

Maniac's Paradise

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You know it's getting close to Christmas when the local USPS employee hand-delivers your mail to your door instead of leaving it in the mailbox, plus he's three hours earlier than usual, plus he has no IRS registered letter for you to sign for. With a song in his heart and a smile on his face, he hands me the mail, laughing "Good morning" and waving as he turns and heads for the elevator. Is he like this all year? Nahh, the rest of the time a package marked "Do Not Fold or Bend" in thirteen different spots would be stomped on and bent into a paper airplane before it gets to you. Here's a dead giveaway: did you get the whole issue of Maniac's Paradise this month, or just the back page? The whole thing? Not just one sheet with 85 cents worth of stamps on it? Then it must be Christmas season, or as I call it "The Month of Greed."

So, we're back with another issue of drivel, political whining, incorrectly marked maps, poorly GM'd games, and misinformation. Yep, that's what you get from Maniac's Paradise. Oh yeah, that and a staple (re-usable if you bend it right). So why do you bother? Are you actually reading this? Hah, you must be joking! Anyways, I'm Douglas Kent [54 West Cherry St, #211, Rahway, NJ 07065]. You can call me at 201-815-0361 evenings between 5pm and 9pm (NEVER later), or at work from 7am-3pm 212-432-9824. Modem number is 212-432-1992, 24 hours, 300-9600 bps via USR HST. But enough about me, let's talk about me!

MP News: A few items of interest. Our Woolworth II game has been filled, and announces a gamestart this issue. There are still openings in Diplomacy. I've decided to play along in The Stock Market Game, which will announce a gamestart next issue whether or not anyone else signs up. Plus, I've opened two new choices: a second game of Kremlin (\$5 gamefee) and a game of Youngstown IV (also a \$5 gamefee). Let me know if you are interested in any of these games.

Standbys: Please let me know if you wish to be a standby for anything. As a rule of thumb, if you see an NMR anywhere, you can send in moves for that game. If the player fails to re-appear, you get the position (and the 3 free issues all standby players get as a reward).

Well, I guess that's it for now. Send your moves out early, as the next deadline is:

January 2, 1990

Don't Miss It !

Game Openings

The Stock Market Game:

Description: PBM Stock Market, I'll start it next month either way.
Players Signed Up: Stimmel, McCrumb, me, need one to three more.

Diplomacy:

Description: Standard Dip, \$5 gamefee. Might allow black press if players want it.
Players Signed Up: Diehl..need six more to fill it.

Kremlin II

Description: Our second game of PBM Kremlin, \$5 gamefee.
Players Signed Up: None, need four to six to start it.

Youngstown IV:

Description: An expanded 10-player Dip variant, I'll send rules on request to anyone who needs them. \$5 gamefee but I won't be printing maps in the zine for this game.
Players Signed Up: None, we need 10 to fill this one.

Notes to Players: See page 14!

Diplomacy 1, First Born, 1989AL, W '03/S '04



Austria (Diehl): A Boh-Sil, A Tyr-Boh, F Aeg-Con, A Rum-Ukr, A Gal S A Rum-Ukr, A Ser-Rum.

England (Shulman): F Hel-Den, F Hol-Hel, A Bel-Ruh, A Edi-Bel, F Nth C A Edi-Bel, F Eng-MAO, A Kie S Ger. A Sil-Mun.

France (Cho): Bld F Bre, A Par., F Bre-MAO, A Par-Bur, F Por S A Spa, A Spa S A Mar, A Mar S A Par-Bur (Dis-ret Gas, OTB).

Germany (Erikson): A Sil-Mun, A Pru-Ber, F Nwy-Nwg.

Italy (Oaklyn): A Tus-Mar, F Lyo C A Tus-Mar, A Pie S A Tus-Mar, F Wme-Spa(sc), A Rom-Edi (Imp, NSU).

Russia (Banozic): A War-Gal, A Ukr S A War-Gal, A Sev-Rum, F Swe H, F Bla-Con, F Ank S F Bla-Con.

Turkey (Holley): A Bul S Aust. A Ser-Rum, A Smy S Aust. F Aeg-Con, F Con-Bla.

PRESS

England - Germany: All right, so I didn't get Berlin yet. I will get it. However, good luck anyway.

England - France/Austria/Turkey: Will you please eliminate the Italian motormouth. His meandering worthless comments from across the globe accomplish nothing but irritation to the rest of the world.

Russia - Turkey: Diehl has told me what he plans to do to you after Russia is out of the way. I won't go into all the gory details here, but suffice to say, he's not cleaning up that old hockey mask for nothing.

Austria - Europa: This is all getting too complex for me.

Austria - Russia: Vendetta? May we remind the Tsar that: #1 Russian troops violated the Autro-Russian DMZ of Gal. #2 Not content with above #1, the Tsar shamelessly captured Budapest.

