

Actually, it's April, which means a few inevitable things, like taxes (and the corresponding delay in Roy Henricks getting ENVOY out — Roy, may I suggest that in 1985 you put an issue out in early March and then wait until May 1 or so? At least we'll have some warning as to when the next issue comes out...), studying for finals, and issue 41 of LIFE OF MONTY, by Don Del Grande, 142 Eliseo Drive, Greenbrae, CA 94904-1339, phone (415) 461-2692, but call before midnight Pacific time (3 AM Eastern), and I'm not home before 7:30 Pacific on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Did you remember to unfurl the banners and pay the diptaxes last time? Well, one out of two isn't bad.

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Right now, I'm in the middle of filling out job applications, trying to write a paper (whyizzit I have the only Computer Science course known to mankind that requires a 2000-word paper for 70% of the grade?), and on top of all that, I have to get THIS thing done. If it's a little thinner than usual, it's because I didn't have much time to do it.

And now....it's....

MONTY'S NEWS AND COLUMENT is brought to you by the makers of IT - the WWII game with the swale of 1 man/counter and 31 square miles of board in 128 different colors....buy yours today!

GDW has announced the re-release of DRANG NACH OSTEN, "retitled" FIRE IN THE EAST (I don't know very much German - but don't these two titles mean the same thing?). For those of you unfamiliar with EUROPA, GDW plans to make a series of games which, when put together, make a LARGE map of Europe (and N. Africa, plus Iran/Iraq). How large, you ask? Most EUROPA games have 2 21x27 inch maps (sample games: THEIR FINEST HOUR (Battle of Britain plus possible German invasion), THE FALL OF FRANCE (featuring Swiss troops), CASE WHITE (Poland), NARVIK (Norway)). FITE has SIX - that's about 63x54, if the maps are placed in a certain way (not necessarily correct, though). Also included are 2000 counters (although FALL OF FRANCE has that many). The strange thing: this game runs from June 1941 to December 1943 - if you want to continue, you have to wait for SCORCHED EARTH, with MORE counters and MORE maps! (Yes, SCORCHED EARTH is a new "Unentschieden".) The price for FITE: a mere 200. (Under a new price structure, you can get WESTERN DESERT, NARVIK, and MARITA-MERKUR for \$48 - and I don't mean each one for \$48; that's \$48 for all three at once!)

ALSO on the GDW front, THE THIRD WORLD WAR, which is supposed to be similar to EUROPA in 1990. The first game? Of course - THE BATTLE FOR GERMANY. (What did you expect for the opening battle - Thailand?) Oh, I almost forgot - there's a playtest session of FITE in Berkeley which recently resulted in 30 or so pages (30 pages or so) (whatever) of questions, especially with the order of battle. Have a nice wait. (By the time it comes out, it may be up to \$55 or even \$60, at this rate.)

According to the latest EUROPA EXPRESS, MadCon II will be May 25-28 in Madison, Wisconsin. Contact Mark Frueh, 1013 Milton Street, Apt. 304, Madison, WI 53715. Gary Coughian sez he'll be there - since I'm already planning to go out east for MaryCon the following week, I might just plan on going to this one as well.

I also see that Kathy & John are readying a ByrneCon in late July for Ken Corbin and Joan Extrom. Whatisthis, they rate a ByrneCon mention in EE and I rate chopped liver or something? (Don't worry, Kathy, I remember you saying there'll be a ByrneCon to personally drive me out of - er, welcome me to - MYC and those Eastern areas I've only heard about. ...)

The price for FIRE IN THE EAST has been upped to \$60

PUDGÉCON III: Labor Day Weekend at Bob Olsen's place, 6818 Winterberry Circle, Wichita, KS 67226 - bring those water pistols! Unfortunately, I won't be there, since I'm supposed to be a DM (Dungeon Master) at PACIFICON this year at the same time - IF it's held, that is.

