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THE LIXUMAXU GAZETTE



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"I told you not to smoke when you're cutting a stencil!"

"And God spoke, saying "Let there be The Lixumaxu Gazette, a triweekly publication of postal Diplomacy and whatnot, edited and published by Robert Bryan Lipton of Box 360, Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., 18042, Telephone number (215)252-9170. And let the people subscribe to it at the rate of 5 issues for \$1. Let there be, too, back issues of the PUBLISHER available for \$1."

"And it came to pass that The Lixumaxu Gazette went to the four corners of the Earth (for God had flunked Geography).

and when a copy came to God he pondered on it for many eons and then spoke, saying "Actually I had something different in mind."

"But Lipton persevered, and lo, when thrice thirtynine weeks had passed, he had gathered around himself 89 people to listen to his words, and when he spoke they all left. And Lipton sat and thought to himself until a still, small voice spoke to him, saying "listen, bubby, we all make schleriels of ourselves." So Lipton took himself to a man skilled in medicine, who performed a lobotomy. And when Lipton went that day and mailed out his twenty-ninth issue, people said it was the best.

"This is why, today we pick our teeth with our left index finger's nail."

These were the words of Robert Bryan Lipton, who then looked upon what he had written. But it was not enough. He still had to say

"Well, if that's what you're going to write, maybe you should smoke."

Abyssinia,
Robert Bryan Lipton
Robert Bryan Lipton
And he did.

DEAR RB

JOEL KLEIN (62-60 99th Street, Apt. 1220, Rego Park, N.Y. 11374: 1/16/75): As to this somewhat trivial (if it may be so termed) argument between you and whatever other New York City publishers who decided to join: You guys are good, but not that good, and all these letters seem to be asking someone to say "Gee, _____, you really do have a great magazine!" I have seen all the concerned magazines at one time or another and they are all good, indicating you work at them. What nobody is mentioning, but what you all realize, (or should or will) is that however cute you write, it's the quality and promptness of gamemastering which is the backbone of a zine. I imagine some people would be content to simply read letters, thoughts, et c., but I hardly think you could get a consistently large audience every time. ((Not in the Diplomacy Hobby)) As the case in point you've been an effective gamemaster in 1972 CF. Your zine is worth trading for (well, for my zine any trade is an improvement, but I'm being general) but I would not enter a new game as I have if I were dissatisfied with your running of the game. I have not played in any other New York zine save ARENA and GARDEN DUM but I'm sure the same applies for the

rest (I mean POUCH, POCKET AMERICAN and GAUSTARK). So if there's any point at all to the discussion between you guys (and after thinking about it I'm not sure there is), are you trying to express the criteria for a good publication or are you starting from the premise you're all wonderful, the only matter to be decided is who is Mr. Extra-Wonderful? ((Let us now slink back to our holes and try to pull them in after us. I agree with you: the first standard for a Diplomacy zine is the quality of gamesmastering and regularity of publication. BUT.

((Once you get beyond these what do you do? Andy's Phillip's SMOFT, the last time I saw it, was regular and well gamesmastered. How many non-players do you think read it? Mind, I am not sneering. Andy and you and other warehouse-zine publishers do a job, and do it well. But for me there is more to Diplomacy than the games.

((Still, I suppose you're right. I started out by trying to criticize POCKET AMERICAN constructively, and he turned it into a "my magazine is better than his" argument.))