Berlin - Vienna: Now that you've secured the province of Bohemia are you going to support an invasion against the Reich?

Munchen: Once again der Bayerisch Landwehr rushed back from their positions on the eastern front to defend their homeland.

Berlin - Moscow & Constantinople: Okay, I'll be the impartial party which will help to resolve your petty war. Russia you let the Austrians bounce F Ank out so they get their homeland back and you can retreat to box. And you Melinda, you help Russia capture Rumania. Now both shake hands, be friends and kick Austria's ass!!!

Reggio Calabria, somewhere in Apulia: Just wanted to let you all know that too much pain and a large writing assignment has reduced the flow of letters from Conaty Circle for a period of time now. Back in the saddle as it were. (Gee, I hope that does not unnecessarily excite Melinda).

Firenze, somewhere in Tuscany: A Trickle of water flowed over icy lands where temperatures soared to zero degrees Kelvin to overheat the vegetation that flourished throughout that bleak land. (This must send Art's nerves slithering up the walls.) The molten avalanche that followed scorched Austrian temples, and froze Turkish hash hish. Turkish olive trees cohabitated with Italian olive trees, now growing rampid in Vienna, causing a garlic flavored fruit to be available for hash chewers to use as a hash enhancer. "But, will all that news assist the Austrian in finally taking Sevastpool?" torted a dirty ole man while scratching various places in his britches. "Surely that see that an supportive attack on Sevastpol from Armenia and a move from Rumania into Sevastpol, this supplemented by a move from Galacia to Ukrania would bring the instant destruction of Sevastpol." "Shucks, man, you let the cat out of the bag!" snorted an young girl. "Now, Russia will guard against this move and the standstill will still be standing still." With the desired results now obtained, this writer snickers and heads for the bank.

Genova, somewhere in the Piedmont Mountains: Oh, come on, Larry. Don't run home, hide in the closet, and suckle your own thumb. If you can take the pressure, though, best stay in that closet. Marseilles is mine, Larry. Though you might make note of all that. Where to from there...who knows. Maybe Paris, maybe Munich, maybe Moscow, maybe London, maybe Constantinople. Just checking to see if I can worry someone out there. Might even get some mail in response.

Diplomacy 2, Nudge Nudge, 1989AZ, Fall '03



Austria (Obrien): F Gre S Ital. F Ion-Aeg(NSO), A Ser S A Tri(Dis-ret Alb,OTB),
A Tri S Ital. A Tyr-Vie(NSO).

England (Cho): Ret F Eng-Lon..F Lon S F Nth,F Nth C A Yor-Nwy,A Yor-Nwy,
 A Lpl H.

France (Taylor): F MAO-Spa(sc),F Iri S F Eng,F Eng S A Bur-Bel,A Bur-Bel,A Spa-Mar.

Germany (Diehl): F Nwy S F Den-Nth(Dis-ret Nwg,Bar,Ska,OTB),F Den-Nth,F Bal-Swe,
A Bel S A Kie-Hol(Dis-ret Pic,OTB),A Ber-Mun,A Mun-Ruh,A Kie-Hol.

Italy (Farha): A Pie-Ven,A Tyr S A Pie-Ven,F Ion-Adr,F Wme-Tyn.

Russia (Stanger): F StP(nc) S Engl. A Yor-Nwy,A Lva H,A Gal-Bud,A Bud-Ser,
 A Vie S A Gal-Bud,F Rum S Turk. A Bul.

Turkey (Boymel): A Bul S Rus. A Bud-Ser,A Smy-Con,F Aeg-Eme,F Con-Aeg.

PRESS

Germany - Turkey: You can poke fun at my nether regions, but leave my lovely stationery alone.

Germany - Russia & England: I hope you popped me out of Norway or Turkey will vent his spleen on both of you.

Germany - Europa: Merry Christmas to friends, foes, and neutrals.

Serbia - Armenia: I am no longer missing in action; correction, I never was - just PUI - playing under the influence. Now that I see the mess I've gotten myself in, it hardly matters so I may as well disembark from this wagon.

Turkey - Russia: If you screw me, you're dead.

Paris - London: I guess it wasn't meant to be.

Supply Center Chart

Austria	Tri, Gre=2	Rem 1
England	Edi, Lon, Lvp, Nwy=4	Even
France	Par, Mar, Bre, Spa, Por, Bel=6	Build 1
Germany	Kie, Ber, Mun, Den, Hol, Swe=6	Remove 1
Italy	Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun=4	Even
Russia	StP, Mos, War, Sev, Rum, Ser, Bud, Vie=8	Build 2
Turkey	Con, Ank, Smy, Bul=4	Even

Diplomacy 3, Dagwood, 1989HW, Fall '02



Austria (Carlberg): ret A Gal-Bud..A Tyr-Vie, A Bud-Vie, F Tri-Ven, A Ser S F Gre, F Gre S Turk. F Aeg-Ion.

