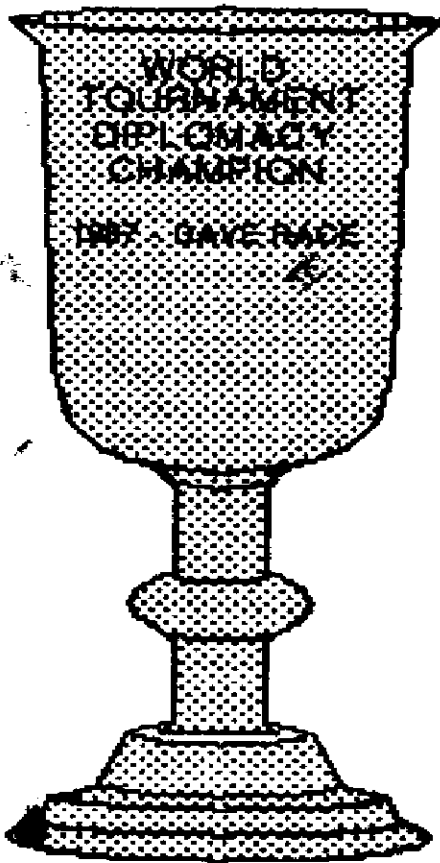


MEETING OF MINDS #15
HEREBY ANNOUNCES THE
1987 IDTR
WORLD TOURNAMENT
DIPLOMACY CHAMPION

DAVE RACE
GREAT BRITAIN



Dave Race, with a first place at Manorcon and a sixth at Midcon, finishes first in the IDTR ratings for 1987, earning the title of 1987 World Tournament Diplomacy Champion with 104.2023 rating points. Midcon champion Jim Mills, with his sixth place at Manorcon, finished second with 100.7974 points. The competition was close; had Jim finished fourth at Manorcon, he would have finished first. Maybe in 1988, Jim - and that goes for the rest of you as well.

Whatever happened to IDHOF?

I didn't see the complete PEERCON results in my DW (I have 48 and 49) - final IDTR standings still await the full PEERCON results

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It's 1988 - a time of "tax cuts", the 25-cent letter, another ten months of your favorite TV shows ending five minutes early for the parties' Paid Political Announcements, and this issue 79 of LIFE OF MONTY, brought to you by Don Del Grande, 142 Eliseo Drive, Greenbrae, CA 94904-1339, phone (415) 461-2692 (the one in issue 78 was wrong), but not after 11 PM (Pacific time - that's GMT minus 8) Sunday through Thursday or before 5 PM Monday through Friday, and *no collect calls*.

MONTY'S NEWS AND COMMENT is brought to you by a handful of science-fiction types who were ready to slap the lawsuits on "Diplomacy Worldcon" for using their copyrighted "Worldcon" name, only to have the Diplomacy tournament named "World Dip Con" (that's *three words*).

At the end of this issue is the ballot for THE LIFERS 1988. However, there are a few awards that didn't make the ballot this year . . .

NICE TRY OF 1987 goes to Robert Sacks, who has pledged \$300 *minus* \$1 for every vote (and \$5 for every vote including one of his 'zines) in the 1988 Runestone Poll to cancer research, in an attempt to prevent people from voting in the RP "because of the Diplomacy Alliance Against Cancer". Too bad that each vote was worth much more than \$1 in 1987, so anybody who voted "just for the Alliance" (if anybody did) is inclined to do so again. (Second place: the USA Eagles national rugby team, which lost to England and Australia in the Rugby World Cup by about 40 points each. They did beat Japan.)

**BIGGEST MYSTERY OF 1987: Who won *Peericon*?
(Close second, until recently: what to call *World Dip Con*)**

TV SPORTS GAFF OF THE YEAR: NOT ABC for the New York Marathon, where the cameras showed the race for second place just as the winner crossed the finish line, but Australia, which only showed the second half of the World Cricket Cup final to a certain chain of pubs that had the exclusive rights to the cable channel showing the match. Apparently, the broadcast stations felt that Australia was not going to be in the final - in which Australia beat England . . .

And now it's time for the 1988 PREDICTIONS:

The USA will win ONE gold medal at the Calgary Winter Olympics. (Best bet: Brian Boitano will defeat Canada's defending world champion Brian Orser in figure skating, mainly on the strength of compulsory figures.) Meanwhile, the big story will be Canada winning the Ice Hockey gold.