I got the EC&ST containing Herb Barents' remarks ((mentioned in TIG # 27)). I believe he specifically mentioned New York publishers (and perhaps you answered the way you did) because the new New York zines appear to be opening a greater number of new games than other magazines. Now, if he meant it as a dig on the gentlemen named, it is unfair, but I don't think that's what he was aiming at. It seems he meant anybody, and on that point I agree with him. There's little question you find the time to get out a quality magazine. Also no argument that others do it and that some people can handle heavy workloads. But we are not Superman and something can happen. Even with some organization pledging to pick up abandoned games (MCA, DYNIA) there is tremendous confusion when a big zine hits the skids. If someone carries eight games and something causes a one-month delay, there could be 40-50 players wondering what is happening. Farming out games to guest gamesmasters is a good measure, in that no one person is responsible for a great number of games, and the publisher can still go on his merry way with writing and such. I don't know about you, but I'd rather take my chances with a zine with 10-15 games with several guest gamesmasters than one with a single editor/publisher/gamesmaster. If possible, of course. So I don't believe anyone wants people to set a limit on the number of games he or she runs because "if I had meant us to gamesmaster fifteen games he'd have added several hours to the day". But I do think it is justifiable to wonder what is going to happen if one person running many games drops or is forced to cut back without warning. ((You say "...the new New York zines appear to be opening a greater number of games than other magazines". This is false. POUCH, POCKET AMERICAN have no openings. GARDEN has the game games open it had ten issues ago. I've opened three games, but four of my old ones have just closed down. GAUSTARK has 'unlimited' openings, but w/a 13 price tag numbers should be kept down and the only way I see John abandoning his games is by dropping dead. That leaves EX-COMMENT which is new and is turned out by a high school's Diplomacy club which, according to Dave Gladstein, had a dozen people willing and able to run the thing with the aid of numerous local gamesmasters. While the problem of editors' dropouts is the most important one in the hobby, there seems to be relatively little willingness to help cushion the shock of such actions. Witness the lack of success of the IDA insurance plan, and the fact that less than one-third of the people invited to join DYNIA did so. The people who are willing to help each other are the very ones you think are vain and dangerous to the hobby in their overcommitment. At least they are willing to help out in disaster relief.))

RAY WINTER (1102-42 Jamaica Ave., Richmond Hill, N.Y. 11418: 1/27/75): As to the derivation of the word "cad", I have checked with two sources which seem to contradict each other. Webster's New World Dictionary, c. 1967 by the World Publishing Co. says it is coined from the Greek word "chaos" (meaning "chaos") but Webster's Universal Unabridged Dictionary c. 1936 by the World Standard Publishing Co. says it is "a word invented by the Belgian chemist, Van Helmont (1577-1644)". Take your pick. ((At least DeCamp had a reason for his mistake. He cannot be blamed for the inaccuracy of his sources (if it's his source that was wrong).))

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VERSES ON THE DEATH OF ROBERT BRYAN LITTON- PART II

Her end, when Emulation misses,
She turns to envy, stings and hisses:
Your best friend may in Hell be fried
Unless the lesser is his side.

Diplomacy! Oh, hobby strange!
What mind can circumscribe thy range?
Self-love, ambition, envy, pride,
A paper empire loves divide:
Give others armies, fleets and centers,
And I'll be worst of the dissenters.
Of chances to win I have none;
With your rottenness I have fun.
Of Boardman I can't read a line,
But with a sigh, I wish it mine:
He fend his case in three lines when
To do the same 'twould take me ten.
It gives me such a jealous fit,
I cry "Fox take him and his wit!"

Why, working in the drama's garden,
Must the best gardener be Warden?

Von Metzke is not of my friends
When he to my hoaxes pretends.
The hoax was on his very zine;
His usurpation turns me green.

Verheiden, Beshara divine
I can construct a stalemate line.
I, who held the laurels alone,
Can only hold half of the bone.

If these have mortified my pride,
And made turn my pen aside;
If with such powers Heaven's blessed them,
Have I not reason to detest them?