England (Behrendt): F Nth S Germ. F Bel, F Ska-Swe, A Nwy-StP, F Bar S A Nwy-StP.

France (Chinnery): A Pic-Bel, A Bur S A Pic-Bel, A Mar S A Bur, A Spa H, F MAO-Eng.

Germany (Slaughter): F Bel H, A Ruh S A Mun, A Den S Engl. F Ska-Swe, A Mun H, A Ber S A Mun.

Italy (Diehl): A Tun U, F Tyn S F Ion, F Ion S F Tyn (Dis-ret Nap, Apu, Adr, Alb, OTB), A Boh S Aust. A Tyr-Vie.

Russia (McClung): A StP-Nwy, A Fin S A StP-Nwy, F Rum H, A Gal-Bud, A War-Gal

F Swe S A StP-Nwy(Dis-ret Bal,GoB,OTB).

Turkey (Oaklyn): F Aeg-Ion,F Eme S F Aeg-Ion,A Bul S Rus. F Rum,A Con S A Bul.

PRESS

Rome - Moscow: Perhaps your assessment is correct. We shall see. However, it may be that some are merely slow learners, not congenitally, permanently incredulous.

Rome - Constantinople: Is shore leave possible? If not, it will be an unproductive, sorry 1903 for the Sultan.

Rome - Vienna: Your "V" for your troops, my "V" for mine.

Berlin - Paris: I agree, that was not a wimpy move...good shot. I believe you do understand this game!

Trabzon, on the Black Sea, somewhere in Ankara: Now, now, Chimney Chinchinery, that is the English Channel (got that word, English) that ypu have your eye on.

Antioch, on the southern coast of Smyrna: Alotania has spoken its concerns about Turkish women visiting them and putting their women to shame. This is an affront against the Sultanness, His Very Highlessness Himself. We will visit and put your women to shame.

Eskisehir, near central Constantinople: Let's see now, there are two on Sweden, or is it three; two on St. Petersburg, two on Denmark, and three on Norway. Wow! Maybe the English will have the good sense to wait and hold with full support while seeing the Russian thinking, and maybe even guarding the English Channel.

Vienna - Moscow: Bruce, you've already lied to me about six too many times.

England - World: My silence in replying to your letters can be attributed to 3 factors. 1) I am attending college, and just completed a mid-semester crisis (tests + papers) from which I emerged unscathed. 2) I have a job. 3) I have a family. If you think I was silent then, wait until finals week beginning 11 Dec - 15 Dec. After that I will be coresponding more frequently.

Paris - Berlin: Compare Tolkien to Morris? Where in the hell did you get that idea? I suggest you put some glasses on before you read the press. I simply said that I enjoyed Morris' books. I in no way implied that Morris was as good as Tolkien. In fact, I said Tolkien "...was, and still is, the best fantasy ever written...". Jeez, next time I'll put a little footnote for you; something like "Explanations for people who have a difficult time comprehending what they read."

France - England: A little more communication please.

Paris - Moscow: A counter-offer please or some sort of agreement (quid pro quo).

Paris - England/Russia: Are you two going to kiss and make up?

Supply Center Chart

Austria	Vie,Tri,Bud,Ser,Gre,Ven=6	Build 1
England	Lon,Edi,Lpl,Nwy,Swe=5	Build 1
France	Par,Bre,Mar,Spa,Por=5	Even
Germany	Ber,Kie,Mun,Den,Hol,Bel=6	Build 1
Italy	Rom,Nap,Tun=3	Remove 1
Russia	StP,War,Mos,Sev,Rum=5	Remove 1
Turkey	Con,Ank,Smy,Bul=4	Even

Diplomacy 4, Saturday Night, 1989 ID, W 01/S 02



Austria (Carlberg): Bld A Tri,A Vie..A Ser-Bul,F Gre S A Ser-Bul,A Bud S A Tri,
A Tri S A Bud,A Vie-Gal.

England (Shulman): Bld F Edi..A Yor-Nwy,F Nth C A Yor-Nwy,F Nwy-Bar,F Edi-Nwg.

France (Reiff): Bld F Bre,F Mar..F Por-Spa(sc),F Bre-MAO,A Spa-Mar,F Mar-Lyo,
A Pic-Bur.

Germany (Behrendt): Bld A Mun,F Ber..A Hol S A Lpl-Bel(NSO),A Kie-Ber,F Ber-Bal,
A Mun H,F Den S F Ber-Bal.

