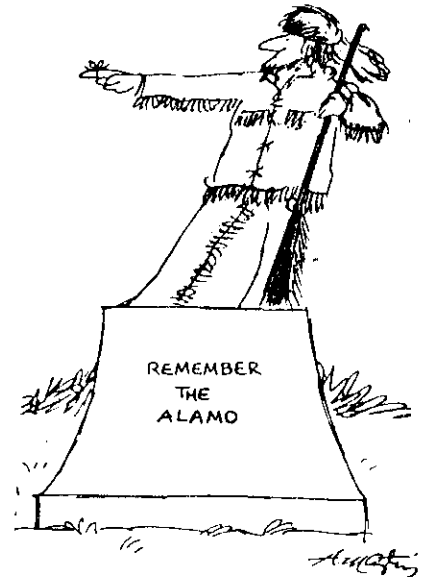


**** POLITESSE ****

 The official journal of the Washington Area Retinue of (Tacitly) Highly
 Organized Gamesters. Special dedication this issue, see last page.

GREETINGS!

Not much "chat" this month, due to some fairly ridiculous working hours these days. I know, this issue is more of a late-monthly than a mid-monthly. But that's the beauty of a 'zine with no postal games. Now, if you really want to do me in, sign up for our local postal dip offering. We now have four signed up: Ed Wrobel, Tom Andahl, Sean Vessey, and Nate Brown. Three more needed for blast off! My other up-front item involves a bit of self-criticism. While photocopying my first issue in December, I messed up the page order and had to do the whole thing twice. I figured that for the January issue a touch of overt pagination would make all the difference. Well, yes it did -- with a vengeance -- as you will find out on what would be pages 7 and 8. Never again...



HAVAGAME:

1829, Saturday March 2. See "Charm City Choo-Choo" inside for a report on the last 1829 game. I just can't praise the game enough, and Ed Fahremeier will once again serve as the ever-so-gracious host. The game begins about 11:00 am. Please arrive promptly, especially if you haven't played before. To get to Ed Fahremeier's, get on the Baltimore beltway -- from 95 you take the beltway west toward Towson -- and take exit 20 (Route 140, Reisterstown Rd.). Take Reisterstown Rd. in towards the city 2-3 miles past Reisterstown Plaza, then turn left onto Fords Ln. You're there at 4001 Fords Ln., Baltimore, MD 21215, (301) 358-8355. Please try to let Ed know ahead of time if you can make it, and expect the game to go until mid-evening.

Titan, Saturday March 16. That ever-so-allusive Dick Martin will be hosting a strictly-limited Titan fest. There's only room for five max, and the co-editors already attend to intend. Or whatever. Reservations will be necessary, so contact if you can: Dick Martin at 26 Orchard Way N., Rockville, MD 20854 (301) 762-1761.

Fools Games, Saturday April 13. Yes, the tradition continues. This year, we return to a one-day fest. Games are set to begin at 10:00 am and continue until whenever. Our foolish host is, of course, Ed Wrobel himself. We'll have direction next issue, but you have the address below.

***** Remember to set asise time for the big one-two punches this June: MaryCon (see newsletter inside) May 31-June 2, and Origins, the biggest national gaming con around, June 27-30. MaryCon will be at the ever-lovin' Mary Washington College in Fredricksburg, VA, and Origins will be at the U. of Md., Baltimore campus.

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HADAGAME!

mMC '85

by Ed Wrobel

miniMaryCon lived up to its prefix this year as vague rumors of potentially inclement weather discouraged attendees from the north and personal obligations detained key members of the Central Committee. Nevertheless, Baltimore Area Tusk Douglas P. Byrnes braved the trek southward on Interstate 95 in a rattletrap Plymouth Arrow sans floorboard, timing marks and gusto. Also joining Fredburgers Kellys, Warner and Hoffman were Southern Swineherd Phillip Dancause, McClean High School Dip Club head John Daniel and your humble correspondent. Fortuitously we were just 8, a prime number for World Diplomacy, our pre-planned event, but inadequate to staff a renegade game of Titan.

Thus, this writer was compelled to engage in two days of fruitless pleading and shameless toadying as a result of Dick Warner's single-minded determination to destroy the USSR and the Arab Block. It is clear that Dr. Warner is too consumed by the historic Russian quest for access to the Persoan Gulf to seek a marginally logical strategic course as the Red Menace In WD. And menace he was, indeed, as he hurled his forces hither and thither, lacking both rhyme and reason, until inevitably returning time and again to raid the Arab Block, only to lose his entire empire to Western European domination. And yet he himself had the opportunity to absorb all of northern and eastern Europe early in the game with the aid of an Arabian thrust into the soft underbelly. Black Africa had no interest in an attack on the Sahara, freeing the Arabs for a Mediterranean campaign. The apparent reason for Warner's refusal? He would not tolerate a Moslem Istanbul! (The Istanbul question was eventually resolved in the endgame by a Western European nuclear strike.)