To all my foes, dear fortune, send
Thy gifts, but never to my friends.
I tamely can endure the first,
But this with envy makes me burst.
May all this serve by way of proem.
Proceed we therefore to the poem:

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I don't know about you people, but the best new zine I've seen in the time since the summer in Bruce Schlickbernd's POICTESME. Typo-free typing, near-perfect printing (as long as he uses ditto it cannot, by definition, be perfect), a superb layout and a beautiful typeface makes this a joy to look at. But more, Bruce is an excellent humorous writer, a honest and impartial serious writer and an excellent gamesmaster. He has openings for \$1 for a maintained subscription (\$2 surface mail; \$2.30 airmail). Bruce Schlickbernd, 6194 East 6th Street, Long Beach, Ca., 90803

ABC SF

This is going to be a series of appraisals of the works of the 128 sf authors whose books I have in my collection. But first a few words on the subject in a vain attempt to convince you I know what I'm writing about:

I've been reading science fiction and fantasy for a dozen years since, at the age of eight I read Heinlein's Rocket Ship Galileo. My present library consists of approximately 1400 books and a similar number of magazines. I boast a complete run of Fantasy & Science Fiction and about 400 issues of Astounding and Analog. My taste, like Eric Blake's, is slightly old-fashioned; I demand first a well-written story to entertain me.

I shall deal with the authors in alphabetical order. Comments are requested and will be printed if they make sense. With that out of the way, let us start of with

BRIAN W. ALDISS: Mr. Aldiss is an English gentleman. He has written on the order of twenty volumes of and on sf, of which I own nine and have read five. He has done editorial work for the respected British publishers, Faber & Faber.

Reading Aldiss is a puzzle. In the late fifties and early sixties he would content himself with simply telling a story well, as in the "Hothouse" series, which has since appeared as The Long Afternoon of Earth. Aldiss has, with J.G. Ballard been cited as one of the leaders of the New Wave in sf. What that is no one seems to know.

Aldiss' strong point seems to be the philosophical contents of his stories, which tend to be rather gloomy. Perhaps his best work is The Dark Light Years, a story whose major point is the shock value of its ending. I won't tell it to you, for obvious reasons. Aldiss has also written a history of sf, The Billion-Year Sprag, which I intend to buy one of these days.

Assuming no major changes, I expect Aldiss' place in sf will be his influence on the newer group of writers, whose works show his influence.

POUL ANDERSON: Anderson is a highly-skilled craftsman of writing. He has turned out brilliant works in heroic fantasy (Three Hearts and Three Lions), humorous sf, (Earthman's Burden, in collaboration with Gordon Dickson) and cultural-shock (Brainwave). His stories are almost invariably worth reading (with the exception of a few real stinkers, like Tales From the Flying Mountains), being typified by a libertar-ean philosophy, similar to, but not as loud as Robert Heinlein's, careful technical thought, well-executed stories, with an occasional brilliantly insane idea, like a bunch of 13th Century Crusaders conquering the Galaxy. He has a well-thought-out "future history", encompassing such collections as Trader to the Stars and his Dominic Flandry series. Anderson's one large flaw is his limitation of his novels to a set size. He has become so commercially successful that he apparently writes books large enough for the markets, without considering if they should be longer. That has badly flawed such promising novels as There Will Be Time, the story of the maturation of a man who has the ability to travel in time and The Brworlder, a fascinating study of an Earth, fifty years in the future which has split up into hundreds of sub-societies. Of his books I recommend (besides the ones mentioned above) Satan's World (slightly flawed but still a brilliant hard-science sf book), Operation Chaos (a fun collection of four stories about a werewolf married to a witch in a parallel world where magic works), Tau Zero (in which a near-light-speed spaceship can't decelerate), No World of Their Own (in which explorers return to Earth after 3000 years) and People of the Wind (part of his "future history"). Also, War of the Wing-Men, which got an unfortunate title for the book publication. It originally appeared in ASTOUNDING as The Man Who Counts. Anderson's written about 55-60 books, of which I own 44 and have read 43. Whoops! I also recommend The Rich Crusade.

I HAVENOT THE SLIGHTEST DOUBT ILL GET A LETTER FROM YOU IN A MINON THE SUBJECT OF ANDERSONS POLIT



Do you know some people have said my space-fillers are the most interesting part of my zine?

WHO AM I FORGIVE?