FIGHT OF THE CENTURY: It's almost time for ORIGINS, which includes DIPCON, possibly for the last time in a couple of years. The main feature of this year's DIPCON is deciding where to hold next year's As I see it, here are the possible locations:

- (1) San Francisco Bay Area (either PACIFICON, GAMES CAUCUS, or some new con somebody's thinking of adding)
- (2) Los Angeles (Gateway; also, GLASC may still be down there)
- (3) San Diego (PEERICON; it won't be the first time DIPCON was separated from any other event)
- (4) Sacramento (a longshot at best)
- (5) Seattle (can Tallman come through?)
- (6) Baltimore (ORIGINS 85 will be here)

I feel that the big argument will be over whether or not to ignore the DipCon charter by giving it to a location not in one of the listed areas for 1985 (the only one not in a prescribed area is Baltimore) -Baltimore is in the east, where most of the Dippers live, and it is at ORIGINS. The easterners are probably saying, "This will be the second year in a row we couldn't reach DIPCON if it's not at ORIGINS" - how about those of us out here who haven't been near DipCon since Burlingame, CA in 1981? (For those of you who are uneducated in such trivial matters, Burlingame is about 5 miles north of San Mateo, where URIGINS was in 1981; both of these places are south of San Francisco) I think LA will get the nod for 1985. In 1986, the choice for DipCon goes to either of the coasts - I see no reason why, if DipCon is out west in 1985, it shouldn't go out east - to Beltimore or New York, for example - in 1986. (The question is, what Easterners would come out west to place a bid for 1986?)

arycon-is-coming-origins-is-coming-pudgecon-is-coming-etceteracon-is-coming-dipc(Yes, but whatever happened to STANTINOPLE-CON?

ME OPENINGS

DIPLOMACY....Look, Cathy Cunning charges \$2 a shot and filled her games in 4 months. After 3 months here, with NO fees, I've got Martin, Bjornsson, Gestiehr Jr., and Doyle signed up - who's next? (Carlton is - need 2 more)

MORE DIP....GM Mike Ehli (it will be run every month). Signed up:
Gestiehr Sr. and Coughlan. CONTACT MIKE at 1715 Cottonwood,
Springfield, OR 97477, if you want in.
MORE DIP....GM Derwood Bowen. 85 NMR fee. Signed up: Olsen.

KINGMAKER....House rules appeared in LOM #40. Signed up: Ehli.

NUCLEAR WAR/ESCALATION If you only own one, let me know! Signed up: White, Ehli.

CAMPAIGN TRAIL has been withdrawn. (Not too exciting PBM)

PENNANT RACE.....build your own baseball team & buy/trade/play/sell your way to the Series! Rules available on request for a SASE.

TITLE BOUT....based on the "Role Playing With Title Bout" rules.

Now YOU TOO can be the next "Champeen of the World" (as recognized by the WBC, WBA, IBF, PDO, NADF, CDO, etc.)

Rules available for a SASE (one SASE is good for both Title Bout & Pennant Race)

Ownership of the listed games is necessary (for TB & PR) - the games played are variants of the actual games, and the variant rules changes are available from me (not the actual full game rules).

PAGE 2 isn't signed up for anything

"Why did Freud cross the road?" "Why did Freud cross the road?"
"When did you first notice this interest in roads?"



FNORD 4 (and m, I didn't steal Bowon's typowriter.)

Yes, it's Fnord, the sub-zine which dares to be NOTHIUG.

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GAME OPENINGS: Still plenty of room in Diplomacy (no fees) I have one signed up, but when you sign up, write to ME, please. I also have a couple of U of O dippers interested in pleying, but I will put on a limit of one local per game.

LOW HR's are in LOW 37, My additions/amendments are in LOW 39.

Letter Dept.: Nothing. C'mon gang, I'd like to hear from you a little more. I know some of you don't like this sheet a whole lot, (judging from an average score of 4.75 in the Freshman Poll) and I'm not too upset by that, but I'd at least like to know what I'm doing wrong. Your input will be appreciated. Really.

Miscellaneous: Yes, my publishing schedule has been erratic. I've had a lot of personal problems lately, with school (temporarily out), my "family" (quotes intended), my social life (almost none, as long as I can remember), and some other things. I think some of these things are working out, though, and I should be getting back on track.

LEPRECOU: This con, hosted by Joan Extrom and Ken Corbin outside of Philometh, OR, was held over St. Patrick's Day weekend. Attending were Joan, Ken, daughter Samantha, Ken's sister Ali, Terry Tallman, Cathy Cunning, Jim & Carol Bumpes (and their newly-adopted son). Stephen Lee, Michael Lee (no relation), a couple of guys from the coast whose names I don't romember, and yours truly.