The Summer Olympics will be held, and, as usual, the USA will win the gold in Men's Basketball, despite what happened at the Pan-American Games in 1987, as now we know that a decent three-point shooter will make the difference.

George Bush will be elected president. (Well, that's one right . . .) In a *major* surprise, Elizabeth Dole will be VP. (Well, one out of two isn't bad.)

The recent decision that a minor does not have to have the permission of her parents or a judge to get an abortion will be overturned when Judge Kennedy casts the deciding vote in a 5-4 decision upholding a similar law in California.

Although I won't comment on who will win the World Championship at World Dip Con, I do predict that there will be an argument (either at World Dip Con or DIPCON 1989) over whether Marycon or Atlanticon (or possibly Atlanta ORIGINS, which may host DIPCON) will host World Dip Con II in 1990.

1830, TURN 2 - I COULD HAVE BEEN A CONTENDER

Believe it or not, I had the correct answer to the 1830 contest in *The General* two issues ago, but I figured that (a) it was too easy (so there would be a lot of correct answers), and (b) I have already won two contests, so I didn't bother entering. It turns out that only 16 people had correct answers, of which 10 won \$10 merchandise certificates.

Now on to the game. Note that Ron Bottner has 60%, not 70%, of B&O as he cannot own more than five certificates of that corporation.

STOCK ROUND

Ron Bottner: Buy 10% PRR for \$76.

James Goode: Buy 10% C&O for \$82.

Bruce Geryk: NMR

Kirby Garrett: PASS

RB: PASS

JG: Buy 10% C&O for \$82.

BG: NMR

KG: PASS

RB: PASS

JG: Buy 10% C&O for \$82. All of C&O is now in player hands; price goes 1 up to \$82.

BG: NMR

KG: PASS

RB: PASS

JG: PASS

The next stock turn order is Geryk, Garrett, Bottner, Goode.

SPECIAL NOTE: Stock prices will have their location on the stock chart, denoted by (x,y), where x is the row (1 is the top) and y is the column (0 is the column with the par prices). For example, C&O is now at (2,-1).

OPERATIONS ROUND

SV: \$5 to KG

CSL: \$10 to BG

D&H: \$15 to BG

M&H: \$20 to KG

C&A: \$25 to JG

B&O: \$30 to JG

C&O: Place tile 8 in G3/6

Run "2" train CHICAGO-F6 (\$70)

Pay dividends: RB gets \$42, JG gets \$28

Price moves 1 right to \$90 (2,0)

Buy "2" train for \$80; Treasury now \$660

PRR: Place tile 57 in H10/5 (the orders said tile 9, but there is a city in H10, so there must be a city on the tile)

Place token in H10 for \$40; Treasury now \$720

Run "2" train H10-H12 (\$30)

Pay dividends: KG gets \$18, RB gets \$3

Price moves 1 right to \$71 (5,0)

END OF TURN STANDINGS

C&O: President RB (60%), JG (40%)

Token in F6 (base)

Two "2" trains

Treasury is \$660

Stock price \$90 (2,0)

PRR: President KG (60%), RB (10%)

30% available at par price \$76

Token in H12 (base), H10

"2" train

Treasury is \$720

Stock price \$71 (5,0)

All remaining stock is in the bank

TRACK LAID: #8 in G3/6, #8 in G5/5, #57 in H10/5

BOTTNER: \$102 - \$76 + \$42 + \$3 = \$ 71

GARRETT: \$348 + \$25 + \$18 = \$ 391

GERYK: \$540 + \$25 = \$ 565

GOODE: \$310 - \$82 - \$82 - \$82 + \$55 + \$28 = \$ 147

DEADLINE for TURN 3 is FEBRUARY 23

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY 2 - WEEK 6 RESULTS

DEMOCRATS

ALASKA: Dave Anderson, 62.4% (10 delegates); Jake Halverstadt, 21.8% (2); Melinda Ann Holley, 15.8% (2)

HAWAII: Anderson, 53.7% (18); Holley, 24.0% (5); Halverstadt, 22.3% (4)

ILLINOIS: Anderson, 51.7% (128); Halverstadt, 24.2% (33); Holley, 24.1% (33)