Italy (Johnson): A Ven S A Tyr,A Tyr S A Ven,F Ion S Aus. F Gre-Aeg(NSO).

Russia (Murray): Bld F Sev..F Arm-Bla,F Sev S F Arm-Bla,A Ukr-War,F GoB-Swe,
A Rum S Aus. F Gre-Bul(NSO).

Turkey (Siegel): Bld F Ank..F Ank S F Bla,F Bla C A Con-Rum,A Con-Rum,
A Bul S A Con-Rum(Unit Destroyed).

PRESS

Moscow - Berlin: Why didn't we talk earlier? There is always room for negotiations. Did I do something to make you upset?

France - Germany: Hello, anyone still there?

Germany - World: My silence in replying to your letters can be attributed to 3 factors. 1) I am attending college, and just completed a mid-semester crisis (tests + papers) from which I emerged unscathed. 2) I have a job. 3) I have a family. If you think I was silent then, wait until finals week beginning 11 Dec - 15 Dec. After that I will be coresponding more frequently.

Vienna - Constantinople: Okay, now will you answer my letters?

Gunboat 1, In Control, 1989 Yrb32, W 03/S 04



Austria: Ret A Bud-Gal, rem A Tri..F Gre S Tur. F Eme-Ion(Dis-ret Alb,OTB),
A Gal-Boh, A Vie S Tur. A Bud-Tri(NSO).

England: F NAO-Nwg, F Edi-Nth, F Lon S F Edi-Nth, A Nwy-Swe(Unit Destroyed).

France: F MAO-Eng, A Bre-Pic, A Gas-Bur, A Spa-Mar.

Germany: A Lva-StP, F Nth-Nwy, A Swe S F Nth-Nwy, A Bel-Pic, A Bur-Mar, F Den-Hel,
A Mun-Boh.

Italy: A Tyr S A Alb-Tri, A Ven S A Alb-Tri, A Alb-Tri, F Ion H, F Tun S F Ion.

Russia: A War S A Mos, A Mos S A War, F Fin-StP.

Turkey: Bld A Con, A Smy..A Con-Gre, F Aeg C A Con-Gre, A Ser S A Con-Gre,
F Bul(ec) S A Con-Gre(Imp), A Bud S A Ser, A Smy H, A Sev H, F Eme-Ion.

Gunboat 2, Pork Bellies, 1989 AJrb32, Fall 03



Austria: Ret F Gre-Ion..F Ion-Gre,A Rum-Bul(Dis-ret Bud,OTB),A Ser S A Rum-Bul, A Tri-Alb,A Vie-Gal.

England: A Yor H,A Nwy-Fin,A Mos H,F StP(nc)-Nwy,F Nth-Den,F Eng-Nth.

France: A Pie-Ven,A Mar-Spa,F Por-MAO,A Pic-Bre,A Bur-Mun.

Germany: A Mun H,F Den-Swe,A Bel H,A Ruh S A Bel,A Sil-War,A Pru S A Sil-War.

Italy: Ret A Pie-Ven..A Ven S A Tyr-Tri,A Tyr-Tri,F MAO-Bre,F Tyn-Tun.

Russia: A Gal-War,A Ukr S A Gal-War,F Sev S F Bla-Rum,F Bla-Rum.

Turkey: A Bul-Ser,A Gre S A Bul-Ser,F Aeg-Bul,F Ank-Con.

Supply Center Chart

Austria	Vie,Bud,Ser=3	Remove 2
England	Lon,Edi,Lpl,Nwy,Den,Mos,StP=7	Build 1
France	Bre,Par,Mar,Spa,Por=5	Even
Germany	Ber,Kie,Mun,Bel,Hol,Swe=6	Even
Italy	Ven,Rom,Nap,Tun,Tri=5	Build 1
Russia	War,Sev,Rum=3	Remove 1
Turkey	Con,Ank,Smy,Bul,Gre=5	Build 1

Gunboat 3, Polyester, 1989 AKrb32, Fall 02



Austria: A Vie S A Tri, A Tri S A Vie, A Ser S F Alb-Gre, F Alb-Gre.
England: A Lpl-Lon, F Nth S F Nwg-Nwy, F Nwg-Nwy, F Nwy-StP(nc).
France: NMR! A Bel ret OTB, F Eng, F MAO, A Por, F Spa(sc) all hold.
Germany: A Mun-Bur, A Sil-Mun, A Bel S A Hol, A Hol S A Bel, F Swe H.
Italy: A Ven S A Tyr-Tri, A Tyr-Tri, F Ion-Gre, F Apu-Adr.
Russia: A Fin-Swe, F Bal-Den, A War-Sil, A Rum-Bud, F Sev-Rum.
Turkey: NMR! A Con U, F Bla U, A Arm U.