I have just received a letter from Rod Walker, dated 2 Feb. 1975, in which he says "It would seem to me that letting the whole set of feuds of last year die a quiet death is the best thing. I've made up with Scott ((Rosenberg, publisher of THE POCKET ARMENIAN) and Gil (Weiger, editor of THE TOUCH))..."

Rod is referring to two different feuds: to the opinion held by "The New York Conspiracy" that Diplomacy World is boring. Since I no longer receive Diplomacy World, I cannot and do not claim to hold an opinion on it any longer. If everyone concerned is willing to forget about this, I certainly am (Indeed, Mr. Buchanan has seemed anxious, throughout the 'feud' to forget about it).

Rod is also referring to the feud engendered by Conrad von Metzke's renegeing on his agreement to turn the Boardman Numbers over to Ray Heuer.

By this decision two people were hurt: first of all, Ray, who was anxious to do work for the hobby and who slowly came to realize this renegeing was a slap in the face. I have never seen him upset as he was in the two or three months following Conrad's announcement. The other hurt was John Beshara, whose name was used as the bogeyman to frighten Conrad into keeping the Numbers (supposedly). The old, stupid refrain was repeated again: "Beshara'll get the hobby if you don't watch out!"

These were the only two people hurt by the renegeing. That being the case, what right have I to "forgive and forget"? I have not been hurt. Rod Walker has not been hurt.

When I contacted Ray after he found out about the shafting, I told him that since he was the injured party, the choice of what course to take was his. I told him flatly that if he wanted to ignore Conrad's abrogation of their agreement and issue Boardman Numbers, I would support him. Ray chose to not take this course of action. John Beshara's course of action was that we simply ignore the people who had wounded Ray and him.

The point is that the choice to forget this feud is not mine to make. It is Ray's and John's. If they had overreacted and struck out at everyone as 'out to get them', I might have decided they were wrong. But both have acted with admirable restraint. They are both still very much hurt by this situation, however.

Under these circumstances, how can I forget this feud? To do so would be a denial of my friendship with Ray and John. If they write or phone me saying "drop it", I shall. But I know it is not my place to forgive.

NOW I AM THE STANDARD NORTHERN T. LEMATELINE CONSISTS OF 8 CENTERS: EDILIVLONDENNWYS TFSWELORWITHUM

WHO'S NUMBER ONE?

The committee on the 1975 Calhamer Awards is meeting, through the publication by John Boyer of a small zine on the subject. If you want to follow the progress of the committee, subscribe to the zine. It is 6 issues (and only 6) for \$1 from John Boyer, 117 Garland Drive, Carlisle, Pa. 17013. Copies of the two issues already published will be included as long as they last. If you're going to subscribe, do it now! There are only a limited number available.

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Any of you who were playing in THE FIGHTER'S HOME, be advised the Rev. Daniel Gorham has been in the hospital for the past few months. He is going to resume publication soon. Publication should be on the 20th of each month. According to a letter printed in GREEN DUN, Father Gorham may be written to at the Benedictine Monastery, 16005, New Mexico 87502. If your game went into suspended animation, and you want to continue, you must contact Gorham. If less than a majority of the players in any of the games wish to continue, you may enter a new game (whether this will be gratis I don't know).

ROLL CALL

Below is the list of all the people who presently get this zine. It is accurate through 16 Feb. 1975.

Code: The figures in the parentheses indicate present status. A single number indicates the last issue of your subscription. A "t" indicates we trade. Next comes those of you who are in games. If you are still active, the letter is capitalized. Otherwise it is in miniscules. "N" is 1973 EN; "R" is 1973 ER; "D" is 1974 GD; "E" is 1974 GE; "I" is 1974 IJ; "J" is 1975 J(MG 8, which was announced last issue); finally, "IX" is indicative of the fact you are signed up for the game which I presently have openings. "c" means this is a complimentary subscription.

Occasionally you'll see a number of code figures strung together. When a number appears in the code it means that you will get that number of issues when your other sub credits run out. For instance "NrJ8" means you will get all issues until 1973 EN, 1973 ER and 1975 J end, then an additional eight issues. You are still active in the first and last games, but out of the second. Now, if that is clear...