MINNESOTA: Halverstadt, 45.9% (54); Anderson, 36.6% (22); Holley, 17.5% (10)

RHODE ISLAND: Anderson, 52.7% (18); Holley, 24.8% (5); Halverstadt, 22.5% (4)

TOTAL DELEGATES - Anderson ~~189~~ 245, Halverstadt 232, Hopcroft 38 ~~65~~

REPUBLICANS

ALASKA: Greg Ellis, 55.0% (13); Stephen Wilcox, 29.9% (4); Cathy Ozog, 15.1% (2)

HAWAII: Ozog, 43.8% (9); Wilcox, 43.7% (4); Ellis, 12.5% (1)

ILLINOIS: Ozog, 48.4% (65); Wilcox, 34.6% (25); Ellis, 17.0% (12)

MINNESOTA: Wilcox, 43.1% (20); Ellis, 41.9% (9); Ozog, 15.0% (3)

RHODE ISLAND: Ellis, 38.0% (8); Wilcox, 36.6% (3); Ozog, 25.4% (2)

TOTAL DELEGATES - Wilcox 197, Ozog 196, Ellis 112

RUMORS: Melinda is running out of funds - and friends - fast after that 0-for-5 showing this week. Cathy's big win in Illinois puts her neck-and-neck with Stephen.

I haven't heard from Don DeLoe for a while. I don't know if that means he has given up on me, or my zine got lost in the move. Anyway, here is the next issue. Hope you enjoy it.

Remember The Doors



The Doors

I was a big Doors fan. I went to college in Virginia, and the Doors were playing in Columbus, Ohio. So, I and three other students drove the 8 plus hours up. The plus became a large plus when the weather went to hell. Oh, well. It was some show. We had a lot of controversy, and a lot of hippies. Anyway, I had a good time, and an experience which I can never have an opportunity at again.

The Doors, for those few who don't know, were a four man band featuring the poetry and vocals of Jim Morrison. Their first album was simply called the Doors, and featured their first hit, Light My Fire. From there came Strange Days, Waiting For The Sun, The Soft Parade, Absolutely Live, 13, Morrison Hotel, LA Woman. Then Jim Morrison died. The band made two albums without Jim Morrison, but they were duds (Other Voices and Full Circle). They also released a double album called Weird Scenes Inside The Goldmine, which was a collection of songs from the other albums plus a song which was released as a flip side of one of their 45's.

The band then faded from the public eye until the movie "Apocalypse Now" used the song "The End" for that one memorable moment. This revived interest in the band enough to cause Elektra to release a live album called Alive She Cried. There was also the album An American Prayer, which is Morrison reading some poetry, interspersed with music by the band. Additionally, there are some collection type albums.

The band made some haunting songs. The images that Jim Morrison's poetry evokes, set to very appropriate music, seem to grab you and not let go. There are pretty songs, like "Crystal Ship" or "Love Street." There are languid songs, like "Summers Almost Gone" or "The Spy." There are uptempo songs like "Five to One" or "Maggie McGill." Some of the songs have a message for us (Breakfast's where the news is read, Television children fed Unborn living, living dead, Bullet Strikes the helmet's head). Some merely bring us images (Wishful, afraid, Water covers everything in blue, Cooling water). Whatever, I am mesmerized by the music. It sounds old, now, I suppose. For the people that have to hear the newest things, they won't be able to find a place in their heads for the Doors. For the rest of you, check them out.

I realize this is a short issue, but I wanted to remind you I am still here. I hope you enjoy this little bit. I will do better next time.

No room for page 1 of SHAMWINE WARFARE - Sorry
Deweed Bower's NEW ADDRESS:
989 MOULTINGVIEW
AKRON, OH 44305

DIPLOMACY "CHESS", SPRING 1903 - What's going on in Munich that makes it so popular?