Highlights: Joan's first ftf Dip game; Ali's first try at Gunboat (she and Joan shared a 2-way draw); a spectacular view of the Mary's River; Michael Lee's inability to convince the dows that he was friendly; singing "Happy Birthday" to Paul Bauterberg

that he was friendly; singing "Happy Birthday" to Paul Rauterberg over the phone (we found out later that it wasn't his birthday); phone conversations with BRUX, Merk Leudi (who, incidentally, has offered to help me out by offering Brownie Points to people who sign up for my game.), and my only fan (that I know of), Gary Couchlan; people who had the audacity to get up at 7am when the rest went to bed only 3th hours earlier; and my getting an official nickname from the Hobby Mickname Custodian & Hobby Sex God, Tallman. In a flash of inspiration, he came up with... "T-bone". This refers to how I usually end up in Dip games: with the dogs all around, drooling and waiting for their chance to chew me up. Sigh... At least it's better than the nickname Joan got from the readers of Whitestonia, which was "Mr. Daly, Sir".

page 5 HUH

Why can't Mike number pages like everybody else? Where would John Boardman be if he had numbered GRAUSTARK this way?

BEYOND THE STELLAR EMPIRE - any players of this SFRP game out there? I'm thinking about joining up - any hints?

PAGE 3 reminds you that the next LOM will be delayed (finals & graduation....)

FNORD - page 6
OFFICE MERORANDUM

To: All managers

From: Office of the President

Subject: <u>Early Retirement Program</u>

As a result of eutomation as well as a declining workload, management must, out of necessity, take steps to reduce our work force. A reduction-in-force plan has been developed which ampears to be the most equitable under the circumstances.

Under this plan, older employees will be placed on early retirement, thus permitting the retention of employees who represent the future of the company.

A program to phose out older personnel by the end of the current fiscal year via early retirement will be placed into effect immediately. This program will be known as RAPE. (Retire Aged Personnel Early)

Employees who are RAPED will be given opportunity to seek other jobs within the company, provided that while they are being RAPED, they will request a review of their employment status before actual retirement takes place. This phase of the operation is called SCREA. (Survey of Dapabilities of Retired Early Workers)

All employees who have been RAPED and SCREWED may also apply for a final review. This will be called SHAFT. (Study by Higher Authority Following Termination)

Program policy dictates that employees may be RAPED once, SIRE ED twice, but may get the SMAFT as many times as the company deems appropriate.

Whole lotts space to fill yet. What else can I write here? Ht.

U of G basketball team made the NIT, which don't mean a whole lot anymore, with the NCAA tourney getting as large asit is. Still, it was a helluva lot better than anyone expected. Maybe next year we'll get a chance to regain our title. You heard me. I said regain. Oregon won the first NCAA tournament back in 1939. There were only eight teams invited that year. Those were the days

I'll let you go now. I'm sure you'd much rather be reading up on the kinky exploits of TOM and Helga over in SUBMARINE WARFARE.

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Well, thank you Mike for yet another FNORD, the third in a series of who knows how many. Or is this the fourth, if you count the IRKSOME one?

Isn't it strange how some words develop? Correct me if I'm wrong.... but didn't the word "shaft" come from Richard Roundtree's title character, John Shaft?

PAGE 4 got its name because it's between 3& 5 - amazing

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You may be asking yourself, "Self, what 'zines does this guy actually trade for, and why are you talking to yourself?". Those names with asterisks are pubbers of 'zines I trade with, in this order: GIVE ME A WEAPON, EMPIRE, EUROPA EXPRESS, CATHY'S RAMBLINGS, PERELANDRA, IRKSOME, NO FIXED ADDRESS, RETALIATION, THE BUZZARD'S BREATH, XENOGOGIC, MANIFEST DESTINY, THE ACOLYTE, EREHWON, POLITESSE, WINSOME LOSESOME, and RAGING MAIN. In addition, if Jack Masters starts up BLACK FROG again, I've got a trade.

When it comes down to REAL MONEY, I cough it up for WHITESTONIA, GRAUSTARK, ENVOY, THE VOICE OF DOOM, THE (Avalon Hill) GENERAL, STRATEGY & TACTICS, DIPLOMACY DIGEST, THE AMERICAN WARGAMER (Amer. Wargaming Assoc. 'zine), KRIEGSRAT (Nat. Warg. Alliance 'zine), and I write for ALARUMS & EXCURSIONS (FRP Amateur Press Assoc.) and MENTAT (Computer APA).

