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PSO-001
1973-GJ
Fall 1904

TURKEY WIPED OUT !!

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AUSTRIA (Kelly) A Liv-StP A Sil-Gal A Ukr-Sev A Rum S A Ukr-Sev
A Arm S F Con-Ank A Bul S A Rum A Gre-Ser F Con-Ank

ENGLAND (Hicks) NMR! (F Lpl-Hold) // retreat Cly, OTB// F Edi-Hold
F Lon-Hold NOTE: A StP was disbanded by GM since no
retreat was sent in for it.

FRANCE (Sidor)* (A Mar-Pie) A Bur-Hold A Bel-Wal F Eng C A Bel-Wal
F Iri-Lpl F NAT S F Iri-Lpl

GERMANY (Brooks)[@] A Mun-Hold A Kie-Hol A Swe S F Nth-Nwy F Hel-Nth
F Nth-Nwy

ITALY (Claman) A Mos S AUS A Liv-StP (A Ven-Pie) F Ion-Tun
F Emd-Ion F Aeg-Con A Smy S AUS F Con-Ank

RUSSIA (McCabe) A Boh-Vie (A StP S F Nwy) //retreat Fin, OTB//
{F Nwy S A StP} // retreat Nwg, Bar, OTB//
(F Sev-Rum) //retreat OTB, no clear province//

TURKEY (Knowles) NOTE: F Con retreated to Black Sea
F Bla S A Ank (A Ank-Hold) //retreat OTB, no clear
province//

* Okay, so I'm a real creep, but I'm still going to ask you for the \$2.50 for this game. I would really appreciate it since the Post Office and I have this agreement where they deliver AFTER I Pay Them.

[@] Please be sure that you note Capt. Brooks has moved as listed in the last issue of P&S

ERRATA: It would seem that I have erred (yes, even me!) in listing some units in the last issue. I called RUSSIAN F Sev an army and TURKISH F Con an army. I think that the parties directly involved caught it since all orders were submitted correctly despite my goof. Many thanks to the guys who brought it to my attention (the world doesn't have enough guys like you, I guess).

One thing more; since I consider the game the possession of its players completely, I refuse to play for anyone who misses his moves. What this implies is simple: as with the English retreat above, I do not simply move it somewhere, but REMOVE the unit completely. If you

players wish me to make some kind of retreat in such a situation, then each of you tell me so and if the majority agrees, then I will do so. Also, I will accept one set of orders in advance of the current set to relieve such things. The choice is YOURS - VOTE!

PS-001
1974-CT
Spring 1901

WORLD ON RAMPAGE !

- AUSTRIA (Baker) (F Tri-Ven) A Vie-Gal A Bud S A Vie-Gal //Hmmm..//
- ENGLAND (Kelly) F Edi-Nth F Lon-Eng A Lpl-Wal //Hmmmmm..//
- FRANCE (Fleming) F Bre-Mat A Par-Bur A Mar S A Par-Bur //I think you maybe shoulda answered one or two letters...//
- GERMANY (Davison) A Ber-Kie (A Mun-Bur) F Kie-Den //Now I know that France shoulda answered at least one letter...//
- ITALY (Gorham) A Ven-Pie (A Rom-Ven) F Nap-Ion //Omigawd!!//
- RUSSIA (Hinson) F StP-GoB A War-Liv A Mos-Ukr (F Sev-Bla)
- TURKEY (McLendon) A Con-Bul A Smy-Con (F Ank-Bla) //And with all those pretty centers Austria just didn't want..//

WOW!! This one's gotta little action to say the least. I just can't wait to see the Fall moves after watching everyone go crazy on the first move!

NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH... AND OTHER LIES

or THE PRESS:

AUSTRIA SPEAKS!
* Note: I would like to point out that the Russian unit in SEV is a fleet (see all previous seasons), not an Army as listed in last issue (Vol. 1, No.4).

AND ITALY-
* Here are my moves: Best, David Claman

11:42 P.M.
* In a rush of worry brought about by sending late orders the king of FRA called to give me good tidings tonite... Many thanks for the call old boy!

ENGLAND SAYS!
* Please move the deadline up to 28 June.

ENGLAND ILL?
* It could be that the king of England is down with a severe case of writer's cramp or some such disease. That could explain no orders.....

RUSSIA?
* Ringggg, ringggg, here are my moves.