AUSTRIA (Hopcroft): F Tri-ADR, A VIE S A Tyo,
A Bud-GAL, A TYO S FRENCH A Mun, A Bul-Con
(d/retreat to Gre, Ser, OTB), A Ven S French
A Tus-Rom (d/retreat to Tus, Vie, Pie, OTB),
F Gre-ION

ENGLAND (Dorneman): F Den-KIE, F NTH S A Bel-Hol,
F Bar-NWG, A Bel-HOL, F Ska-DEN

FRANCE (Holley): F Mar-LYO, A BUR S A Mun, A MUN S
ENGLISH F Den-Kie, F Lyo-TYH, A Tus-ROM,
F WES S F Lyo-Tyh

GERMANY (Bottner): F Hol S A Kie (d/retreat to Hel,
OTB), A Kie H (d/retreat to Ruh, OTB)

ITALY (Casey): A Rom-VEN, A APU S A Rom-Ven,
A BER S FRENCH A Mun

RUSSIA (Slaughter): A MOS-Stp, F BLA S TURKISH A
Con-Bul, A NWY-Stp, F SWE H, A BOH S
AUSTRIAN A Tyo-Mun (nso), A Sev-RUM,
F Arm-SEV

TURKEY (Fleischman): A Smy-ANK, A Con-BUL,
F Ank-CON

For those of you trying to adjudicate the Bul/Con conflict, see rule IX.7 in the 1982 rules. F Ank can move to Con despite the "standoff" from A Bul because A Bul was dislodged by an attack from Con itself.

SUMMER 1903 retreats (there are four) and FALL 1903 orders are due by FEBRUARY 26. Press begins on the next page.

(It does if you pull out the FOOLA insert)

THE PEOPLE'S DIPLOMACY ORGANIZATION RELIEF AUCTION PRESENTS

WINTER 1988 PDORA RULES

- 1- Deadline for all bids is Friday, Feb. 12, 1988
- 2- In the case of tied bids and there aren't enough items to cover the bidding, the earliest postmark will win out.
- 3- This will be a 1 round mail order auction. There are numerous items, some of which are offered in "multiple lots". Read the item explanation very carefully before submitting a bid. Bids will be secret until the winners are announced, and at that time you'll be asked to send your pledged bid in. Once you've placed a successful bid, you are obliged to accept the item and its costs.
- 4- You may make your bids conditional upon \$\$ spent, therefore it is suggested that you place your bid in preferential order if using conditionals. Other type of conditional bids will not be accepted the regular bids accompanying illegal conditions will be accepted.
- 5- Simply list the items you wish to bid for and how much. (Example- A-001 \$5. If you're the high bidder, you'll win a 10 issue sub to KK/W.) If the item has a postage cost, do not include it in your bid. Submit only a direct bid for the item. You'll be billed for the postage cost later, if you win the item. (It'll be included in your final owed total.)
- 6- All items are postage paid by the donator unless stated otherwise.
- 7- All winners will be notified with a request for their payment, including any postage costs. After receiving payment, all donators will be notified to whom they should send the appropriate items. Postage money will also be forwarded by the administrators to the donator at this time.
- 8- All donations received will go to hobby services as determined by the 5 member financial committee. Neither Simon or I, or anyone on the committee is entitled to any money, including reimbursement for flyers or postage costs affiliated with the auction.
- 9- All input is welcomed. We are striving to make this, your auction, a smashing success, year after year.
- 10- Additional catalogues can be obtained by sending a SASE to John Caruso.
- 11- All bids should be mailed to John Caruso.
- 12- John Caruso 29-10 164St Flushing, NY. 11358
Simon Billenness 630 Victory Blvd Apt 6F Staten Island, NY, 10301
- 13- Good luck and everyone have a good time.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE PDORA WINTER 1988

Steve Arnawoodian, Andy Lischett, Alan Stewart, Bill Quinn, Steve Langley

ITEM#	DESCRIPTION	MINIMUM BID
A-001	A 10 issue sub to <u>KK/W.</u> \$10 value (Kathy & John's zine)	\$2
A-002	A 5 issue sub to <u>Ohio Acres</u>	\$1
A-003	A 2 year sub to <u>Not Up To Modern Graphics Standards.</u> \$12 value.	\$3
A-004	A 1 year sub to <u>Rebel</u> , 10 issues. \$5 value.	\$2
A-005	A 10 issue sub to <u>Diplomacy Digest.</u> \$5 value. Current subbers not eligible.	\$2
A-006	A years sub to <u>The Yorkshire Gallant</u> a Brit zine by Mark Nelson.	
A-007	A years sub to <u>ECU</u> , 10 issues. \$5 value. (Simon's zine)	
B-001	THE GENERAL 6 issues (Vol 13 5-6, Vol 14 1-4) \$9 value. Add \$1 postage	
B-002	THE GENERAL 12 issues (May 82-April 84) \$31 value. Add \$2 postage.	
B-003	THE GENERAL 6 issues (Vol 13 3-6, Vol 14 1-2) \$9 value	
B-004	LITTLE WARS- a wargaming zine from the mid 70's by TSR. 4 issues #1-3,5	
B-005	DIPLOMACY HANDBOOK 1974- the pubbers handbook. Many articles.	
B-006	DIPLOMACY HANDBOOK 1975- more articles on diplomacy.	
B-007	Autographed copy of BIMBOS OF THE DEATH SUN by Sharyn McGrumb.	
B-008	25lots- 1986-1987 BLACK AND BLUE BOOK by Larry Peery. Add \$1 postage.	