Supply Center Chart

Austria	Vie, Tri, Ser, Gre=4	Even
England	Lon, Lpl, Edi, Nwy, StP=5	Build 1
France	Par, Mar, Bre, Spa, Por=5	Build 1
Germany	Kie, Ber, Mun, Bel, Hol, Swe=6	Build 1
Italy	Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun=4	Even
Russia	Mos, War, Sev, Den, Bud, Rum=6	Build 1
Turkey	Con, Ank, Smy, Bul=4	Build 1

Civilization

Egypt-Paul Chinnery, Asia-Nancy Behrendt, Thrace-Mike Scott
 Babylon-Ernest Hakey III, Africa-Bill Becker, Crete-Geoffrey Richard
 Assyria-James Stanger

Turn 6

Phase 11:Return Excess Trade Cards Thrace and Babylon each return a card to the "1" pile.

Phase 1:Collect Taxes Egypt \$4,Asia \$2,Thrace \$4,Babylon \$4,Africa \$4,Crete \$2,Assyria \$2.

Phase 2:Population Expansion Egypt: 1T each in D8,E1,E3,G8,E5,E6,F1,F5,F6 2T each in E2,E7,E8,F7. Asia: 1T each in L3,L1,M7,M8 2T each in M1,L4,P2,M2,M3,L5,M4,L7. Thrace: 1T each in K7,P3,R3,P5,P7,N1, 2T in P6. Babylon: 1T each in J6,J7,J8,J9, H3,H4,H5,F2. Africa: 1T each in C2,C8,D2,D3,D5,D7 2T each in C4,C3,C1C6,D6,E7. Crete: 1T each in B6,B7,P8,P9,N9 2T each in B3,N4. Assyria: 1T each in J2,J3,G7 G9 2T each in L6,L8,L9,G1,G2,G3,G4,G6.

Phase 4:Build Ships Egypt: Build ship in E1 via \$2. Asia: Maintain ship in M8 via \$1. Thrace: Build ships in P7 and P6 with \$4. Africa: Maintain ship in C4 with \$1, build ship in C6 via \$2. Crete: Maintain ships at N2 and N4 via \$2. Assyria: remove ship at G7.

Phase 5:Movement Egypt: 2T F5-F7,1T F6-F5,2T E3-G8,1T E6-G8,1T E6-E3,1T E1-D8,1T E5-E2,1T E5-E6,1T E7-E5,2T E8-E7,1T E8-D7,1T D8-D7,1T F7-E8,1T F1-F3,ship E1-E2,4T E2-G8 via ship,ship ends in E3,1T D8 H,1T E1 H,1T E2 H,2T G8 H,1T F1 H,1T F6 H,4T F7 H,1T E8 H,3T E7 H. Asia: 1T L1-L2,1T L3-L2,2T L4-L5,1T L7-M4,1T L7-M5(Imp),2T M1-P2,2T M3-M2,1T M4-M5,1T M4-M7,ship M8-M7,2T M7-M6 via ship,1T M8-M9,1T L1 H,1T L3 H,2T L4 H,4T L5 H,3T L7 H,2T M1 H,4T M2 H,2T M3 H,2T M4 H,1T M8 H,4T P2 H. Thrace: 4T P6-N6 via ship,2T P7-N6 via ship,1T R3-R4,1T R3-P6,1T P5-P6,2T K7 H,2T P3 H,2T N1 H,1T P5 H. Babylon: 1T F2-H9,1T F2 H,2T H4 H,2T H3-H4,1T J7-J5,1T J7-J4,2T J9-H4,2T J8-H2,1T J6-J9,1T J6 H,2T H5-H8. Africa: 2T C4-B2 via ship,2T C4-A6 via ship,1T C2-C4 via ship,2T C6-B8 via ship,2T C6-C3 via ship,ship ends in B8,4T D6-D7,4T E7-D7,2T D5-D7,1T D3-D5,1T C1-C2,2T C8-C6,2T D2-C8,1T C1-C7,4T C3 H,1T C2 H,2T C1 H,1T D3 H,2T D7 H. Crete: 2T B6-B2,2T B3-A7,1T B3-B6,1T B3 H,1T B7-B3,1T B7 H,ship N2-P8,1T P8-N2 via ship,ship N4-N9,1T N9-N7 via ship,ship ends in N4,2T N4 H,1T N4-N2,1T N4-N5,1T P9-N3,1T P9 H,1T N9 H,1T P8 H. Assyria: 2T G6-G7,2T G6-G9,3T G3-G9,2T G9 H,2T L8-G1,4T G1 H,2T G7-G8,2T G3-F1,2T L9-G3,2T L9-G2,4T G2 H,2T L6-L9,1T J3-L3,1T J2-J1,1T J3 H,1T J2 H,2T L6 H,2T L8 H,2T G4 H,2T G4-G6.