SPEAKING OF COMPUTERS, for those of you who are wondering, I managed to find an on-sale disk copy of CRUSH, CRUMBLE & CHOMP.My high so far is 1217 (Mantra, Destruction, NY). Meanwhile, I've gotten 5 out of 7 in ZORK III....

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SUBMARINE WARFARE

(a neat idea for a subzine)
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Way, hello there. Once again it is time for me to take control of the next several pages of LOM under the guise of a subzine. First off, I HAVE a roaring case of spring fever (not to be confused with Satyrnight Fever). I am so sick of rotter weather I could scream. Aarrgghh! (Too bad a written scream doesn't come off as well as a vocalized one. Anyone desiring the real thing can obtain one by sending me a blank cassette.) We had one really nice day this week, which sent me scurrying to the local golf shop in search of new sticks. I am not very good yet (yet implies I expect to be sometime in the future), but the miss-matched conglomeration I now have can't be much help. Anyway, I got some loaners to take out to driving range and try out. But the weather eats if bir time. Rainy and windy. Bullshit!

eats if big time. Rainy and windy. Bullsnit!

Let's see. What other topics of non-interest can I babble on about? I have been fascinated by computers for some time now. So, last week I went into two different computer stores and booked. Then I read some recommended literature. Now I am psyched up to get one. Problems, though. The damn things aren't cheap. What's more, choosing one over another is an exciting prospect. Especially being the novitible I am and finally, the thing will no doubt demand some of my time. A commodity in short supply. But I expect I will find some time. The Macintosh intrigues me right now. It is supposed to be real easy to use, though its newness means less software available than for an established machine. But the apple people are betting that software makers will jump in to fill the void.

From golf to computers, the boy wonder jumps his sub around in a never-ending mind-boggling range of topics. Where next will the pen be taken? How about the supposed raison d'taire of this mag, Diplomacy itself? Actually, the continuing drama of the game opening mentioned in previous issues continues (That's wny it is a continuing drama.) It is one of the problems when one sets out to become a GM. Having never done it before, one has no track record to fall back upon. Hence my GM'ing is something of an unknown quantity. Try it. You'll like it.

** Dip Openin $_6$ ** Regular dip-Preference lists accepted 35 N/R fee- 4 week deadline- Gray press (black with unanimous consent)- No game fee

So far, only Bob Olsen has signed on. That's all right. So what if I have never GA'd a game. At some time in their lives, neither had Dick Martin. Or Del Grande. Or Mr. Accuracy nimself, Scott Hanson. Not even Bernie Buddy AAA whoever. With these and other shining lights leading the way I know that no matter now hard I try, I just can't screw up worse than they have. Well, some of them, anyway. So sign on now and help me make my reputation, too.

Page one of the subzine that is willing to associate with Don pel Monty

Say, Derwood, how would you like to PAN for LOM?

I didn't think so Page 6 doesn't

This must be PAGE

Anyone who saw their name in that last little bit and was offended, "cops. Sorry about that." The following is a disclaimer. "The above is meant to be number." Except the game opening itself. I do so want to be field GM. I promise to be good. The rule book, the whole rulebook, and nothing but the rulebook.

But not linsey's houserules. I actually attempted to read them, thinking they might help me write some for my own. But after reading them I decided that no one is evergoing to read all that garbage. I mean like:

HR 2,cd4 - IF a fly lands on your orders and is smashed, thus making your orders illegible, the GM will call you on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7PM, unless it is already deadline Saturday. The GM will call at exactly 7PM. If not there, will then have all units hold, except should one or more be dislodged. In that event, the GM will write such supports as are needed to prevent the dislodgements. Should that not be possible, the units not on supply centers will be dislodged first, followed by those on non-nome centers. If only an attack will prevent the loss of a home center, then that attack will be written. This generates truly neutral orders. The player won't be helped (he won't gain any centers) but he won't be hurt (he will only lose non-preventable losses). Under the circumstances, I believe a player deserves this. The lone exception will be a player who writes his orders on fly paper. He will most certainly NMR.