ITEM#	DESCRIPTION	MINIMUM BID
B-009	1 set of 4 DIPLOMACY WORLD ANTHOLOGY Vol 1-4. Articles from previous DW's. Add \$5 postage.	\$40
B-010	DIPLOMACY WORLD ANTHOLOGY Vol I. Add \$1 postage.	\$10
B-011	DIPLOMACY WORLD ANTHOLOGY Vol II. Add \$1 postage.	\$10
B-012	DIPLOMACY WORLD ANTHOLOGY Vol III. Add \$1 postage.	\$10
B-013	DIPLOMACY WORLD ANTHOLOGY Vol IV. Add \$1 postage.	\$10
B-014	A copy of Larry Peery's AN INTRODUCTION TO THE STRATEGY AND TACTICS OF POSTAL DIPLOMACY (c1977) 376pp hardback edition. Add \$5 postage.	\$35
C-001	The lone sock Bobby-Baby (Greier) was wearing when the Reds beat the Red Sox, Game 7, 1975 World Series.	\$1
C-002	Amanda Byrne's very 1st T-shirt from Mercy Hospital.	
D-001	2 lbs fudge shipped to US only. \$4 value. Postage will be billed.	
D-002	5 lots of "Anderson For President" buttons.	
D-003	Champagne cork and wine from the bottle of champagne awarded to the 1987 British National Diplomacy Champion- Jim Mills.	
F-001	A fake issue of a zine of your choice.	\$10
G-001	WORLDS OF WONDER- 3 interchangeable role playing games from Chaosium (the Call Of The Cthulhu people). Includes the 1st edition of SUPERWORLD. Now out of print. All in good condition. \$4	
G-002	CONQUISTADOR from AH. Unopened. Will be sent COD from Tn for postage.	
G-003	WHO CAN BEAT NIXON printed in 1970. A Presidential election game with event and media cards granting and taking away money and points. Blank cards also included (some already filled in with Fred Davis' inimitable prose). 2-8 players.	\$7
G-004	LANDWEHR- Fred Davis' ancient boardgame from the 1960's. Rules allow for designing your own board. Must furnish your own pieces from Risk, Bingo, etc. The board is simple squares, so graph paper would suffice. 2 player game.	\$1.50
G-005	THE STOCK MARKET GAME- some pieces missing but still playable.	
G-006	THE LAST STARFIGHTER GAME- unpunched counters.	
G-007	D-DAY 1965ed (#508) Includes 3 pads of PBM forms. \$3 postage	\$20
G-008	GUADALCANAL 1966ed. Add \$3 postage	\$40
G-009	STALINGRAD 1963ed (#518). Add \$3 postage	\$20
G-010	BLITZKRIEG 1965ed (#700). Add \$3 postage	\$14
G-011	BATTLE OF THE BULGE 1965Ed (#602). Includes 3 PBM pads of forms. Add \$3 postage.	\$14
G-012	FOOTBALL 1962ed (#515). Add \$3 postage	\$20
G-013	AFRIKA KORPS 1964ed (#600). Add \$3 postage.	\$12
G-014	MAGIC REALM 1979ed (#717). Add \$3 postage.	\$12
H-001	An infamous "Kathy" Historical Hobby Placemat. alleged 2¢ value.	\$1
H-002	Famous Historical Document- A Conrad Minshall postcard.	\$1
H-003	Historical triple issue of DD (#100-102)	\$1
M-001	An assorted variety of foreign coins.	\$2
M-002	8 piece set of felt tipped pens- asst'd colors.	
M-003	Comprehensive personally crafted horoscope done by Melinda Holley. (Date, time and place of birth needed for full details)	
M-004	A set of Blueberry briars (aka Greasers Briars). These thorny devils can be yours for a modest pledge.	
M-005	Stamps. Domestic commemorative and foreign stamps. Add \$1 postage.	
M-006	PEERICON VIII (July 30/31, 1988) Includes admission, accomodations, eats, etc.	