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I read in the Sunday, Feb. 9, 1975 NEW YORK TIMES that Martyn Green had died at that age of 75. Green had been for many years the leading comedian of the D'Oyly Carte Company, which is the world's principal company of Gilbert & Sullivan. Anyway who has heard Green singing one of the roles of the operettas knows who he was: the little man with a not-striking voice, who could nevertheless rattle off the patter songs at amazing speeds with flawless enunciation. His death is a great pity. He had been, despite his age and a mechanical leg, still active on the stage and screen. Now I shall never see him on the stage.

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PRESS RELEASES - 1973 CCF

CONSTANTINOPLE to EVERYONE: OK, I give up! What the Hell is going on here?

CONSTANTINOPLE to BERLIN: If you don't get into Moscow this time, it's mine. Got it?

BERLIN to PARIS: It looks like Austria is our next victim. Luckily I'm not out of position, so I'll start an offensive as soon as possible - next spring, after my builds. I'll take your offer of support into Trieste. If it doesn't work this time, we'll try again in the spring. Concerning St. Petersburg, I'm afraid I can't support you into there yet. Hopefully I will have taken it. I need to build an army to fight off the Austrians. Since right now I control nine centers and have nine units, I must take a supply center to get a build and St. Petersburg is the only one I can be sure of. (Taking Trieste is a tenuous matter without losing Venice) After I start my attack on Austria I'll move out and let you convoy your armies.

BERLIN to PARIS: By the way, the one press release last issue was a fake, as I'm sure you realized. After all, would I say something like that?

BERLIN to RUSSIA: Eat my shorts.

BERLIN to AUSTRIA: You too.

WOODMEN (IDUNNO): Never!

AND THAT'S THE PRESS FOR THIS ISSUE. THE TIC ISN'T IT AND SPEAKING OF THE TIC, THE TIC LETS KEA LOOK AT THEM

1974 GD

ITALY BACKS OFF. OR TRIES

FALL 1904

AUSTRIA (Thomas): A Gre-Tun; F Ion C A Gre-Tun; A Vie-Tyr; A Mun S A Vie-Tyr; A Bul H; A Tri-Ven; F Adr S A Tri-Ven; A Rum S A Bul. Ows: Bud, Bul, Gre, Mun, Rum, Ser, Tri, Vie (8) No change.

ENGLAND (Doyle): F Den-Bal; F Hel-Kie; F Nit-Nrg; F Eng H; F Nth C A Lon-Nwy; A Hol S F Hel-Kie; A Lon-Nwy. Ows ~~Wol~~, Den, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Nwy, Swe (8). May build a unit.

FRANCE (D. Smith): A Bur-Buh; A Gas-Bur; A Spa H; F Wes-Tun; A Bel S A Bur-Buh. Ows Bel, Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa (6). May build one unit.

GERMANY (Civil Disorder): Ows ~~Wol~~(0). Out.

ITALY (D. Klein): A Pie-Ven; A Rom S A Pie-Ven; F Tyr-Map; F Lyo-Tyr. Ows Map, Rom, Tun, Ven (4). Even.

RUSSIA (Boymel): F Con, A Ank, A Sev, A Mos, A War all Hold; F Smy-Eas; A Sil-Ber; A Ber-Kie; F Kie-Bal (annihilated). Ows Ank, Ber, Con, ~~Wol~~, Mos, St. P, Sev, Smy, War (9). Even.

Turn-tum-tum... We'll have Winter 1904 builds and spring 1905 moves coming up next time, folks. Moves are due here by noon, Friday, 14 March 1975. Ah, yes, if you feel the sudden urge to call me up and give me moves, do not call between 10:30 PM and 11:30 AM.

Spring moves may be made conditional on builds. In a passing note, one of yez asked me to shift my house rules and permit a vote on a three-way concession to the countries named last issue. No way.