The Western Europeans were more forthright in their opposition to the existence of an Arab state. In one season two European fleets and an army were constructed on the Med forcing an Islamic redeployment into Rome (which was promptly "nuked" by Hoffman. This madman launched the only two nuclear strikes in the game, both on or near his home soil! U.S. President Douglas P. Byrnes, who initiated the development of nuclear weapons, was sufficiently wise to dismantle those forces.)

In the west, a two-way alliance endured for several years with historically cautious players leading USA and South America (Doug Byrnes and Mike Kelly). Kelly eventually turned on Byrnes but the stab was inconclusive. The alliance structure in the Far East shifted more than once. Australia's apparent end-game center-chart ascendance is misleading as China had recaptured some home territory and USA/SAM resolved to bury the hatchet in Brisbane. Black Africa was the eventual leader in centers, having withstood an attack by South America, and established domain over the entirety of the Dark Continent.

In conclusion, I cannot find words sufficiently strong to condemn the dot-grabbing, manical, self-defeating, irrational, silly and short-sighted play of Dick Warner. It is widely recognized that typical Fredburger style is -- shall we be kind and say "more free-wheeling" -- than the norm but Warner carries this to absurdity. For your own safety, if you ever find yourself in a game with this man, organize a large-scale alliance and destroy him immediately.

((There you go again, Ed, cross-gaming. Tsk, tsk... Even the truth of your words can't obscure the sour grapes behind them, eh? Supply center chart, next page...))

(...HADAGAME, cont.)

miniMaryCon - World Diplomacy Supply Center chart

	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	
USA	9	11	11	14	15	15	17	15	14	Doug Byrnes*
SAM	7	9	10	11	11	13	12	11	11	Mike Kelly*
WER	8	11	13	8	8	9	11	13	12	Dan Hoffman*
ARB	11	12	9	9	9	7	5	5	2	Ed Wrobel
BAF	8	9	9	10	11	11	13	14	17	John Daniel*
RUS	10	7	6	9	7	5	3	2	1	Dick Warner
CHN	9	11	9	7	6	6	4	4	5	Matt Kelley
AUS	7	7	10	9	9	11#	12	13	14	Phil Dancause*
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					(Rome nuked)	(Cuba taken)			(Istan. nuked)	

*Draw participants

#Empire est. in China

Politesse Historical Document #102:

What is it, you wonder? Can you believe that Eddie-baby listed his activities in WARTHOG as a "Pertinent Outside Activity" when applying for a promotion in the Social Security Administration? Can you believe that this gained him an extra point in the application's evaluation? Furthermore, can you believe that he actually got the job??

EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS STATEMENT FOR POSITION VACANCY

(Please read instructions carefully before completing)

7. Pertinent Outside Activities(Refer to Factors and Weights for Position Vacancy)

Outside activities generally fall in the category of pertinent civic, welfare, service and organizational activity performed either with or without compensation. List all outside activities which you have participated in, and which you believe are relevant to the position for which you are applying, as mere membership alone will not be given credit. Please be specific as to your actual degree of participation. Include the amount of time (weekly, monthly, etc.) spent on these activities.

Began (Day, Yr.)	Date Ended (Mo., Day, Yr.)	Organization	Position Held	Describe Your Participation Briefly	Amount of Time Spent
7/84	present	Washington Area Retinue of Tacitly Highly Organized Gamesters	VP	As co-founder and co-leader of this organization for the play, development, and analysis of adult strategy games, I edit and publish our 24-page monthly newsletter, "Politesse" write game analysis, recruit new members, solicit articles from and encourage participation by current members and take part in testing of "World Diplomacy" a design by two of our members to be published in 1985.	Approx. 20 hours per month

To : All Shoats
From : Ministry of Health
Subject: Health Warning

WARTHOG has fallen under the evil influence of hex games. Two games in particular have insidiously infected the highest levels of the WARTHOG politburo. Prime Focus these games appear harmless, but they are the first step in a hexagon addiction. The two 'Tusoid Mars' of hexology are Titan and 1829.