ITEM#	DESCRIPTION	MINIMUM BID
S-001	Kathy Caruso souvenir package includes NY Met schedules, Met calendar, bumper sticker, profile of Kathy and more.	
S-002	Don Del Grande souvenir package includes THE GENERAL Vol 23 #2 with a DDC letter to the editor in it.	\$2
S-003	Silhouettes of 33 ships, top view, 1"x6" mounted on formica sheet. #W11 ships from Japan, US, Germany, more. \$3 postage.	\$12
V-001	VHS Video of Pacific University production of ROMEO AND JULIET featuring Michael Hopcroft as Friar Lawrence. Very weird production, set post-holocaust.	\$5
V-002	VHS Video of Pac.Univ. prod of Gilbert & Sullivans PATIENCE, featuring K Hopcroft as Banthorne. Less weird than R&J.	\$5
Z-001	A complete set of NOT NEW YORK	
Z-002	A variety of European zines.	\$5
Z-003	Set of 10 asst'd KK/W (#110-127)\$10 value.	\$3
Z-004	1983-1984 Dipdom Census- compiled by Dick Martin. Collectors item.	
Z-005	ZINE DIRECTORY #1 (By Mike Mills) and ZINE REGISTER #3-8 from Roy Henricks thru Simon Billenness. \$10 value.	\$2
Z-006	ONCE UPON A DEALINE \$3 value.	
Z-007	DIPLOMACY WORLD 24-27 (Winter 79-Winter 80) from Jerry Jones.	
Z-008	Set of 14 asst'd KK/W from issues 71-96. \$15 value.	\$3
Z-009	Yet another issue of GAMESMAN #9, last issue by late Don Miller. 64 pages- items includes chess dip other games.	\$3
Z-010	THE SPACE GAMER issues #2,3,6-9,11,13,14,20,22,23	
Z-011	DIPLOMACY WORLD 10 asst'd back issues (DWs choice). \$5 postage.	\$25
Z-012	10 lots of 1DIPLOMACY WORLD back issue (DWs choice) \$1 post.	\$2.50

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PDORA WINTER 1988 OFFICIAL FORM

- 1- If you could designate your PDORA donation, to which services would you give money? (abbreviations are OK)
- 2- Should we allow bidders the option to have their money go to the services of their choice? (Yes or no)
- 3- Should the shares the bidders decide upon be equal shares or should we allow the bidders to decide what % to each service?
- 4- Should we have an auction every year or every other year?
- 5- Are there any improvements or ideas that you have that you'd like to see the PDORA people undertake? Any suggestions at all are welcome.

NAME _____

DATE _____



AUSTRIA: Foreign Minister Kurt von Schlippehoff was amazed to find a Turkish emissary cowering in his office. "Do not trust Russia!" said the Emissary. "Aid him and he will destroy you! You must listen to me!"

"Why must I?" asked the startled Minister.

"Because if you don't, the moon will explode in Fall 1903!"

But the Minister did not believe him, so the Turkish dog was taken to the Turkish Dog Pound in Transylvania, filled to the brim with cowardly, surrendering war prisoners.

AUSTRIA-RUSSIA: I have not forgotten your promises. The communication failure which delayed the fall of Turkey has now been rectified. Write me a letter and we will see what to do next, Kamerad!

AUSTRIA-FRANCE: Slight breakdown in communications there, but everything should be in order. From experience I have learned it is difficult to bring Italy down without help.

AUSTRIA-WORLD: Has everybody lost my address or something? WRITE!

TURKEY: Is the Turk a turkey? You'll find out when I do...

GERMANY-BERLIN: What do you gain by retreating to Berlin? Nothing. You'll never keep it and the army there is of no use to you. Maybe a footnote in history.

