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PSO-003
1972-DM
Fall 1908

GERMANY - 3 To Go !!

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Number 01
11-15-74

AUSTRIA (Klitzke)	A Ser S TUR A Bul-Rum	<u>A Tri-Vie</u>	A Bud S A Tri-Vie
	//Almost, almost.....//		
ENGLAND (Knowles)	F Por-Spasc	F MAT-NAf	F Eng-MAT F Nth-Eng
	F Iri-HOLD	F NAT-HOLD	F Wal-HOLD
GERMANY (Lagersen)	Army Rumania retreats to Ukrania		
	A Pru-War	<u>A Sev-Rum</u>	A Ukr S A Sev-Rum
	A Sil-Gal	<u>A Vie S A Sil-Gal</u>	A Boh S A Vie
	A Mun-Tyr	<u>A Ven S A Mun-Tyr</u>	A Kie-Ruh
	<u>A Bur S ITA</u>	<u>F Naf OTB</u>	<u>A Mar-Pie</u> <u>F Nap S A Ven</u>
	F Hel-HOLDS its breath while all the sailors pay \$3.50 a piece (literally?) to see Dave jump Terri.		
	<u>A Gas-Mar</u> //Uh, Dave, Naples isn't really adjacent to Venice - Terry just told you that//		
ITALY (Civil Disorder)	A Pie-HOLD	F Wmd-HOLD	F Portugal has been disbanded, of course.
TURKEY (McCabe)	F Ion-Tun	<u>A Rum-Sev*</u>	A Arm S A Rum-Sev
	<u>A Bul-Rum</u>	F Gre-Ion	

* Players please note that this is a stand-off because the units in question would have had to trade spaces which is illegal. Sorry...

SUPPLY CENTER CHART-

Austria	Bud, Tri, Ser, Vie	3SC 3Units	-0-
England	Home, Bre, Nwy, StP, Spa, Swe, POR	9SC 7Units	+2
Germany	Home, Bel, Den, Hol, Mar, Mos, Par, Sev, Rom, Ven, War	14SC 14Units	-0-
	Rum, Vie		
Italy	Nap, Por, Tur	0SC 2Units	-2
Turkey	Home, Bul, Gre, RUM, TUN	7SC 5Units	+2

***** Oeps, There's an error - Germany also owns Naples so he may build one (1) new unit for a total of fifteen

.. Terry, your moves arrived safe and sound on the 11th. No problem with them at all. As for the lack of press from you - its a comfort once in awhile (but keep it coming).

Dave, you're correct. You could have retreated to Galicia instead but since you weren't really interested it doesn't matter, does it? Oh, and that Italian flket you supported has been gone for some time now.

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Fall 1908

ENGLAND HANGS ON ... (AGAIN!)

AUSTRIA (Kelly) A Ank-Con A Bul-Con F Con-Aeg A Arm-Smy A Gre-HOLD
E War-HOLD A Mos-HOLD F Alb-Ion F Adr S F Alb-Ion
A Tri-Ven A Ven-Rom A Tus S A Ven-Rom
A Nap S A Ven-Rom
ENGLAND (Hicks) F Edi-HOLD //You got lucky this time....//
FRANCE (Sidor) NMR - player removed and replaced. Your new opponent
will be Walter Blank; address below.
A Yor, F Eng, F Pic, F Spasc, F Wmd-HOLD A Paris has
been disbanded due to no receipt of a retreat for it.
TAKE IT AWAY, WALTER.....
GERMANY (Brooks) A Den-Edi F Nth C A Den-Edi F Hel S F Nth F Kle-Hel
F Nat S A Den-Edi // Spaces not adjacent here, Steve//
F Bel S F Nth A Ruh S F Bel A Mar-Spa A Gas-Bur
A Par S A Gas-Bre
ITALY (Claman) F Rom-Nap //retreat OTB// F Aeg-Ion F Tyr S F Aeg-Ion

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SUPPLY CENTER CHART

Austria	Home, Bul, Con, Gre, Mos, Rum, Ser, Sev, Ven, War, Smy, ANK, TRI NAP, ROM	16SC	13Units	+3
England	Edi	1SC	1Unit	-0-
France	Lpl, Lon, Per, Spa, Br , Par	4SC	5Units	-1
Germany	Home, Bel, Den, Hel, Nwy, StP, Swe, Mar, BRE, PAR	12SC	10Units	+2
Italy	Tun, Nap , Rom , Tri	1SC	2Unit	-1

NEW PLAYER* Walter M. Blank, R.F.D. 1, Box 181, Ontario, WISC 54651

PS-001
1974-CT
Winter 1903 / Spring 1904

UNITED NATIONS HOLD SESSION?