WASH YOUR HANDS
BEFORE LEAVING THIS ROOM

IN GERMANY-
* Best regards, Steve Brooks.

TURKEY SITS ON POT!
* No press at all!!



Bill Farley of Phoenix, Arizona: For his contribution in the field of advanced weaponry. The 78-year-old former culler singlehandedly built, over a period of 15 years, the largest jackknife in history. It measures ten feet from tip to handle when opened, weighs 27 pounds, has four blades and is completely useless.

* GM "PRESS"

CT

EMP PLEASED!!

Vienna: The Emperor of Austria-Hungry is pleased to announce a non-aggression pact between his nation and Germany. In an official statement, the Emperor said, "Now that we have made certain of peace with our cousin, the Kaiser, we can concentrate on our real enemy." Who the real enemy is was not stated, but informed sources say the attack on Italy is purely defensive.



HERE COME DE JUDGE

HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA—A Madison County judge has been sentenced to three years in prison after being convicted of trading judicial leniency for women's sexual favors. One witness testified that she had sex with the judge to escape prosecution on bad-check charges and another said she yielded to him in an agreement to stop criminal prosecution of her brother. The judge faces four more trials on similar charges.



RUSSIAN PROPOSITION?

* My telephone number is

NEW EMPIRE!!

The people of Italy today have proclaimed the restoration of the Roman Empire, and the leader of the Empire will be Ceasar Daniel. Hail Ceasar!



SPLENDIDHAMSTAFFSHIRE-on-TRENTONCALF:

"Well," sighs Mad Scientist Professor Crinklecrud, arch-enemy of the entire world, "We've got the key, and it does not seem to be too much the worse for wear..."

The Mad Menace //No, not Knowles-- Kelly//(Hey, that's my //" that you are about to steal) holds the instrument in question up to the light and shudders. "Heavens to Hell, Grud, why did you swallow this key in the first place?" he demands.

"I got hungry," cringes Grud.

"Well, couldn't you have eaten something out of one of the test tubes?", snarls the Sappy Scientist.

"The last time I tried that," complains Grud, "I turned into a frog!"

"Yes," reminisces Crinklecrud, "and an ugly one at that!" He strokes his shrivelled face for a moment. "And then there was the time I turned you into a dragon and you burnt the place down. ((I thought it turned him into a bore, personally)) Ah, yes, those were the days...", sighs the Harbinger of Horror.

"Master," eaterwauls Grud, "I want to go home!"

"Alright, Grud," says Crinklecrud as soothingly as possible in a voice that sounds like fingernails scraping on the blackboard, "let's go home. What did you do with the key..."

Grud fidgets.

"Grud --" whispers Crinklecrud menacingly, "tell me you didn't swallow that key ..."

Grud cringes. "I was so hungry, Master..." he wails.

"Oh, for Christ's sake..." ((I don't think I could have put it better))

HUN SURPRISE!?

Berlin News: The Kaiser in a surprise move seeks to preserve the territorial integrity of Germany by audacious moves north and west. Have no fear, General Chester Chipindale has been placed in command of the army assisted by Col. Gomer Pyle. "We have nothing to fear but ourselves," says the Kaiser.

FRANCE APOLOGIZES!

France apologizes to all nations who have not received any communication from us. (I am in the midst of moving and cannot answer all letters right now). Thank you all. //You may want to change that last line to a deleted expletive now that you've seen the moves//

???????

Con/Roma - Are you ready? Is you know where the place? I hope for plenty of action. ((You don't know what to do with plenty of action the way I hear it))

AND NOW, LADS & LADDIES,

PSO-001 1973-GJ
SUPPLY CENTER CHART

AUSTRIA	-	Bud	Tri	Ser	Gre	Rum	Bul	Smy	ANK	SEV	STP	9	SC	BUILD	+2
ENGLAND	-	Edi	Lon	Lpl	Stp							2	SC	REMOVE	-1
FRANCE	-	Par	Bre	Mar	Spa	Por	Bel	LPL				7	SC	BUILD	+1
GERMANY	-	Ber	Kie	Mun	Hol	Den	SWE	NWY				7	SC	BUILD	+2
ITALY	-	Ven	Nap	Rom	Tun	War	Vie	MOS	SMY	CON		8	SC	BUILD	+2
RUSSIA	-	Mos	Stp	Stp	Stp	Stp	VIE					1	SC	REMOVE	-3
TURKEY	-	Con	Lak									0	SC	OUT	-2

There you have it boys, now let's wait and see just what you can do with all those nasty little units.