Having just written the above, it occurs to me that I have actually confessed to having read all of Brux's HR's. As much as I hate to say it, I believe some might argue that "that" is a definition of nerd. I disagree, though I do find Mark Berch's writing especially interesting. ((Don't jump around like that. You will confuse them. Remember, there are people out there who are dumb as cows.))I shall close this out with the following, "If you can't laugh, you probably have the hickups."

Are you ready for yet another chapter in the sordid life of a Dominoid? Well, good. Because I just happen to have one here in my back pocket.

Today's topic is the last managers meeting I attended. They brought all the managers in our region to Columbus for this. The main focus of this meeting was to pump up the managers for all the lofty goals the company has for 1904. Would you believe a video tape pep rally? Well, that's just what we got. Our operations staff got together at corporate headquarters and had a real pep rally. They video taped the whole thing and played it for us. Imagine some company doing this. The vice-president of Domino's wearing a sweatshirt, false moustache, party hat and carrying a noise maker. Our regional director wearing a chicken suit and talking about our goals for 1904. There were two real cheerleaders with pom-poms, a one-man pep band, noisemakers, party favours, a real zoo. The regional director from California giving his report in "Valley Girl" style. All of this was designed to get us motivated for the coming year. I think I like working here. I fit right in.

SUB/TRADE/etc.: NOTES: XENOGOGIC Whew. I managed to get two pages filled. Now I can relax. Almost, I got about half of this here page to fill up yet. I could do something dumb like the memorial white space or some such, but that's boring. Besides, I can find other ways to be boring. If you don't believe me, read on.

A loon from Rangoon crocned a tune in June about a marcon moon. But it wasn't very popular.

Well, after staring into space for awhile, I came to following conclusion. Enough of this trash. Since this is a subzine I can write however little I like. For some reason I am not inspired this month. Hopefully, next month will see me juiced up in several different ways. I am attempting to germinate ideas for fun things to write about from thin air. Maybe thick air would work better? I could move to LA for that. . . . Nah. There ain't no cliques on me. Not here in Ohio, by yiminy. Let's leave things that way. So, until next time, send me some juice.

Yours truly,	0
Herwood	Breven
Derwood Bowen	1000

(Oops. This isn't a letter. Oh, Well. Maybe if I don't say anything, they will think I did it on purpose.) Did it work?

Polar bear in a snow storm.

An albino mouse in a snow storm.

The Delorean memorial white space. (Kinda chokes you up, doesn't it. Sniff, sniff. Tear trickles down cheek.)

Powdered milk in a snow storm.

"DeLorem" and "Sniff" is a bad combination of words!

Snow in a snow storm.

(The previous statement was NOT on opinion that John Deloren is guilty of anything)

Vision after flashbulbs.

Enough, already.

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UNDERLINES INCLUDED!

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HERVE Winter 01

- A (Michalski): build A Vie, A Bud. HAS: A Vie, A Bud, A Ser, A Tri, F Gre
- E (Brawmer): build F Lpl. HAS: F Lpl, F Eng, F Nth, A Bei
- P (Gardner): even. HAS: A Mar, A Pic, F Mao
- G (Shores): build F Kie, A Mun. HAS: F Kie, A Mun, A Bur, A Hol, F Den
- I (Bowen): build F Nap. HAS: F Nap, F Tun, A Rom, A Pie
- R (Staughter): build A Stp. HAS: A Stp, F Gob, A Sev, A Ukr, F Rum T (Ehli): even. HAS: A Arm, F Bla, A Con

Underlined moves do not succeed. Hyork hyork! I am sure that Don will not only give us a new deadline, but also print the press that was omitted from the last LOM. Right Don?

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EHLI to WORLD: My play here should demonstrate why I want to get into the CMing

TURK to CHRISTIANS: Go ahead. I deserve to be eliminated, the way I screwed up. ROCKVILLE: Now is that a good attitude to take?

I have tentative Spring orders from England and Austria. See you soon!

BUD to CON: Mike, Russia made me an offer I just couldn't refuse. Sorry to have deceived you. But, if Russia supported you to Bulgaria, or Italy is in Trieste at your instigation, cancel that apology!

(no Dateline): I believed Jack, and look what it got me.

ROCKVILLE: Besides the two builds, John?

MOSCOW to VIENNA: Do not come to the Black Sea Shore... A crazy person is loose here. He has confused the offense with the defense. Some say he is ahead of his time... will be needed Beirut soon. For the time being, he is still on the far side of the bend.