Winter 1903
AUSTRIA (Baker) Build Army Vienna, Army Trieste Spring 1904 On File
ENGLAND (Kelly) Build Army Edinburgh Spring 1904 On File
FRANCE (Fleming) No orders necessary Spring 1904 On File
GERMANY (Davison) NMR F Denmark retreated OTB If next move is also
missed, player will be replaced.
ITALY (Gorham) NMR Player removed; A Venice retreated OTB and no
build made. Italy remains one short.
RUSSIA (Hinson) NMR F Sweden removed as per 1971 Rulebook If next
move is missed, player will be replaced.
TURKEY (McLendon) No orders necessary Spring 1904 On File

***** Spring 1904 has been delayed at the request of two players. I think that Davison and Hinson will probably continue to play but I'm not sure. I will try to find replacements for them as soon as I can round someone up.

GERMANY-1974-CT Terry Knowles please stand by.
ITALY-1974-CT Gordon McCabe please stand by.

If any of these positions are taken over by any of these players, I will add their addresses next issue.

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ANNOUNCEMENT*****

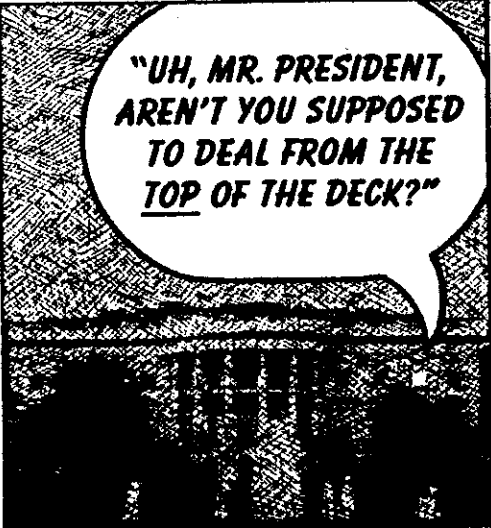
PEN & SWORD is opening a new game to any and all players in the zine currently. There are only seven openings so write immediately if you want in the new game.

This new game is an amended version of THE GHODS OF DIPLOMACY, a variant by Lew Pulsipher. Basically the game involves the regular rules and map plus the following additions:

- 1) Players build up "diplobucks" from their owned centers to be used in the following ways.
- 2) Players are allowed to bribe the GM to do various things, like wipe out another players unit for one year, etc.
- 3) Players may sacrifice to the "ghods" for favors like making a player miss all his moves on one turn.
- 4) Players may wager their "diplebucks" to gain more to use in the ways above.
- 5) the victory criteria is 19 units on the board.

The first seven players to write are accepted into the new section. The game fee varies as so: PEN & SWORD asks any interested party to contribute 10¢ per game turn to cover postage; P&S also asks that a player send this fee in stamps preferrably and that he pays for 10 turns at once. For one reason or another, the following parties may participate at no cost (if they desire): Fred Hyatt, Fred Hicks, John Boyer, and also my buddy Gordon McCabe. If you desire to play but do not wish to pay a fee, write anyway and let me know. If there is an opening, you may get in for free.

This game is being run at a reduced rate simply because I like the whole bunch of you jokers. Most all of you have been great to have in P&S and I want to show my appreciation. SO, WRITE.....



I'm not sure just what's causing this rash of NMRs, but something has to be done about it and quick. My own playing experience, for what its worth, really has shown me how a dropped position can wreck a good game for everyone. If any of you would care to standby for any game, please let me know so that I can call on you as soon as a position falls open.

Also, I'm thinking seriously of running the new game in a separate zine as a subsection of P&S to cut costs. More on that once I see if anyone is interested in more games. If I don't get seven players the first time around, the new game won't be run. OK?

If you are interested in a new game (as above), would you like Heaven and Hell on the map as spaces from which you can

enter any space on the board? Only one unit could occupy these spaces at a time also. I think it would give the game a lot as it gives the so-called ghods a place to work from in the set-up. Let me know.....