Phase 6:Conflict Crete vs Africa in B2-each lose 1T,Asia vs Assyria in L3-each lose 1T,Assyria vs Egypt in G8-Assyria loses 2T Egypt loses 1T,Assyria vs Egypt in F1-Egypt loses 1T,Egypt vs Africa in D7-Egypt loses 2T Africa loses 1T.

Phase 7:Build Cities Egypt: F7 & G8. Asia: L5,M2 & P2. Thrace: N6. Babylon: H4. Africa: C3. Assyria: G1,G2 & G9.

Phase 8:Remove Surplus Population Egypt: Loses 2T in G8 (no cohabitation). Asia: Loses 1T in L7,loses 2T in L2 (no cohabitation). Africa: Loses 10T in D7. Assyria: Loses 1T in F1.

Phase 9:Acquire Trade Cards Total cards held. Egypt _____,
_____,Volcanic Eruption. Asia _____,_____,_____,_____. Thrace _____,
_____,_____. Babylon _____,_____,_____,_____. Africa _____,
_____,_____. Crete _____,_____. Assyria _____,_____,_____,_____.

Final Positons Egypt:1T each in E1,E3,E6,E5,F3,F5,F6 2T each in D8,E2,E8,5T E7,1S E3,1C G8,1C F8,1C F7,1C E4. Asia: 1C L2,1C L5,2T L4,1T L1,2T M1,2T M3,2T L7,1C

P2,1C M2,3T M4,1T M5,2T M6,1S M6,1T M7,1T M8,1T M9. Thrace: 1C K6,2T K7,2T P3,1T R4,1T P5,2T P6,1C R2,2T N1,1C N6,2S N6. Babylon: 1T J5,1T J4,1T J6,1T J9,2T H2,1C H4,1C H6,1C H7,2T H8,1T H9,1T F2. Africa: 2T A6,1S A6,1T B2,2T B8,1S B8,1T C4,1C C3,2T C2,2T C1,2T C6,1T C7,2T C8,1C D1,1T D3,1C D4,1T D5,1T D7. Crete: 2T A7,1T B2,2T B3,1T B6,1T B7,1T P8,1T P9,2T N2,1S N2,1T N5,2T N4,1T N3,1S N4,1T N7,1T N9,1C N8. Assyria: 1T J1,1T J2,1T J3,2T L6,2T L8,2T L9,1C G1,1C G2,2T G3,2T G4,1C G5,2T G6,2T G7,1C G9,1T F1.

At end of turn 6, Africa,Thrace and Babylon on AST #6. Asia,Assyria,and Egypt on AST #5.
Crete on AST #4.

Census: Egypt \$2,18T,4C,27 stock. Asia \$1,18T,4C,28 stock. Thrace \$4,10T,3C,33 stock. Babylon \$8,10T,3C,29 stock. Africa \$1,18T,3C,28 stock. Crete 17T,1C,30 stock. Assyria \$2,18T,4C,27 stock.

PRESS

Babylon: The God-King of Babylon offers a trade of 3 cards including a Papyrus worth 6 for any set including iron or salt.

Thrace: I am looking for Iron. Anyone interested please contact ASAP.

Thrace - Crete: You're bottling up 12 city sites to our 5 isn't part of any deal. Would you please contact me?

Kremlin

Blue-Bruce Reiff,Red-David McCrumb,Yellow-Bill Becker,Purple-Stven Carlberg
Green-Garrett Schenck,Orange-Tom Nash

Turn 3

Phase 1:Cures Phase Blue declares 3IP on C. A ages 4 to 94. Z ages 1 to 60. J ages 2 to 77. H returns from hospital. Blue puts G in hospital.

Phase 2:Purge Phase Blue puges (with Z) H. Fails to purge E. Z ages 4 to 64.

Phase 3:Spy Investigation Blue condemns S with J. J ages 2 to 79.

Phase 4:Health Phase Z passes away to Kremlin Wall,C adds to +'s to ++.

Phase 5:Funeral Commission No activity.

Phase 6:Replacement Phase C goes by age from Economy to KGB. Blue declares 1IP on B. B promotes M from people to candidate. B ages 1 to 76. J promotes M from Candidate to Ideology. J ages 1 to 80. D goes by age from Candidates to Economy. I and K go by age to Candidate from People.

Phase 7:Rehabilitation No activity.

Phase 8:Parade Phase A fails to wave. A ages 2 to 96 and retires. Blue declares 9IP on J.