MOSCOW to CONSTANTINOPLE: DEFENSE?!! If that is defense, I will eat my hat, or ... your hat.

FRANCE to WORLD: Actually, I didn't sign up for this game just to act the clown, even if I'm doing a good job of it at the moment.

FRANCE to ENGLISH CHANNEL: Sit, boy, SIT! DOWN I SAY!

GENEVA (via the Turkish Universal Review of Diplomacy - TURD): The international trial of Sultan Mych-al Ellye began today, two weeks ahead of schedule, at the Sultan's request. The Sultan was charged with one count of attempted use of unorthodox openings, one cound of assault with intent to backstab, and one count of loitering (in Constantinople).

The Sultan plead guilty to all the charges, then started a hysterical speach, which lasted for 30 minutes. He spoke unintelligibly for most of this time, but many in the courtroom managed to understand some of his rantings. According to these onlookers, his tirade included repeated statements of apology to the Russians, mumblings about S&T articles in DIPLOMACY WORLD, and prayers to Allah concerning his forsaking a voyage in heaven in exchange for a free ride to some spaceport in a galaxy far, far away. All the while he was bowing toward Mecca, kissing the feet of the Russian Tsar, who was prosecuting the case, and making obscene gestures to the Austrian Kaiser Johannski, who was seated in the front row.

When the room was again quiet, the Tsar~prosecutor said he was willing to let the jusdge decide whether the defendant should be jailed in Switzerland, or be sent on a plane back to Constantinople. The judge responded by Standing on his chair (and the numerous books stacked thereupon), and declaring loudly, "De plane! De plane!" ROCKVILLE: I Love it! I suppose this game is worth it, now. Encore!

DEADLINE MAY 1, 1984

For those of you who want to know, the FALL 1901 press, which arrived the day after LOM was printed, begins after "I have tentative Spring orders...."

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DAWN OF MAN

No, this isn't SUBMARINE WARFARE. It also isn't FNORD. It really can't be called LOM, either. Yes, this must be THE DAWN OF MAN. what's it for?

Here's the history as we know it.....Back in 1982, Roy Henricks (of ENVOY fame) thought up a PBM system for Avalon Hill's CIVILIZATION, which everyone and his or her brother and/or sister seems to love right along there with DIPLOMACY (well, almost). In December of 1983, the self-same Roy thought up the HENRICKS - no, actually they're called (for now) the CIVILIZATION Numbers, similar to the Boardman numbers of Dip. The numbering system is slightly different; the equivalent of the BN 1982A in the CN is A1982. The suffix "et" is affixed to a number to indicate that the extended trade rules (from THE GENERAL) are being

ANYWAY, what with Roy being a tax preparer (or something along that line) during the first few months of the year and a plumber (is this right?) during most of the rest, plus having to GM 40-odd games,

this right?) during most of the rest, plus having to GM 40-odd games, he wants some of us other pubbers to get some of the word spread around to you CIV GMs out there, if you exist (or you're even thinking about it). But you readers know me better than that!

I know what you're thinking - "He's trying to steal the CIV numbers." Who, ME? After all, Roy thought up the system - let him deal out the numbers (and collect the \$1 donations - you DID remember that part, right?). HOWEVER, those of us with loads of free time AND an interest in Civ AND disk drives to hold all of these stats that can be recalled at a moment's notice AND just be now to sub to the two be recalled at a moment's notice AND just happen to sub to the two 'zines (for now) which run Civ can work out those game stats without any bother...no, no bother at all, just punch the things in and they stay on the disk, and when the game ends the entire history is displayed for printout.

Game stats....game history....just what is needed? Here's my idea:

- 1) GAME START names and countries of all players, including any standbys, when they took over, and in which 'zine(s) and GM(s) the game ran under. Almost forgot the Civ number!
- 2) GAME IN PROGRESS for each "country", a record of the turn number of each advance on the AST, how many cities and/ or tokens (on-map) each player has after each turn (I'm not too sure which is more important), which Civ cards (and when) each player buys, and other miscellaneous details (e.g. results of Civil Wars).
- GAME RESULT who won? Was it a draw? Things like that....