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THE PRESS (less Knowles):
1972-DM

Press: Let's hear it for lovely Terri Knowles and his wonderfully clever press writing skills. I would really like to see him write about twice as much press for each issue and until he does so, the game will probably not end. //Dave, first you don't type this damn thing and in the second place, if you don't get your ass in the sling, an alliance of the remaining powers may beat you yet!!!//

Berlin to Mr. Pen (or Mr. Sward--whichever of the two is the sharper) Please be advised that the Kaiser already knows what the moves will be and so you really don't have to keep delivering a copy of each players moves before we send in ours. //Okay, but then how will I finance PEN & SWORD?//

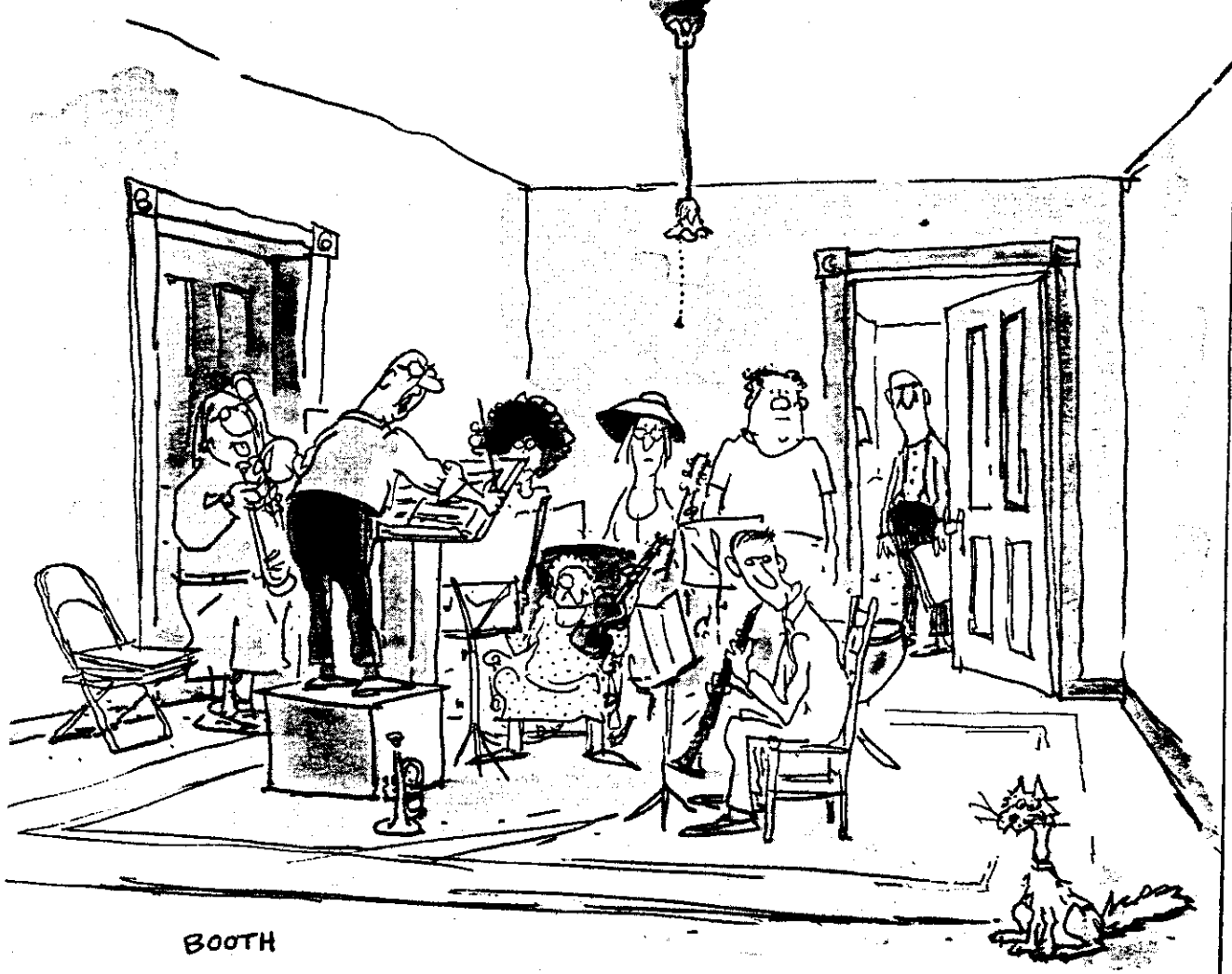
Berlin to Mr. Sward: I can't find Page #43 so I guess my holidays will have to wait. //Page #43 is a centerfold of lovely Terri--nude//