KINGMAKER "ME AND MY GAL", TURN 19 - Another one bites the castle floor

STANLEY'S STEAMERS (Anderson)

STANLEY, NEVILLE (Salisbury) - h38 - Wallingford (g)

TALBOT, GREY (St. Albans) - Wallingford (g)

Le MARGARET (Maldon)-s26-s24-s20-Chichester

Le CHICHESTER (Dartmouth)-s16-s18-s20-Chichester

UNNAMED #1 (Beck)

CROMWELL, ROOS, HOWARD (Eccleshall)-h4-Warwick-h22-Oxford-Wallingford(g)

COURTENAY (Pevensy)-h55-Black Heath-h39-Farmham-Wallingford (g)

(Beck continued)

MOWBRAY (St. Albans)-Wallingford(g)

Le GEORGE (Pevensey)-s24-s22-s20-Chichester

Le TRINITY (Preston)-s3-s5-s7-s9-Milford Haven

UNNAMED #2 (Garrett)

BOURCHIER, BEAUFORT, HERBERT, SCROPE, and
PLANTAGENET-LANCASTER remain in Wallingford

STAFFORD remains in Leeds

Le MICHAEL remains in Milford Haven

WHITE DUCHESS (Ozog)

BERKELEY remains in Salisbury

POLE, HASTINGS, PERCY, GREYSTOKE, and
PLANTAGENET-YORK (Shrewsbury(g))-h11-h20-
h26-h28

HOLLAND (h11)-h20-h26-h28

COMBAT: Stanley, Talbot, Grey, Neville, and Mowbray
siege Wallingford (although 380 are in Wallingford, for
some reason, only 300 can add to the 200 garrison). The
siege succeeds (ROYAL HEIR ESCAPES 4-1), and
Stanley, Talbot, and Grey enter Wallingford, with Stanley
taking Margaret. Plantagenet-Lancaster is now controlled
by Anderson's Assassins; Bouchier, Beaufort, Herbert,
and Scrope are prisoners. If Garrett NMRs, his troops are
executed, and Flemish Crossbowmen go to one of
Anderson's nobles. (Earl of Wiltshire and Constable of the
Tower would go to Chancery; the nobles would go to the
Crown Deck.)

There is one crown card: it goes to Anderson.

TURN 19 CROWN CARD:

TURN 20 EVENTS: VACILLATING NOBLE (Talbot may
not move/attack); PEASANT REVOLT (Stafford to Leeds,
Berkeley to Rochester, Neville to Black Heath); PLAGUE
PLYMOUTH/EXETER; REVOLT IN WALES (Talbot to
Ludlow, Plantagenet-York to Stokestay); PLAGUE
COLCHESTER/IPSWICH; FREE MOVE (discarded).

DEADLINE for TURN 20 is FEBRUARY 25. Here's press from the White Duchess:

IN A FIELD OUTSIDE TEWKSBURY: Edward saw Edmond in the distance. He ran to his brother. "So how are things in Ireland?"

"Awful as usual," Edmond replied. "I heard you killed George."

"Yes, I always hated that bastard."

"There's only you and me left now."

"No, there is one more. Care to help me hunt her?"

"How can I refuse?"

KINGMAKER "MY FAIR LADY", TURN 4 - Not much action out there

NOTE: David Coufal has resigned. His nobles and two royal heirs will remain in Rotherham unless moved by events. Mowbray controls Henry; Bouchier controls Margaret. If anybody sends in orders for these nobles, they will take over the position. (The nobles are Beaufort, Howard, and Berkeley; all are in Rotherham.)

ORDER OF THE CUMBRIAN KNIGHTS (Fleischman)
TALBOT and HASTINGS (Salisbury)-h37-h32-h29-
Oxford(g)

THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY - see above

RED DUCHESS (Ozog)
CLIFFORD (m30)-m36-Newcastle-Shrewsbury-Stokestay-
w21

ANDERSON'S ASSASSINS (Anderson)
BEAUFORT, HOWARD, and BERKELEY (Rotherham)-
Conisboro-m35-Towton-Wressle-Ravenser

LUNATIC LION LORDS (Hopcroft)

POLE remains at Caister

FITZALAN remains at Chichester

COMBAT: Talbot sieges Oxford. The siege succeeds (PLAGUE COLCHESTER/IPSWICH 4-1), but nobody enters Oxford.

