

Also I went to that pipe store and got that Virgin Village pipe. Damn good pipe I must say. The tobacco ((a mixture of their latakia house blen with pure latakia and Perique to the proportions of 8:1:1 which I suggested)) wasn't bad either. The pretty lady who served me thought I was some kind of tobacco expert. I didn't dash her dreams, being a kind gentleman ((sic on the last word. How come whenever I go in there, it's always a guy at the counter?))

BRUCE COY((785 Camino Del Sur, D-39, Goleta, Ca. 93017)) ((after some discussion on the adjudication problem posed a few issues back))...

By the way, what is "Pandin's Paradox"? ((It was discovered by Tony Pandin while trying to program a computer to adjudicate Diplomacy. It runs:

((England: A Yor-Den; F Nth Sea C A Yor-Den; F Ska S A Yor-Den)

((Germany: F Hol-Nth; F Den S F Hol-Nth

((Russia: F Nrg-Nth; F Nwy S F Nrg-Nth.

((Now, the English F Nth is left in place through the beleaguer-garrison rule, which permits the army to be convoyed with support to Denmark, dislodging the German fleet there, whose support is cut, which means that Russian F Nrg-Nth succeeds which means that F Nth cannot convoy which means that the support of German F Den is not cut, which means that F Nth can hold through the beleaguered garrison rule, and so on to insanity. This problem can be dealt in several ways. One is to declare it injudicable and have all units involved hold. Another would be to state that a fleet that remains in position through the beleaguered garrison rule cannot convoy. Another would be to delete the section that says that a dislodged unit cannot support, no matter where the attack is coming from.

((Or we could drop Diplomacy and take up tating.))

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POET: Pompous synonym for fool, ((Flaubert's Dictionary of Accepted Ideas))

PRESS RELEASES - 1973 EN

Cluj (At least that's where RBL says I write press from. Who am I to argue?): An open letter to all my little friends in 1973 EN: I, John ~~Carroll~~ Carroll (sorry, but I'm confused by the way RBL keeps spelling my name) make the following statements:

Turkey: You're a turkey, all right. That's why I stabbed you.

Russia: I really don't blame you. I should have kept up communications. My fault for the stab.

Italy: I offered you two choices: to help me against Turkey and Russia or to take as much of Austria as I could give you. Why did you agree to the first and do the second? I would have given you Trieste if you had asked, just for revenge. Well, screw you. That's the last help you'll get

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3) Funny names!

4) Literary references!

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This service is available for a limited time only. Kids! Tell Mom Comes with six great cole slaw recipes! (Pant pant!)

San Diego (IDUNNO): I, Irving T. Loopy, hereby attest that before using the Famous Press Release Writers School, I was a terrible writer. Herb Barents rejected me and John Boardman didn't even answer my letters. Since using the FPRWS, Walt Buchanan says that my releases are better than his and John Boardman runs when he sees me coming.

"From the Front" The Memoirs of Genral Ravioli: Two of my most trusted Bersaglieri, privtes Spaghetti and Latrino, have been conversing with a certain Corporal Adolf Schicklegruber of the 4th Austrian Foot and Mouth. He has some interesting views on the future of Europe; a future based on the eradication of the subhuman Slav, and the killing off of the sick man of Europe (made sick by those degenerate Turks who pursue Moslem tendencies (no alcohol, no sex during Ramadan)).

For their own part, my illustrious compatriots foresee a great future for the glorious Italian armies in such places as Ethiepia (or is it Abyssinia)(a Haile unlikely venture), Greece, Lybia, and, of course, in Egypt, against those cowardly Anglo-Saxons. Will this mean the new Roman Empire? Will the land that produced Tarquinius Superbus and will produce Frank Sinatra and later Milan triumph again?(continued on P.94)

Woodmere(IDUNNO):Could Heidi have made a mistake?

### PLUGGOLA

Arrakis:The finest Canadian zine, in terms of content and regularity. Subs are 20/page +postage, and Leeder will keep the books. There are also some games open at \$6 per slot, with a \$1 discount if you belong to IDA. American money is fine. John Leeder, Box 1606, Huntsville, Ontario, Canada POA 1K0

Nemo:One game open for a flat \$2, which is as cheap as you'll get, even if the only words the editor can spell have four letters in them. Subs are 7 issues/\$1. Mike Worthington, 2022 Price Ave., Knoxville, Tenn. 37920

Claw & Fang:For someone who hates press, Don Horton turns out one of the funniest, most readable zines in the field. This is the only major magazine in the field with a semimonthly deadline. Completely dependable. If you're a novice, he has articles on the problems you'll encounter. \$2 for twelve issues from Don Horton, 16 Jordan Court, Sacramento, Ca, 95826.