1974-OT

The Irish: In case I am subjected to the usual discrimination to which we Irish have become accustomed, and my request is not granted, following are my reluctant Spring 1904 orders. //What?//

Ankara to Vienna: So France wants to eat pizza, huh? Well, I think he will have to settle for a little crow. Especially when he finds out that his "friend" is not really his "friend" at all! //Diplomacy-right?//

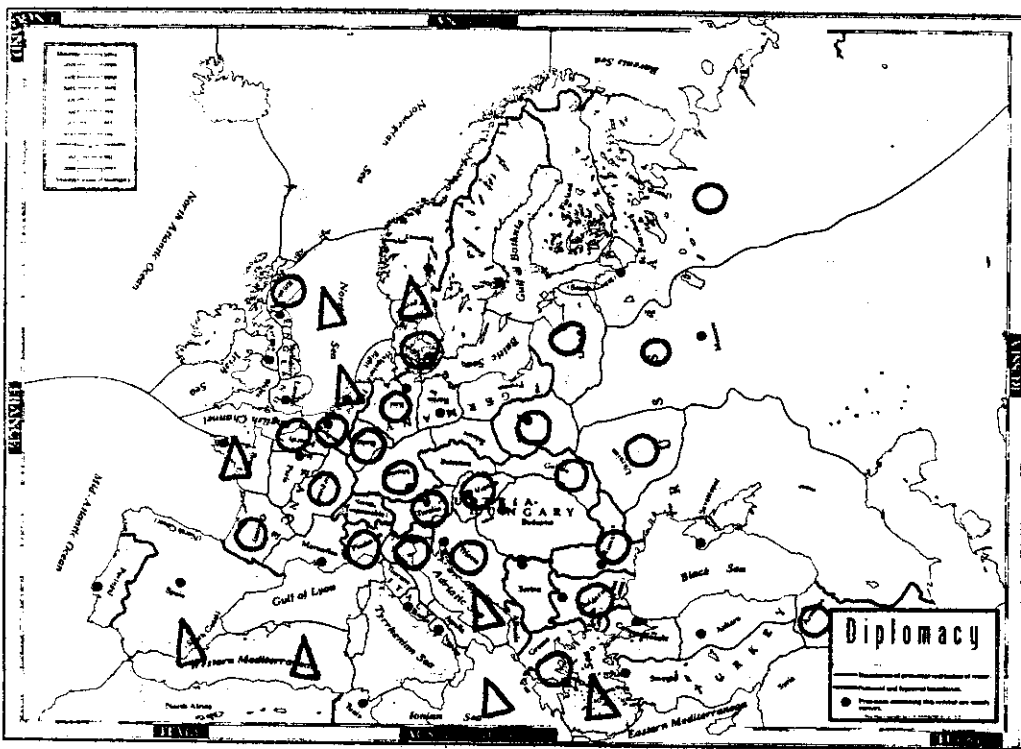
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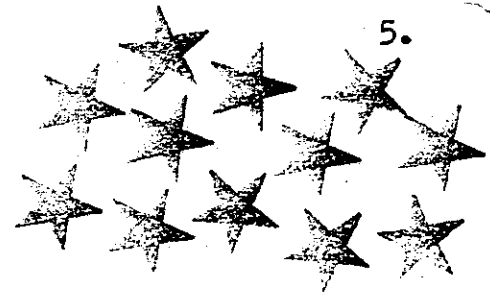
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DOES TERRY REALLY RESEMBLE THE CAT? ↗

"Let's take the andantino from G again . . . this time without the cat!"