Titan is a game of titanic struggles for power during the Nixon Administration. Players attempt to recruit the various denizens of politics into a army of supporters. The three pigeonholes of politics are well represented. There are warm-blooded liberals, cold-blooded conservatives, as well as, those that are a mix of both. Some highly prized recruits are the GuardPeel and the Wrobelock. The GuardPeel is known for its ominous presence, but suffers from a low skill level. The Wrobelock is an effective ronde striker with the poison pen. The contestants swirl around in endless polemic circles, standing either left or right, depending on the nature of the political landscape. A player's supporters engage in verbal and non-verbal conflict whenever two players' factions clash in the hexagone.

Titan has a cynical view of politics. Players are encouraged to believe that all politicians are combative creatures, who march only under lesion colors of convenience. The health danger of this game is that it makes hexes more acceptable. The user is encouraged to try harder hex games in search of more exciting thrills.

1829 traces the rise of exploitive capitalism in 19th century England. The players are capitalistic exploiters who struggle for the right to link the fair cities of England in economic chains. These chains are railroads which are used to squeeze money from the oppressed people. Further blood money is made by investing in each others' exploitations. The culmination of this game is when the player with the most assets sells out to the government and then calls for nationalization of the other players' assets.

The danger of this game is in the hexagon nature of the board, and the colorful "tiles" used to modify it. These "tiles" are actually hexagons!!! The exposure to, and opportunity to, fondle hexagons in the 16 hrs. it takes to play 1829 can led to severe hexagon addiction. Frequent users can experience a distortion of reality and a persistent desire to expose themselves to hexagons on a regular basis.

Fellow WARTHOGS are again reminded of the dangers of hexagon games. The dangers are an increasing addiction to hex games and the resultant search for greater stimulation, stimulation. Another danger is a reluctance to return to negotiational gaming of a non-hex nature. The Ministry of Health was shocked to learn that one leader of WARTHOG refused to play a non-hex negotiational game on at least two occasions in order to engage in hexagaming.

REMEMBER engaging in the intense, pleasurable stimulation of hexagaming can led to a long term addiction with far reaching effects on mental and physical health.

THE VICE PREMIER REPLIES

(RE: Unauthorized health warning by WAT Vessey, pseudo-Minister of Health)

WAT Vessey has, in the past, spewed forth some incisive and correct criticism of unfortunate behavior within the very highest levels of the WARTHOG bureaucracy. In the case at hand, however, he has clearly leapt directly into a deep quagmire of ideological confusion, mistaking form for substance, substituting feeling for thought and generally appearing quite silly.

We note only in passing his unauthorized and unilateral usurpation of the Ministry of Health Snout. This man is no more qualified to advise on health matters than is Marcus Welby, M.D. In lieu of serving raw vegetables and fruits at his gamefests, he stuffs his guests with the most offensive and addictive junk food imaginable, including M&M's, cinnamon dots mixed with nuts, potato chips and, yes... frankfurters!

But practicing medicine without a license, or at least a television series, is not the most egregious of Mr. Vessey's crimes. Nor do we censure this errant Tusk only for the practice and encouragement of the scourge of cannibalism within our family of Suidae. No, it is the sad state of this man's intellectual confusion which we condemn.

Vessey has glanced superficially the red flag of hexagonization and run willy-nilly about the countryside imagining subversion. He has forgotten the lesson taught to every little squeaker from the teat to the slop box: hexagons, per se, are not evil. Rather, it is the misuse of hexes by the military-industrial gaming complex to glorify the trappings of death and destruction and to overly complicate our pastimes that we reject.

Consider, for example, Holy Roman Empire, described as "a political-military game of the Thirty Years War, and playtested by Tuesday Night Army Group Nord" (obviously a fascist front organization). Vessey recently attempted to persuade me to take part in this allegedly negotiational exercise. NO WAY! This game has four types of cavalry alone. There are two forced march tables, a siege table and a table of strategic modifiers! Can you imagine how many chairs you would need to play this game? And that's even before you get to Section Roman Numeral XXII, Optional Tactical Combat, with the river table, bridge table, towns table, forest table and hill table! This game is a primary example of the spirit of hexagaming run amok.

It is our fervent hope that WAT Vessey will clean up his act, get his house in order and begin to recognize a dangerous glorification of the militarist tradition when his brother brings me over. Perhaps a few months in Gulag Alexandria would clear his mind of fuzzy revisionist thinking and restore a sharp, correct point to the Tusk who gave to WARTHOG the Pink Shoat Award. -ed.