ID CONTINUE ON BUT I DON'T THINK THERE'S ENOUGH ROOM SO I'LL GO WATCH FOOTLIGHTS AND COME BACK AND FILL U.

A short notice to those disinterested or unlucky enough not to turn this page: next issue is going to be a biggie. You may wonder why. Then again, you may not. The reason is that March 25 is the centenary of the first D'Oyley Carte Production of a Gilbert & Sullivan piece. Since most things have only one hundredth birthday, we'll ask interested parties to send in stuff to print.



1973 EN

AUSTRIANS WAKE FROM WINTER

WINTER 1908-SPRING 1909

AUSTRIA(Carroll):A Tri S FRENCH A Apu-Alb

ENGLAND(R. Smith):A Pru-War; A St.P-Mos; A Liv S A ST.P-Mos; A Fin-St.P; A Den-Pru; F Bal C A Den-rro; F Nth H; F Bar-Nrg; F Bot-Swe

FRANCE(Reif):Builds F Mar. F Mar-Lyo; A Mun S A Sil; F Adr S A Apu-Alb;A Apu-Alb; A Sev-arm; F Eas-Smy; F Ion C A Apu-Alb; F Tyr-Tun; A Ven & A Tyr S AUSTRIAN A Tri; F Mid H; A Sil S ENGLISH A Pru-War; A Boh-Vie

RUSSIA(Hollshwandner):A Vie S TURKISH A Alb-Tri; A Bud S TURKISH A Alb-Tri;A Mos-War; A Gal S A Mos-War ((Troops! A Mos is dislodged and must retreat-Ukr, Sev or be annihilated))

TURKEY(Diller):Builds F Smy, F Con. F Aeg-Gre; F Con-Aeg; F Smy S F Con-Aeg; A Gre-Bul; A Alb-Tri(annihilated); A Ser S A Rum; A Rum S RUSSIAN A Gal

Fall 1909 moves are due here by noon, Friday, 14 March 1975 and may be made conditional on the direction of the Russian retreat.

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FALL 1901

AUSTRIA(Topper):A Tri-Vie; A Ser S F Alb-Gre; F Alb-Gre

ENGLAND(Thomas):F Nrg-Nwy; A Yor-Hol;F Nth C A Yor-Hol

FRANCE(Doylo):F Mid-For; A Pic-Bel; A Mar-Pie

GERMANY(D. Klein):A Ruh S FRENCH A Pic-Bel; A Kie-Hell; F Hel-Den

ITALY(Hendry): A Ven H; A Apu-Tun; F Ion C A Apu-Tun

RUSSIA(Diller): A Gal-Bud; A Ukr-Rum; F Rum-Bla; F Bot-Swe

TURKEY(Friedman):A Con-Ank; F Bla-Con; A Bul-Gre

SUPPLY CENTERS

COUNTRY	GAINS	LOSES	RETAINS	CENTER #	BUILDS
AUSTRIA	Gre,Ser	Bud	Tri,Vie	4	1
ENGLAND	Nwy		Edi,Liv,Lon	4	1
FRANCE	Bel,Fer		Bre,Mar,Par	5	2
GERMANY	Den		Ber,Kie,Mun	4	1
ITALY	Tun		Nap,Rom,Ven	4	1
RUSSIA	Bud,Rum,Swe		Mos,St.P,Swe,War	7	3
TURKEY	Bul		Ank,Con,Smy	4	1
NEUTRAL		Bel,Bul,Den Gre,Nwy,Fer Rum,Ser,Swe Tun	Hol.Spa		

While you can't expect this nice supply center format to continue if space tightens, I think you'll agree it's nice. Winter 1901 builds are due here by noon, Friday, 14 March 1975.

Post no bills.



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WINTER 1903

AUSTRIA(Schandl):Builds A Vie. Has A Vie, A Tri, A Bud, A Ser

ENGLAND(Friedman): Annihilates F Lon. Has F Cly, A Yor

FRANCE(Berggren):Builds F Mar. Has F Mar, F Iri, F Nat, A Lon; F Eng, A Pie

GERMANY(Whitaker):A Den, A Pru, F Bal, A Sil, F Nth, A Tyr are his junk.