Plan tonight to sweat less tomorrow....

JULY						
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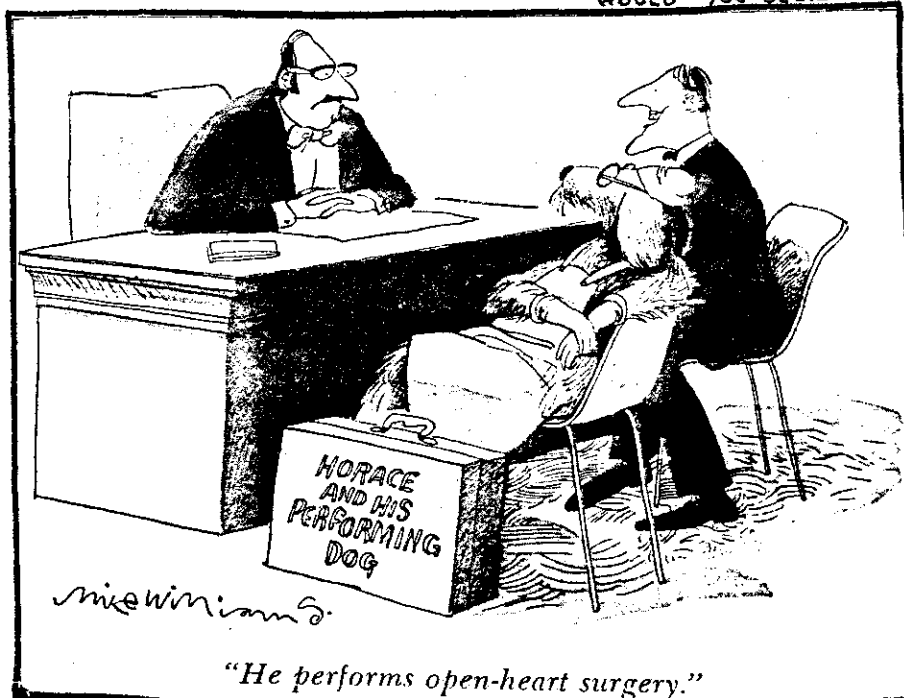
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TODAY!

1973-GJ Winter 1904 & Spring 1905
are now due in by:
1974-CT Fall 1901 are now due in by:
AND SOME PRESS, BOTH GAMES.....

Of course I realize that this deadline is just a bit short of the usual one, but since the first deadline was so long for PS-001 I thought that I'd change tactics on those guys just to keep them off balance. The real reason is much simpler though; its so that another game (yes, count 'em, three now) can get right into the schedule without delay. One of Connie's orphans, in a poor sense of the word, will be joining us with such great names as Greg M Warden, David Lagerson, and others. Fantastic!
(LIKE TERRY KNOWLES)

There have been several requests for me to include a map in the issues for every game. Some people like them, others don't really care one way or the other. So, this time, I'm including them for your benefit WITH the unit placement marked IN COLOR no less. The other method is to include just a blank map and to let you jokers do the work yourselves. I'm not sure which I'll stick to as yet but you'll be the first to know. Any opinions?