Fighter's Home:I'm afraid that God will strike me dead if I say anything nasty about the Reverend Gorham's oreation. He has restored my belief in miracles. Walt Buchanan made a joke about this 'zine. This 'zine is printed by offset, and profusely illustrated. What demonination are you anyway, Dan(whoops, Freudian slip, there. I mean "denomination"). Gamefees are \$8 each. The Vineyard, #8 Ravenna St., Asheville, N.C. 28803

### PRESS RELEASES- 1973 CQf

London to the World:To show my good faith, I will make a deal with the first person responding. I will give one home center in return for undying gratitude. How's Vienna for a center?

Woodmere(IDUNNO):Can I have it?

Berlin:Achtung! Achtung! Hello people of the world from Berlin. May I be the first to announce the overthrow of our old leader- Kaiser Wilhelm I- and the appointment of myself - Kaiser Wilhelm II- as new sovereign of the German people. Kaiser Bill I, at 99, was too old to read the Migumaxu Gazette, let alone write press. But I will change all that. I will alleviate the world's turmoil! Hurrah! I will initiate social and moral reform! Hurrah! And, most of all, I will write press! Whoopee! Now, after resounding opening, let us continue.

Berlin to France:Hello Paris. It's nice to see you leaving us alone. I appreciate that and will myself continue in our non-aggression policy. Good luck with Italy. P.S. If I can help you, let me know.

Berlin to Italy:Tsk tsk. You should be castrated for attacking our beloved Bavarian beerdrinkers, but since I am just beginning my rule and am very forgiving, I will overlook your hasty actions. But try it again and...

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PRESS RELEASES- 1973 FY

Paris(RIP-OFF):This is a warning to the world that if such activities as picking on my men while they are in bed creating new armies continues I will be forced to go underground and infiltrate your haystacks as well. Better yet I'll call my uncle and have him send me all over Europe. Maybe he will accept credit cards. Anyway, I always did think back seats were more comfortable than barns.

Moscow(KOS):1 Jan.1904:At a gala New Year's Party in the Kremlin, a slightly crooked Czar announced that his recent war with Germany was brought about by His Imperial Highness; discovery that Germany was the birthplace of the granddaddy of all communist pigs, Karl Marx. In response to a rousing chorus of "Bravo", the Czar turned to his First Minister and said in his best Grojcho voice, "You have just said the secret word, you win a hunderd dollars."

Geneva(IDUNNO):In his luxurious penthouse-suite on top of the Geneva Hilton, millionaire communist-wire service owner, Ivan Sunnavavich today denounced the Czar of Russia for "His foolish acts of idiocy during one of the worst winters of Europe in hundreds of years. How dare he mock our noble cause, and throw away good money for a joke?"Mr. Sunnavavich asked, lighting his Havana cigar with a five-dollar bill.

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PRESS RELEASES-1973 CQf((continued from P.7))

Berlin to Russia:Stay away from me and I'll leave you alone.

Berlin to the Rest of the World:Let's hear from you.

Woodmere,L.I.(IDUNNO):Seems I've heard someone ask that much from you.

Rome to Paris:You take the high road and I'll take the low road and I'll get to Moscow before you.Unless you do something about Berlin. How about it?

Rome to Moscow:Disregard previous message but still help against Germany. An attack on Austria would help, especially by way of Turkey. By next fall Vienna should be a free city.

Rome to Berlin:Unless previously ordered stock of dark beer is received by Sunday, I will have to come and appropriate it myself. Please be good hosts to the French.

Paris to Berlin:French doctors are concerned about the health of the German state.Should the infection of NMR threaten to spread, we may call in our Surgical Corps to perform an amputation.

Paris to ~~Vienna~~ Serbia and Rome:Should the war in the East continue as it is, we may have to realign ourselves.We hope that one of you will respond(even the Ankara avengers)

And now a word from the Italian ambassador to Paris:"Aaaaaaggggghhh-hh...snap...swing,swing(much like the ending of Brave New World)"

The French government hopes the ~~execution~~ er, accidental death of the ambassador will in no way affect Franco-Italian relations which have been a wopping success!!!

Woodmere to the World(IDUNNO):It's amazing how much a page and a half of releases will boil down into!



## PROGRESS REPORT: MARXIST PARTY OF AMERICA-VI

A number of party members, who shall go unnamed, have stated that the statement made last issue "Support Harpo Marx, the man who will end depression", is erroneus. These people claim that the Depression ended more than thirty years ago. True, but I was not speaking of that one. For further information, check the unemployment figures.