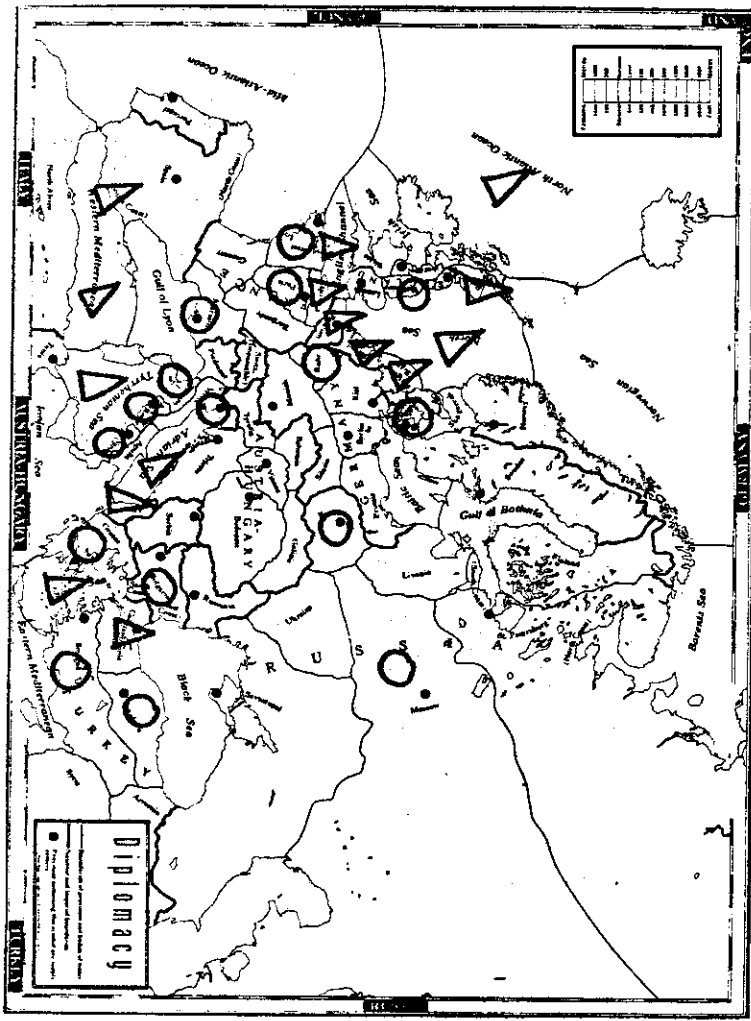
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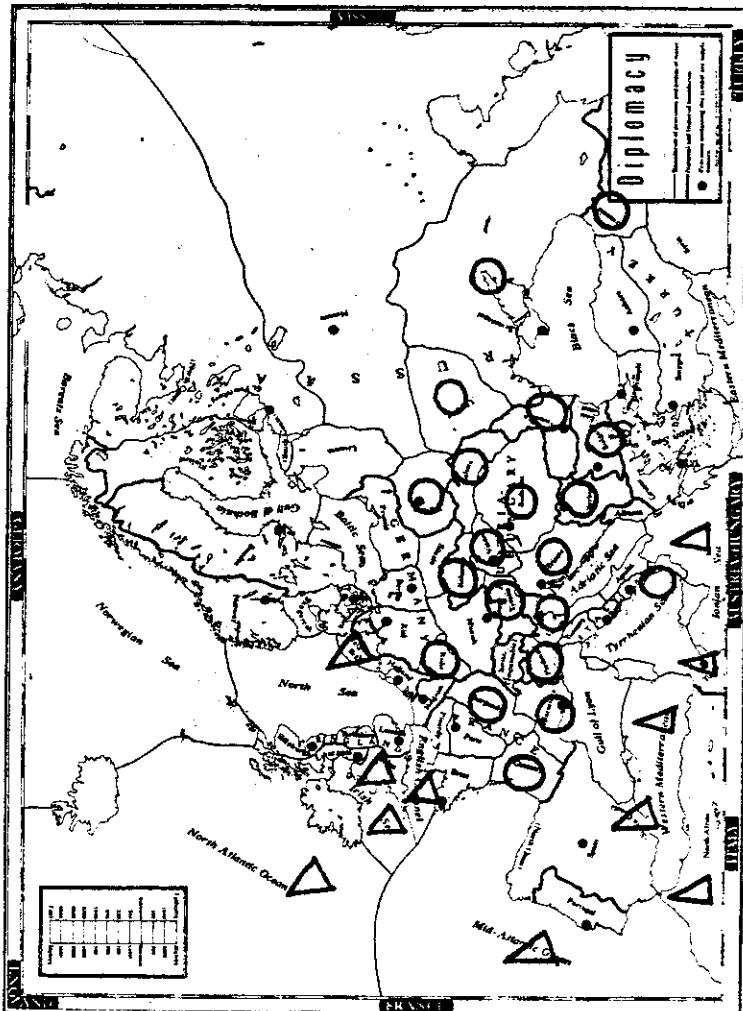
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MOVES DUE ON BELOW DATE:
 1972-DM W'08 & S'09
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DECEMBER						
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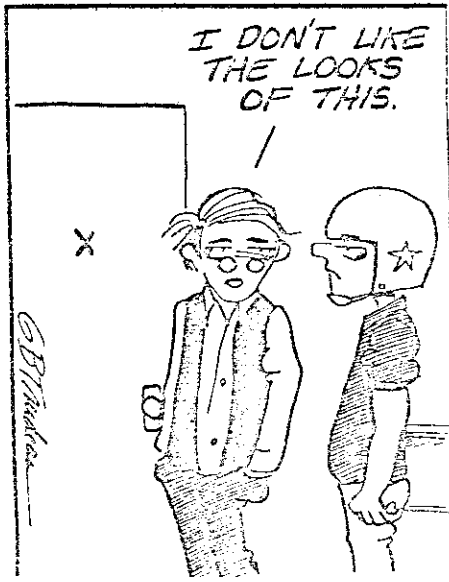
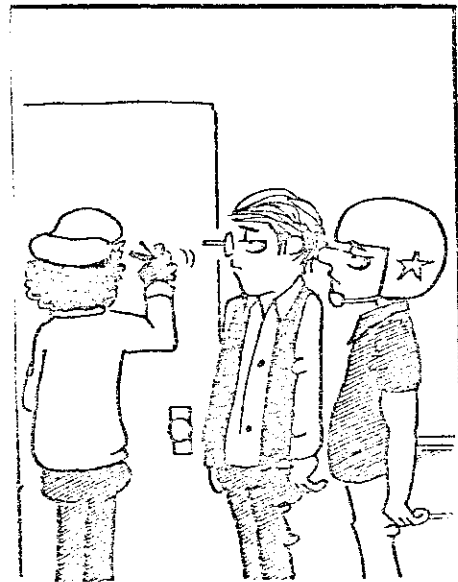
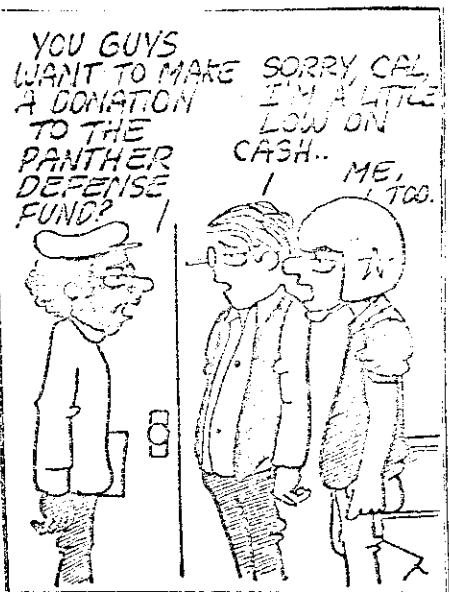