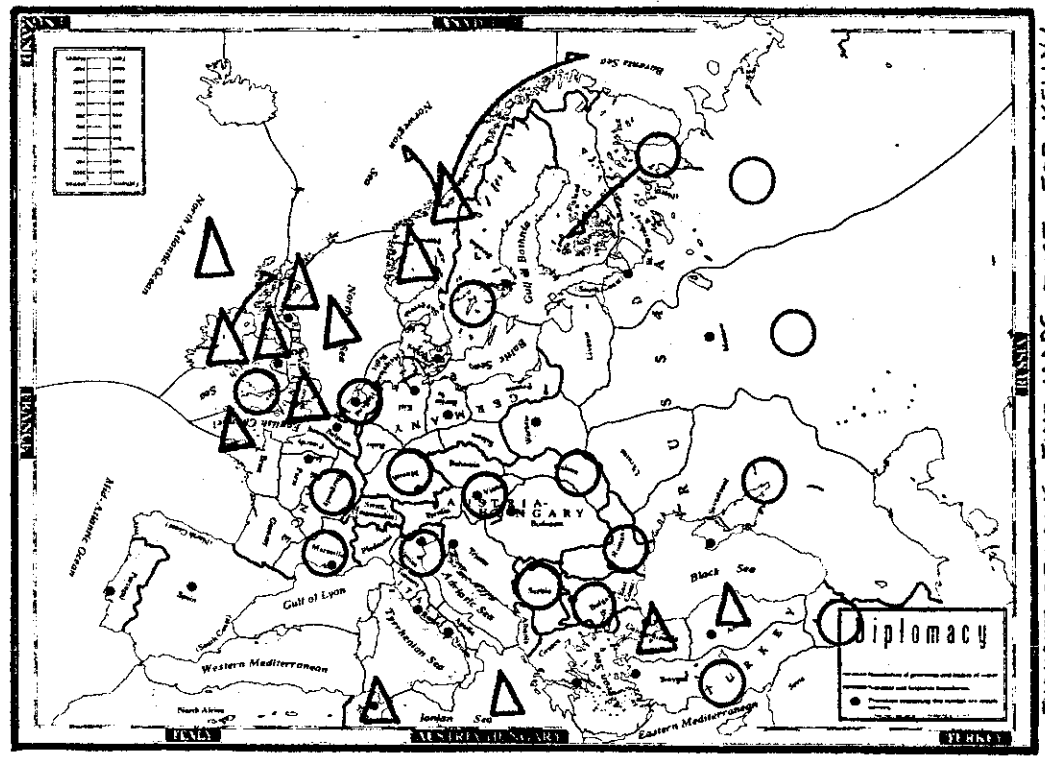
Everybody likes cartoons, and so I try to put one or two in this rag just to keep things friendly. What I would like to know is just what kind of humor you players really like to see. Gahan Wilson is pretty popular but I don't have too many of his on hand. Any suggestions from you out there? Do you even want them in the zine? Please let me know what you all are thinking - I know that you're out there.....



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Note unit type and nationality given on chart below:

Units that must retreat are also given with lines to indicate where they may retreat.



I THOUGHT OF USING TWO MAPS JUST FOR KELLY!

UNITS & NATIONALITY-

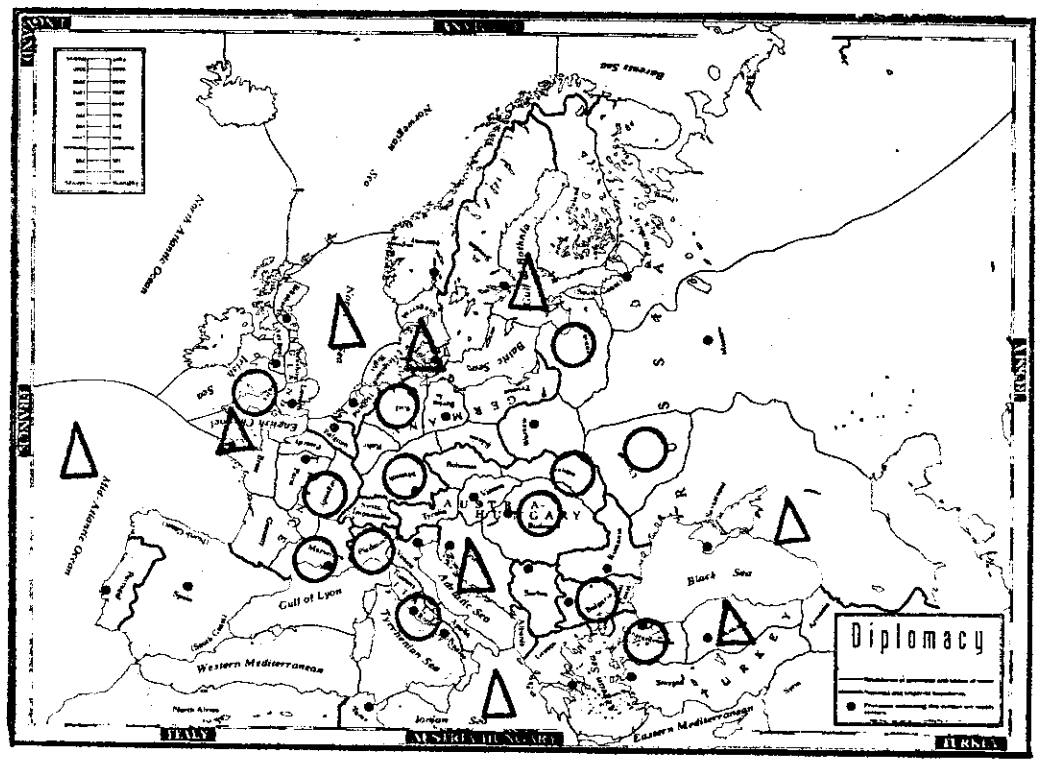
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As I said, this may or may not become a regular feature since it consumes one heck of a lot of my "precious" time. If all of you really want it then I'll definitely give it some consideration. Okay?