ITALY(Heuer):Has A Alb, F Eas, F Ion, A Ven.

RUSSIA(Hertz):Builds F St.P(n.c.) Has F St.P(nc), A Ukr, A Mos, A Rum, A Boh, A Nwy, F Bot, F Con, F Bla

TURKEY(R. Smith): Has A Gre, A Bul, F Smy.

How (yawn!) fascinating. I should have asked for Spring moves too, but we should get them in by noon, Friday, 14 March 1975, don't you think?

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FALL 1907

AUSTRIA: NMR; A Boh, A Tyr, A Vie all H

FRANCE: A Rom-Ven; A Edi-St.P; F Nrg & F Bar C A Edi-St.P; F Adr & F Alb S GERMAN A Ven-Tri; F Tyr-Rom; F Ion S F Alb; F Mid-Wes; A Wal-Lon; F Eng Holds services for the Czarina.

GERMANY:F Nth S F Nwy; A Kie-Mun; A Sil S A Kie-Mun; A War H; F Bal-Liv; A Pru S A War; A Ven-Tri; F Bot-St.P(sc); F Nwy S F Bot-St.P(sc)

RUSSIA: A Ukr-War; A Mos S A Ukr-Mos; A St.P S F Liv(retreats-Fin, annihilated); F Liv S A St.P

TURKEY:A Sev S GERMAN A War-Mos; A Rum wonders why it wasn't ordered to Serbia; F Bla S A Sev; F Eas S F Aeg; F Aeg S F Gre; F Gre yells "Gilinsky, come home!"

SUPPLY CENTERS

COUNTRY	GAINS	LOSES	RETAINS	#	BUILDS/ REMOVES
AUSTRIA		Tri	Ser, Bud, Vie	3	0
FRANCE	Rom, Ven		Bel, Bre, Edi, Liv, Lon Mar, Nap, Par, Por, Spa, Tur	13	A2
GERMANY	Tri, Nap, St.P	Rom, Ven	Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mun Swe, War	10	A1
RUSSIA		Nwy, St.P, Sev	Mos	1	-3
TURKEY	Sev		Ank, Bul, Con, Gre, Rum Smy	7	A1.

Winter 1907 builds are due here by noon, Friday, 14 March 1975. I'll ring up a standby, hokay?

And some late press:

PARIS to BERLIN: Somebody has a sense of humor! I assume that wasn't you (probably Lipton). ((Nope)) Anyway, Austrian Aggression has sealed his (or her) fate and I hope you got to Trieste this time and bounced Munich at least. He will die. If the Turks did anything foolish they will pay too. If you didn't, support me into St.P in the spring of 1908? Anyway, we'll see what you write. Things are going well enough.

PARIS to MYSTERY PRESS WRITER: We shall hang you by your... your... well, let's just say after we get through with you you will certainly be unique... or eunuch. Anyway, you get the idea. I sure hope that it's not

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me!

WOODMERE (IDUNNO): A set of before and after pictures will show at least one case in which he's well-hung...

AND WITH THAT HORRENDOUS FUN! TO SEND THE DISCUSSION OF THIS GAME FOR THIS ISSUE WHAT DO YOU SAY TO THAT PR

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TURKS OCCUPY HAREM

SPRING 1909

AUSTRIA (Walker): F Eas-Ion

ENGLAND (Coy): A St.P-Mos; A Ukr, A War & A Pru H; A Edi-Den; F Nth C A Edi-Den; F Swe-Bal; F Lon-Eng; F Bre-Mid; F Mid-Wes; F Spa(sc) S F Mid-Wes (retreats-Por, annihilates); F Tun-Tyr; F N.f-Tun

GERMANY (Ritter): A Bur S A Mar; A Bud-Gal; A Ser S A Vie-Tri; A Mun-Boh; A Ber H; A Kie-Ruh; A Tus-Pie; A Tyr & A Mar S A Tus-Pie; A Vie-Tri