TURN 3 CROWN CARD:

TURN 4 EVENTS: non-event to Fleischman; PLAGUE NORWICH/LYNN; REVOLT IN WALES (Mowbray to Denbigh, Fitzalan to Chirk, Pole to Rhuddlan); REVOLT IN WALES (Talbot to Ludlow); STORMS AT SEA; MUTINY (Le Michael - no effect).

DEADLINE for TURN 4 is FEBRUARY 25.

TIMEWARP

**didn't make it in time for this issue.
It will be mailed to the players and
(room permitting) be included in issue
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THE LIFERS 1988 THE LIFERS

Yes, it's that time of year again - time to (finally) toss out your Christmas tree, break all of those New Year's Resolutions you've made, and vote in THE LIFERS. Unlike certain other polls, THE LIFERS has never been controversial; yes, *everybody* ignores it.

And here are THE RULES:

1. No more than one ballot per person may be cast. (If a person casts more than one ballot, all ballots cast by that person are void.) In order to be valid, a ballot must be signed by the person casting the vote and must arrive by the deadline date. There is no minimum number of voted categories, nor need any category have the maximum number of names to be valid.
2. For each category, there are five numbered spaces. Space number one is for the item which the voter feels best fits the category; space number two for the second best, and so on through five. For example, in "Best Letter Column," space one is for *the best* letter column, space two is for *the second best* letter column, and so on.
3. Not all spaces need be filled in any category; in fact, some categories may be left blank. However, within any category, votes will be moved up to fill any lower-numbered blank spaces. For example, if a voter fills in spaces one, three, and four, but leaves two (and five) blank, then the item in space three will be moved to space two, and the item in space four moved up to space three.

4. The winner in each category is determined by awarding 15 points for each number-one space vote, 10 for each number-two space vote, then 6, 3, and 1. Ties will be broken by most number-one space votes, then number-two space votes, and so on. If the tie cannot be broken, the tied items will be joint titlists.
5. If a category receives less than five ballots, or no item appears on at least three ballots, no titlist will be named.

6. *SPECIAL RULES FOR TRUE HOBBY MASTERS CATEGORY:* The "True Hobby Masters Society" has one member - Kathy Caruso. Since she is already a member, she cannot be elected into the society, and any votes for her will not be counted (*EXCEPTION:* if her name appears alone, it will be treated as a vote of "none").

As many names as a voter wishes may be entered in the "true hobby masters" section of the ballot. If a voter does not want anyone added to the True Hobby Masters Society this year, the voter should enter "none" on the ballot; leaving it blank will mean that it is not counted.

If a majority of the ballots are marked "none", or no one is on at least 20 percent of the ballots, no one will be added to the True Hobby Master Society. Otherwise, the person (or persons, in case of a tie) receiving the most votes will be inducted into the Society.

7. ALL VOTES MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 1, 1988.

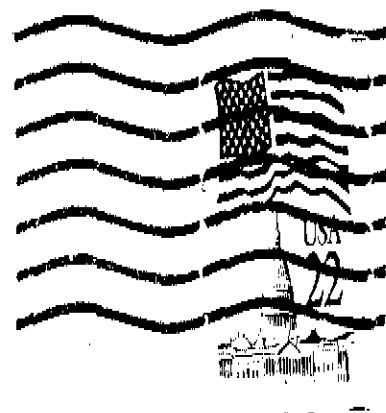
THE LIFERS - 1988 BALLOT

INSTRUCTIONS: For each of the categories in which you want to vote, put your first choice in the first space below the category name, your second choice (if you have one) in the second space below the name, and so on. You may vote from zero to five items per category, except in the True Hobby Masters Society, where you may include as many (or as few) names as desired. (If you do not want to include any new members into the Society, put "None" in the space; if ~~you~~ don't care, leave it blank. Currently, Kathy Caruso is the only member.)

HOBBY GENIUS	MOST IMPROVED 'ZINE	BEST 'ZINE FOR HOBBY NEWS
BEST LETTER COLUMN	HARDEST COUNTRY TO PLAY IN DIP	BEST GAME OTHER THAN DIP OR VARIANTS
BIGGEST HOBBY PERSONALITY	TRUE HOBBY MASTERS SOCIETY	

MAIL BALLOTS TO: Don Del Grande, 142 Eliseo Drive, Greenbrae, CA 94904-1339. Ballots must be received by May 1.

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