The number of incoming members of the Marxist Party has dropped off. There are many possible reasons, but we here at the National Office feel that it is due to the lack of any good slogan except for the original "If you love Harpo, Honk Your Horn." The American voter, ~~stupid~~ wishing to have a slogan, we here at the Marxist Party wish to supply one. We therefore ask all lyal Marxists to suggest slogans for our campaign.

## THE PUBLISHER- part III

Song-Bear-Pah(to the tune of "Young man Depair")

I suggest you  
Should forget it  
Penny's works you  
Will not edit ((Connie-Poo offers Boar-Pah a 'zine))  
No, I've read it  
It does no credit  
To you. It shows you are a hack mister

Today to this same spot Penny  
Will come foolowed by fans many  
With reams of press  
And dough, no less  
To write for the IDA Blacklister

And the knives will flash  
And the stabbed ones bray  
And they'll throw a bash  
On their printing day  
She will write now on, all insist her  
Works should go to the great Blacklister

Connie-Poo&Bear-Pah:And the knives will flash et c.

BoarYou have come too late  
For her writing  
To try to sate  
Your wit biting  
It's exciting  
All her writing  
In six years you should come back mister  
They'll print their 'zine not far from here.  
Beaker people, they'll drink some beer  
They have no fear  
Of non-fan's jeer  
You coming too late, you ...you hack missed her  
And the knives will flash et c.

Recitation: Connie-Poo & Bear-Pah

Con.:And have I paid out such large gobs of money

To buy a ditto, for Penny, who's funny  
To print her words, and find she's gone to Nicky  
Boar: Being a good player he's very tricky  
But here he comes equipped as suits his station;  
He'll give you any further information. ((Exeunt Boar-Pah & Connie-Poo))

((And how is Nicky, the IDA Blacklister equipped? If you're not here next time, you may find out the hard way!))

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Let me note that I spend a great deal of my spare time here at Lafayette watching movies on television. Thus, I find it useful to buy a tv listings and go through the movies listed. Recently a few real wierdos have been turning up: "Jesse James Meets Frankenstein's Daughter" (Descendants of Dr. Frankenstein kidnap children for bizarre experiments, and for revenge, transforms Jesse James' friend into a monstrous robot). If that's not bad enough, how about "Billy the Kid Meets Dracula" (Billy the Kid finds it difficult to reform when the evil vampire moves into his neighborhood.)? I am not making these up. Believe me. However, I would like to know who produces these. I haven't had the stomach to watch one yet. All this reminds me of the zombie movie in which five teenagers defeats thirty-odd Russian spies who are turning everyone into zombies, and afterwards, while they are being thanked by a four-star general, all say "Shucks," and rush off to go surf-boarding.

Oscar nominees, anyone?

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Hmm. Some of you out there, who are not already doing so, may be thinking of starting your own Diplomacy line. If so, let me recommend that you start with a carbon-copy line. This is very cheap, with an initial investment of about 29¢ as compared to 60-\$80 for a mimeo machine.

However, assuming that you've made the leap into mimeo. Here are some statistics.

**TIME:** Expect to spend an average of two and a half hours on each page. I know that typing up copy, et c. for MG takes about twenty five hours for me. As a beginner, you'll make mistakes, so expect more.

**MONEY:** Expect to spend about \$125, if you watch costs. A mimeo machine and starting equipment will run you from 60 dollars up, depending on how easy you want it. Paper of good grade is running around \$2.50 per ream.

**PUBLICITY:** The best way to handle this is to send out a large number of copies for your first issue. John Beardman let me send out MG#1 as a rider to his GRAUSTARK, circulation about 150. Cost, around twenty dollars. Set up trades. These are a lifeline to new subscribers and traders.

**INITIAL SUSTAINING COSTS:** Things like ink and mimeo masters. Mimeo masters can cost anywhere from 10¢ to 20¢ each, depending on who you know. You'd better stock up enough for six or seven issues right off. Ink, I cannot give you the price, as it varies, depending on your machine and if you want colors. Paper, as I said, will probably run \$2.50 per ream. Get enough for five or six issues, and expect to get two good sheets from every three tries.

After this, expect to lose a little money. I lose about \$2.50 per issue.

**RESULT:** If you do a good job, tremendous egoboo. Who knows, if it's good, people might subscribe, even.

## PRESS RELEASES-1973 ER

Berlin(KILO Press Intl.):On the eve of the annexation of Warsaw,the Government has announced that a new threat has arisen in the South.