Here's an example of a game in progress:

A1982 ENVOY (Roy Henricks)

Assyria: Charles Darling Babylon: Ralph Anderson Asia: Alan Dudderar Crete: John B. Grant Jr. Illyria: Earl Wiggers Italy: John L. Woodson Thrace: James V. Lawler

	AST	MO	MOVEMENT					CITIES						
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ASR	1	2	3	4	5	6	C)	0	0	1	2	4	4
BAB	1	2	3.	4	5	6	()	0	0	2	2	2	6.
CRE	1	2	3	4	4	5	•)	0	0	1	1	3	4
ILL	1	2	3.	4	5	6	C)	0	0	1	2	2	3
ITA	1	2	3	4	5	6	C)	0	O	2	2	2	4
THR	1	2	3	4	5	6	C	•	0	О	0	O	2	2

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Note that on the first table, the top numbers indicate the turn number, while the numbers alongside each nation indicate which space on the AST they had advanced to. On the second table, the top row is the turn number, and the rows for each nation indicate how many cities on the map at the end of the build period (had any cities been reduced, a would be next to the number under the turn in which it was reduced). Turn 7's AST movement comes after the trading period, and the last report I had at this time was stopped at turn 7's trade period, so this is why there are 6 turns in one table and 7 in the other.

The current listing of the Civ numbers:

A1982 - ENVOY (Roy Henricks)
B1982 - same
A1983 - same
B1983 - same
C1983 - same
(!!)
D1983 - ENVOY (Rick Peterson)
A1984et - ENVOY (Roy Henricks)
B1984et - EMPIRE (John Boardman)
C1984et - same

Remember that I am NOT THE CIVILIZATION NUMBER (I like Henricks Number) CUSTODIAN - Roy Henricks (128 Deerfield Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15235) is, so send in your requests for a number, along with those optional \$1 donations, to him. I'm just some guy getting the CIV game records together. Who knows? Maybe somebody'll think up some CIV rating system, start up a Citcon (how about world CONstruction? Bad, I agree), print up some "I like CIVILIZATION" or "CIV players do it for eras" thingies, charge Civtaxes (cops - sorry, Larry), things like that.

Now, what to do with DOM? Dump it? (Would Kathy Byrne dump EVERYTHING?) Make it a subzine in ENVOY every now and then? (Why not? Roy's the CNC, after all...) Keep it in LOM? (Only trouble is, I don't run CIV...at least not now) Make it its own 'zine? (Not big enough, and not enough CIV GMs to make it worthwhile) Anything left? (Can you tell me?)

-WHAT'S-NEXT-THE-DUNE-NUMBERS-THERE'S-A-DUNE-MOVIE-IN-THE-WORKS-THAT-MIGHT-GENERA

WARZ

Where were we? Now I remember....the Linoleum Falcon is surrounded by Imperial Eliminators, Imperial Blasters, and Planet and Linoleum Falcon Busters, amidst talk that Rod Seaparter was planning to become the new Emperor. Anyway, the current Emperor, TS'R Alex I The Voice Of Dim - er, DOCM - is about to give the order - get ready -

here it cames - "Two cheeseburgers with fries, and"
"WHAT?" can be heard from the Yawn Boring ship
"Oh, THAT order....ELIMINATE the Rebels! Oh, and a large Diet Coke, too."
"Stand by for the attack....Blasters in attack and suicide formations....
atomic batteries to power, turbines to speed...."
What's THIE?! I don't believe it! Cathy Cunning managed to fill TWO games! Personally, I'm up to five players. But back to the story....

"What" do you MEAN, they MISSED?"
Excuse me a minute....hold all tickets until the result of this issue has been declared official..... Your attention please: there has been an objection filed against the winner of this battle, the Linoleum Falcon. Hold all tickets while the MIP WARZ stewards review the instant replay and make the decision.

Here's what the tape shows.....the suicide ships intercepted the planet busting shots, deflecting debris onto the Eliminators' shots. The backlash not only eliminated the ships, they spilled the Emperor's diet Coke as well! That's why they objected? OK, replace it with Diet Dr. Pepper - make it extra-large.

THE RESULTS ARE NOW OFFICIAL.... The Linoleum Falkon is the winner; \$2 mutuels pay \$100,000,000,000 to win and \$2.0000001 to place.

So much for this issue, I suppose.....sorry it's a bit late, but one of the players didn't get his issue until late, so the game was delayed. Until next time, remember that the pointy end goes into the other guy.

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