Location	Final Politburo Positions					
	Blue(X)	Yellow	Green	Red	Purple	Orange
Party Chief:						
Vacant						
KGB:						
C,74,++	3					
Foreign:						
B,76	1					
Defense:						
J,80,++	9			7		1
Ideology:						
M,64						
Industry:						
G,70,++,(cure)	5	4				
Economy:						
D,73						
Sports:						
E,72						
Candidates:	F 71,I 68,K 66,P 61,Q 60.					
People:	L 65,O 62,T 57,U 56,V 55,W 54,X 53.					
Siberia:	H 69,N 64+,R 61,S 58,Y 52.					
Kremlin Wall:	A,Z.					

Make sure you get your moves in by the next deadline. Include with your moves the declaration of your bonus ZIP. They will be allocated simultaneously. Ties will be resolved by the roll of a die. So far, Blue seems to still be in command of the game, but only has one wave. It's still anyone's game, I guess!

Gamestart Notice!

Woolworth II-D

That's right, ladies and gents, Woolworth has finally found a fifth player and is officially underway! Make sure you get your Spring '01 moves in by the deadline. First, a few house rules: you can publish press from your public nation only. All illegal (Imp and NSU) orders will be treated as either holds or unordered and will be reported that way. There will be no black press for the first turn, and please indicate whether or not you wish black press to be allowed, so we can set the house rule for this game. And now, the players:

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If you have any questions regarding the rules, the game, or anything else, please don't hesitate to ask. The seasons will be run the same as our regular Dip game (Winter-Spring, Summer-Fall), with no automatic season separation in 1901. Separations requested by 2 or more players will be granted. All "choice" units in this game should be selected in your Spring 1901 orders. Moves may be conditional based on choices (ie, "If England has F Lvp then.., or if they have A Lvp then..."). Okay? Good. Get to it!

Players Needed

Mike Scott (an accomplished GM) is in need of players and stand-bys. The following games are available to interested players: Conquistador, Kingmaker, Civilization, Gunslinger, and Russian Civil War. There might even be two games of Conquistador opened! I personally play in a game of Civ. that Mike runs and must say I have no complaints. Interested players should contact:

Mike Scott 857 N. Greenpark Avenue Covina, CA 91724

Larry and Nancy Behrendt are looking for other interested parties, a GM, and a set of PBM rules for Cold War. I have never played the game, nor have I ever seen it offered in a PBM format. anyone who can shed some light on the subject for them should contact:

Larry Behrendt c/o Atlanta Christian College
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Letters to the Idiot

Nancy Behrendt

Greg Maynard: I thought "Perfumed Letters..." was great. Still, Larry better not get any perfumed letters!

[[Well, then good news...Greg has been "signed on" to run his own sub-zine exclusively here at Maniac's Paradise. Keep your eyes open for more masterful writing!]]

Eastern Block Nations: I am excited to see the events in Eastern Europe. Our world economy and politics within the next few years will be changing. I hope this comes out to the advantage of the people of these nations, and the U.S. However, our games are becoming obsolete as fast as they're printed. Isn't it bad enough that your Rand McNally is out of date months after it's printed? Although game makers will be trying to match current world conditions, they'll never keep up. At least us gamers will know what the world was like. How do you feel about our quickly changing world? How are you going to cope with constant change?

[[Well, as for change in Europe, it certainly is long overdue. I wonder how long it will go

before Gorby has a convenient heart attack and a militaristic Russian head takes back what they covet as their own? On the topic of games not being able to keep up with the times, I can't really comment. Almost all of my gaming time is spent playing historical simulations of past events (WWII, Napoleon, and 3000 BC mainly). The most "modern" gaming I've done in the last 6 months would be Kremlin and TV Wars (unless you count futuristic Final Conflict, that is).]]

Robert Stimmel

Football Ratings: My system was started in 1950, but I've had several lapses. I've often changed the system. One problem with my present system is that an undefeated team can acquire a high rating without playing strong teams - consider Ga. Southern. A team's game rating is composed by the opponent's strength, the score difference (up to 30 points), and a generous victory bonus or defeat deduction. This one game rating is combined with the previous rating in a fraction depending on how many games have been played, but it gives more weight to recent games. I once decided to simplify my calculations to save time but discovered the new system was better for prediction purposes.



"Oh, stabbed in the back again, I must say!"
(And that's no lie!)