ITALY (Lagerson): A Pie-Tus; A Ven S A Pie-Tus; F Rom S A Pie-Tus; F Wes tries valiantly for Spa(sc); F Lyo applauds and supports F Wes-Spa(sc)

TURKEY (Keller): NMR: A Ank, F Sev, F Rum, F Con & F Smy all H

... Rod Walker's address is changing shortly. See the listing in ROLL CALL. I'm asking John Hulland to send in standby moves for Turkey. Once again, see ROLL CALL. Fall 1909 moves are due here by noon, Friday, 14 March 1975.

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Cut to announcer for important message. "Yes, the Mixmaxu Gazette has one opening left in its last game for a while. Just send in a check for \$6 (or \$3 if you trade or get a complimentary subscription), include a preference list, and you'll get an extra bonus: Nothing! How many people offer that? This is not an offering, which may be made only by prospectus. Offer not valid if your telephone area code is 212, 215, 914, 613, 716 or 617. We now return you to our regularly scheduled programming.

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Someone, was it Dennis Klein? asked me if all New Yorkers hate one another. He said he rarely got a chance to play face-to-face, and wondered if every group hated its members as much as New Yorkers seem to do.

Actually, none of us hate any of the others, or, if someone does, it's not because of Diplomacy. We've played so many games that anyone who tried to judge the team he is held in by his peers by the alliance structures... well, let us just that friendship is friendship and Diplomacy is Diplomacy, and the two have

in common.

think of it, Scott Rosenberg is mad at me for pulling a beautiful stab  
Actually, I don't think it's my stabbing him so much as my telling  
the deadline that I was going to stab him (Remember:  
However, Scott, I never take a  
ful to make sure I  
I never take a

Problems beset me constantly. While the number of people in the hobby who are willing and able to do some writing is on the decline, the number of new zines run by my friends seems to be on the rise. Duncan Smith is probably finally coming out with BUNNY WABBIT. I think he is. He's asked me for an article. Sure, Duncan, why not? I've only about a three-foot deep pile of correspondence to take care of here. Why not?

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In about three weeks I intend to step down from my leadership of Duh New York Mafia Protective "ssociation and let someone else do the work. Probably Ray Heuer, if he doesn't send me a letter demurring.

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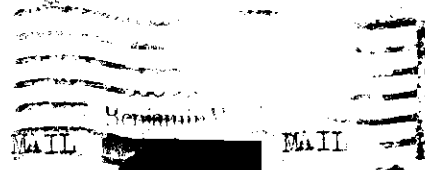
Hello? Is there anyone out there with copies of SLOBINPOLIT ZHURNAL before Charlie Sharp took over, for sale or give-away? If you're willing, let me know. Meanwhile, our man in Strakenville, John Carroll, reports that Hartley Patterson has borrowed the rules of Slobbovia in toto, changed the name to 'Carthage' and is gonna do to Britain what the Killarmoy mob did to North America. Here's hoping I can trade and play. Why anyone wouldn't want to, I haven't the slightest.

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Doug Beyerlein, Boardman Number Custodian, and Marie Cockrell are going to get married in late April. That's what I call cementing an alliance! A plan I had, to have the New York mob send a set of His Sn Hers daggers has apparently fallen through. In any case, I'm sure everyone wishes them well. I just wonder if the ability to play Diplomacy is hereditary. Jehoshua Bar-Yussef!

AND I FINALLY FINISHED WELL CONTINUE THE DISCUSSION NEXT TIME OKLYRAY BUT FIRST TIME TO SAY YOU ARE

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SEND TO:

\_\_\_ This is you last issue, dummy.  
\_\_\_ You are needed as a standby in game \_\_\_\_\_. See page \_\_\_\_  
X This is The Mixumaxu Gazette (I stole that joke from no one)

BY THE WAY, THE COME ANNOUNCED LAST ISSUE  
NOW HAS A BOARDM  
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