"The government of Italy has requested aid to defend against an unprovoked,deliberate, and utterly despicable sneak attack on the part of the Habsburgs."The Minister of Defense said today in a prepared statement,"Italian intelligence has given conclusive proof that an Austrian expeditionary force force is being readied in Serbia for a raid into either Italy or Germany.An army has been dispatched to face the Habsburg horde.We wish to assure the folk of Tyrolia that we don't wish to place them in bondage;our army is passing through to insure that the battle will be safely to the South,"

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Halfway outside Paris to the North(RIP-OFF):Using the latest in laser technology, we have begun to melt down the rows of tanks which were recently abandoned here. We hope to make a solid structure around the northeastern part of our country so that our soldiers can walk from battle to battle without getting wet.We will cover it with dirt and plant it so as to not spoil the countryside. We might even include remote control cannons so that no one will be in any danger during attacks. It will be officially known as the "Matchin' O Line" as this is the insignia we will use on equipment here-(OTO).

Somewhere in the Pyrenees(RIP-OFF):A new vein of HZ<sup>1000</sup> was found here yesterday by X-ray sonar techniques of probing the ground. We are presently racing against Avis to reach it first. Our special tactics squadron is keeping watch using some of the latest developments in underground resistance and intelligence.It is reported that civilians are helping out.General Bonpierre is expected to visit the site tomorrow and continue on to the northland for further front line inspections.

Geneva(IDUNNO):Ivan Sunnavavich, exiled Russian communist millionaire today proclaimed his support for France in the war that is raging throughout Europe.

"The French have formed the true dictatorship of the proletariat," he announced to an empty room." They give everything to the people that produce goods."

Mr. Sunnavavich went on to note that the French had coped with the problems of wartime production by not producing anything."Except for bad press, of course."

## PRESS RELEASES-1973 ER((continued from the top of the page))

Karelia:Thanks to the inspired leadership and aid given to the Russians by the Phumphan Phoreign Phorces,St.Petersberg has been retaken by the English.Lord Snaughtfinger Upnoes described the Phumphan uniforms as "decidedly quaint.They consist of brilliant white tunics(no pants)on the back of which a brilliant scarlet day-glow, is a concentric circle design. In some of their slower troops we realized that the design was printed on the front of their uniforms."

Correspondent [redacted] reported that Phumphan troops are armed with an [redacted] officers are armed with a long staff,at the end of which is affixed a vicious-looking solid-white piece of cloth.Needless to say,they were shot down on sight as they approached our brave troops,waving their cruel weapons and screaming such deceptive war cries as "We surrender!"and "Don't shoot!"

Woodmere(IDUNNO):Not enough space, I'll reply next time,Bruce.

HELP!

Three things here for the moment. First of all, I have not been able to discover the whereabouts of Don Stehle after he disappeared from Manchester, N.H. Anyone who knows what his present mail address is is requested to let me know. He still has issues coming.

Next, I still need replies for the Lipton Player Poll. All you have to do is to send me a list of the worst players of Postal Diplomacy you know, up to fourteen, in order of their badness. Your name will not be printed, don't worry...unless someone votes for you.

Last, how would you like to play in a game here, for free. I need standby players. My list is exhausted. If you are a subscriber, your subscription will be put in deep-freeze until you are out of the game. Send in your agreement to standby immediately. Yesterday, if possible.

Six years ago, during the 1968 election campaigns, then-Mr. Nixon stopped in a small town in Indiana or Montana or someplace equally desolate, and found a young girl holding up a sign asking him to "Bring us together again."

Well, it has taken six years, but it appears that the American public finally has something with which it can agree on. Oh, certainly, there are a few people who disagree with the near-universal idea that Nixon should not disappear quietly, but this group seems to consist mostly of John Boardman, some members of the Federal Legislature, a Nixon's daughter Tricia (who feels that her daddy is not dishonest, but merely stupid).

I doubt if the American public has been so united on an issue since WWII was declared. I think we should all say "Thank you, Mr. Ex-President."

Forces of Democracy beware! It appears that resurgent monarchist forces are making moves to reaffirm their strength in Europe. For instance, in Monte Carlo, government people officially announced that Princess Caroline of Monaco (daughter of the movie star Grace Kelly and her husband), and Prince Henri, heir-apparent to Luxembourg are planning to get married. In America, we all know what it means when something like this is denied. It means it will go through. Consider the consequences! In the next generation, will Liechtenstein be drawn into this conspiracy? After that, can a campaign to take San Marino and Andorra be far behind? The democracies must act now! ((New York Times, 13 March 1974

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Great Lord in Heaven! This is your last issue unless you rescribe. You're free!

You are needed as a standby player in game \_\_\_\_\_ See p. \_\_\_\_\_  
Your IQ level has been shown to be equal to that of an alarm clock, and you are therefore the most intelligent person who reads this.