College Football Ratings

Compiled by Robert Stimmel

Ratings After 11-18-89

1) Notre Dame	574.87	37) S.F. Austin	295.42	73) Pitt. State (KS)	158.79
2) Colorado U.	550.38	38) Arizona U.	287.72	74) E. Michigan	148.30
3) Fla. State	530.76	39) Louisville	284.11	75) Maryland	144.97
4) Miami, Fla.	527.78	40) Syracuse	258.88	76) Maine	141.65
5) Nebraska	521.67	41) Appalachian St.	257.87	77) Villanova	141.41
6) Alabama	516.71	42) Middle Tenn.	256.68	78) U Nev.,Reno	136.82
7) Michigan U.	496.90	43) Va. Tech	255.48	79) Minnesota	130.73
8) Clemson	474.73	44) N. Car. State	250.42	80) UCLA	128.89
9) Arkansas	472.35	45) Arizona St.	245.45	81) San Jose St.	128.53
10) Houston	466.88	46) N. Illinois	243.43	82) California	126.41
11) Auburn	463.76	47) Wash. State	241.29	83) Stanford	121.28
12) S. California	436.39	48) Ga. Tech	236.29	84) Cen. Fla.	116.58
13) Ga. Southern	430.87	49) Idaho U.	231.57	85) E. Carolina	112.87
14) Virginia	414.70	50) Ball State	230.43	86) Okla. State	110.25
15) Furman	414.54	51) E. Kentucky	228.52	87) N. Mex. U.	106.34
16) Tennessee	408.33	52) S. Carolina	226.15	88) Oregon St.	99.66
17) Brigham Young	383.24	53) Army	224.47	89) Connecticut	98.94
18) Illinois	369.24	54) La. State	223.72	90) Boise State	88.04
19) Texas A&M	367.27	55) Kentucky	215.62	91) Delaware	86.98
20) Holy Cross	361.24	56) Indiana	196.06	92) Toledo	84.90
21) Wash. Univ.	356.74	57) W. & Mary	195.18	93) CS Fullerton	66.93
22) Mich. State	353.35	58) San Diego St.	187.81	94) W. Michigan	65.38
23) Duke	346.57	59) SW La.	187.71	95) Rice	65.36
24) West Virginia	341.11	60) Iowa State	186.36	96) Citadel	58.64
25) Texas Tech	334.06	61) Miss. Univ.	186.09	97) Tulane	55.89
26) Pittsburgh	332.66	62) Baylor	182.30	98) Texas Chr. U.	55.58
27) Ohio State	320.28	63) Wyoming	178.05	99) C. Michigan	54.64
28) Hawaii	319.23	64) Texas U.	177.86	100) Bos. Col.	47.92
29) Florida U.	318.69	65) La. Tech	173.62	101) NW La.	42.20
30) Oregon U.	317.74	66) S. Mississippi	170.61	102) Pacific	34.90
31) Georgia U.	314.98	67) New Hampshire	166.08	103) Temple	32.99
32) Fresno St.	314.37	68) Iowa U.	162.54	104) Ark. State	30.30
33) Pa. State	311.74	69) Miss. State	161.92	105) J. Madison	24.82*
34) Montana U.	310.67	70) Tulsa	161.87	106) Purdue	23.57
35) Air Force	309.26	71) Colo. State	160.06	107) Wake Forest	16.23
36) Oklahoma U.	303.74	72) Marshall	159.73	108) Rutgers	00.94

* Does not include result of J Mad. - Northwestern game.

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Mondoj #15: September 22, 1989...as if we don't yet get to vote enough in this hobby, we present

The 1989 North American Variant Hobby Poll

There are four categories: Best Variant Zine, Best Variant GM, Biggest Variant Personality, and Best Variant.

For **Best Variant Zine**: Any zine which runs one or more variant Diplomacy games, other than Gunboat games, is eligible. Zines which do not usually run games are also eligible if a significant amount of their editorial content relates to variant Diplomacy.

For **Best Variant GM**: Any GM who runs one or more variant Diplomacy games, other than Gunboat games, is eligible.

For **Biggest Variant Personality**: Anyone is eligible; vote for those persons who contribute the most to the variant hobby by reason of playing skill, variant design, promotion, writing, or any contribution or set of contributions except GMing.

For **Best Variant**: You may vote for any published Diplomacy variant regardless of when or by whom it was designed.

Directions: In the Zine category, you may vote for up to six zines; rank them in order 1st through 6th, no ties. Do not vote for a zine if you have not seen at least two issues of it since January 1, 1989.

In the GM category, you may again vote for up to six, in rank order without ties. Do not vote for a GM unless you have played in a variant game under that GM at some time since January 1, 1988.

In the other categories, you may vote for up to six Personalities and up to ten Variants, again in rank order without ties.

Votes for the poll's tabulator, or his zine, will not be counted. This will avoid one source of distorted results.

Please send in your ballot, with your name, address, and a brief identification of a tie to postal Diplomacy (publisher of X, player in game Y, subscriber to Z, etc.), to: Glenn Overby

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Ballots must be received by December 22, 1989 to be counted. Results will be published in **Mondoj** in January 1990.

Publishers of Dipzines are expressly authorized and encouraged to reprint this information. This zine is too small to get a proper base of replies on its own, but together we can make it work. Thanks for your assistance.

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