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MAIL  EARLY



This issue has managed to clean up some of the old cartoons I've had around in my files. If anyone sees a good one, send it in!

I don't have the result of the quiz as yet but I do think we'll have it next time if all goes well.

Hail, hail, the gang's almost here: An inmate of the Federal penitentiary at Allentown, Pennsylvania, went to the prison library to get a copy of the Bernstein-Woodward book on the Breaking of the Watergate story. "Do you have *All the President's Men*?" he asked. To which the prison librarian replied, "Not quite."

With Christmas coming up pretty soon, what would you like to do? Have an extended deadline next issue, say to January 1st? Or would you prefer to have a quick one on the 20th of December or so? Let's hear some response...

A large headline in a recent issue of *The Miami Herald*: "MILLION U.S. YOUTHS ILLITERATE, GOVERNMENT STUDY DISCOVERS."

There seems to be a bit of a misunderstanding about the general policy of PEN & SWORD. At any time a player desires a separate Winter and Spring move, all he has to do is request it. I prefer to have them together because it saves money and time for me. But its your choice.

Oops! The *Chicago Tribune* found it necessary to print this retraction: "CORRECTION: Unfortunately, the illustrations of edible and poisonous mushrooms were reversed on page 14 of our Sunday edition."

Sidelights: In the past, several of the readership of P&S has offered to aid in the financing of the zine in order to maintain it at the 8 or 10 page level. I appreciate all these offers very much, but money is not everything. Time required to build a ten page zine, even with tons of cartoons, is around 8 hours (for me). I would prefer to have an 8-10 page zine, if I could afford the time. I can't right now and so it will stay at 6-8 pages. Thank you all very much for the offers though. I will accept all contributions though....

John Baker seems to be the only one to really get a little use from my "WARNING" sign in the last issue. I do hope the IRS hasn't carried him off yet. Stay loose, John.

Terry Knowles didn't get in any press this time. He must have gotten his fingers caught in his typewriter. I wish he writespress next issue - Dave needs to be humored.

Keep the letters (and money) coming in,

Mike