PS-001
1974-CT
Spring 1901

Note unit type and nationality given in chart above:

This game looks promising so far as action goes. I can't wait until the mid-game stabs start to really stir up the cauldron...



As this tragedy draws to a close, I only have a few things to add to issue No. 5. First of all, I want to continuously remind all of you that I get real kicks out of hearing from you about PEN & SWORD. Its the games that make a zine go and you, the players, are the game. I can't say it enough ...

Secondly, I now have some openings for variant games as listed in the following paragraph. Let's see some kind of response to this as several players want variant games:

DIADOCHI IV - Seven players; Middle East & Europe with parts of Africa; 220 B.C.

Logical Diplomacy - Six Players; Hexagonal map consisting of six equal "countries" with all players in equal starting positions

ANY OTHERS that someone is willing to supply me with map and rules for so that I can have them copied and distributed.

PLUGS:

DIPLOMACY WORLD - Published by Walt Buchanan, RR #3, Lebanon, Indiana 46052. That's enough said right there for anyone in the hobby to know its great. About thirty pages on the average full of articles, general information, cartoons, ratings, etc. At \$3.00 per year its a fantastic professional zine.

EL CONQUISTADORE - Gordon Anderson does his best with this one. Its available from him at Viking Systems, Suite #823, 24 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60602 for \$4.00 yearly. Also write to him for complete information on CITEX 74, the hobby's convention.

THE FIGHTER'S HOME - published by one of the players here, Daniel Gorham, 8 Ravenna Street, Asheville, N.C. 228803. A new zine that is fast on the way up, if it can go any higher! Its full of games and some very interesting letters to the Editor. Only \$4.00 per year.

NEMO - an unusual zine that Mike Worthington puts out when the game players send in some moves. If the postman doesn't rip it off before it gets to your mailbox you'll definitely lose your naivety with it. Write Mike at 2022 Price Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee 37920 in order to have yourself embarrassed while you pay for it.

On another note, I'm still asking about the possibility of other games appearing in P&S or perhaps a seperate publication. These are wargames or simulations games such as TANK!, FRIGATE or sailing ship game like it that I have rules for on hand, or any other such games. I have a good hex grid map to use for this type of thing and I would like to see a tactical game run in my zine. I enjoy watching the play of these games very much if anyone is interested.

This about covers everything that I wanted to get in this issue. I am taking subscriptions now since the zine has something to offer to a casual reader. The going rate is 10/\$1.50.

Keep those cards and letters coming boys and girls and remember to send some press (except Knowles who can let a Mack truck run over his typewriter anytime) or else I'm going to do what I did this time and print anything you had on the sheet other than orders as your press. Ain't that a pain! C'mon now, write!

Until next time, have a good summer while it lasts and try not to breathe the air. PEN & SWORD strikes again.....!

LAST MINUTE NOTE: I just received move for PSO-001 from Fred Hicks - late; not used.



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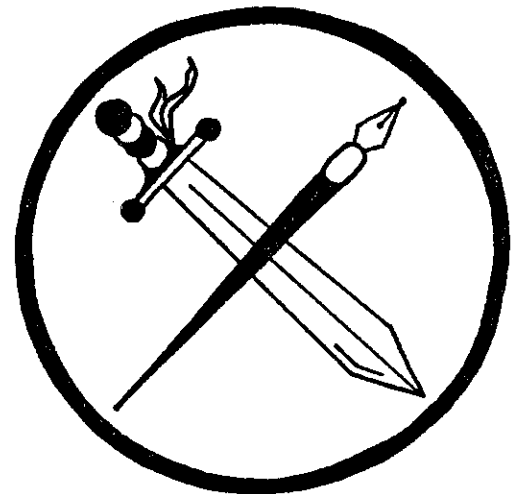
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