THE PROVISIONAL PREMIER ADDS HIS TWO CENTS WORTH:

It grieves me to see that factionalism continues to infect the fraternal WARTHOG organization. Unless ideological correctness and unanimity is soon restored, we could become prey to treacherous plants within our collective being by insidious rivals such as the Wargamers, the ECC, or (gasp!) even Trekkies. It has become painfully clear that our own Washington Area Tusk, the right honorable Chairman of the Committee on Shoats and Pols, remains ideologically misguided, and I regrettfully concur with the Vice Premier in his call for drastic measures. Sadly, Mr. Vessey's tenure as an outpatient at the Re-education Clinic of Naylor, Alexandria has proven less than successful. Gulag Alexandria now seems the only hope. So be it. WAT Vessey, may your stay there be short, but illuminating. -ken.

CHERNENKO is **ALIVE** this week.

Listen, what's that sound? Why, it's a lonesome freight train wail, of course. And what's that a comin' round the bend? Why, it's the old

***** CHARM CITY CHOO CHOO *****

making another run across the pages of Ken Peel's Politesse into your gaming life, carrying a cargo of game reports, and self-promotional rambling, and engineered by me, Doug Byrnes.

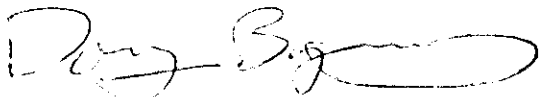
Remember last month when you were left wondering who would win the great Jan. 18 Rail Baron shootout? Well, Fast Eddie never had a chance. He and the rest of us (me, Tim Tilson and our host, Ed Fahrmeier) were outplayed by that legendary RB theorist, Matt Ellis. Even though this was a five player game, Matt managed to build an unstoppable system around the key PA and AT&SF lines, forcing the game to a rare early concession. Fortunately, I was able to avenge our loss in the trivia game that followed. The final question was "Which St. Louis Browns player holds the single season record for base hits?" When I said "George Sisler," Matt immediately claimed the answer was Rogers Hornsby. The record holder is Sisler with 257.

The Jan. 29 game of 1829 at Fahrmeier's attracted myself, Marty Ward and Bruce Poppe from Baltimore, and Ken Peel and Donald Sing from the Washington area. Fahrmeier adopted his usual strategy of heavy investment in the Midland Railway, thereby gaining the directorship of that centrally located company. Knowing how dangerous Ed can be with his favourite Midland, I put up a strong bid for it, too. The 30% I acquired meant that whenever Ed began to run up the profits, I would get a piece of the pie too. I also bought control of the London, Brighton and South Coast Railway, whose home station happens to be London-the biggest payoff on the board. At the end it was between me and Ed. He had purchased controlling interest in another railway-the Great Northren, but my LBSC had managed to construct lines enabling it to extract the London payoff twice per turn. Just as the game entered the final phase where earnings skyrocket and the well planned systems really roll in the dough, Fahrmeier screwed me. You see, each company controls a survey party. And survey parties can do all sorts of fun things, like lay track tying into other people's track so one can cash in on the other's hard work, or jump into any station they have a line to and claim that station for their company exclusively, which is precisely what Ed did to me. I'll see you next time, buddy. Anybody out there want to give 1829 a try? See HAVAGAME this issue.

I wish to thank the good professor Dick Warner for hosting a fine MiniMaryCon at Mary Washington College early this month. We played one game. We played World Diplomacy IV. We played it for two days, and if reality hadn't intruded and forced us back to our livelihoods, we might have played it for two more. My North America shared a 5-way draw with South America (Mike Kelly), Black Africa (John Daniel), Australia (Phil Dancause) and Western Europe (Dan Huffman). I was stabbed by Mike and Phil. I never stabbed anyone.

I feel I must set the record straight regarding Sean "Minister of Health" Vessey's letter elsewhere in this issue. In it he claims that because hexagons are a health hazard, 1829 is a health hazard too. Sean, the spaces on the 1829 board may look like hexagons, fit together like hexagons, be regular six-sided polygons, and seem to be very much in every way hexagons. But even a casual reading of the rules to this British game will reveal these spaces to be hexags, not hexagons.

Well, that's all folks. See you next time.



TALK TO MR. ED!

((Poli-Pub Peel here. The WrobelScript machine is presently in the shop, and I am doing the typing this month for my duple down Dale City way. I would like, however, to clear up an apparent misunderstanding. "Talk to Mr. Ed" is to be our regular letter column in these parts, and comments and kibitz should be directed to: Mr. Ed, 3932 N. Forestdale Ave., Dale City, VA 22193. I respectfully referred two items this month, including one from the horses mouth itself! But first...))

(Super Bowl Sunday, 1985)

FROM: Subscriber Shoat Senn
TO: PoliPubEd ~~Peel~~Wrobel
RE: Published Sentiment Regarding the Nasty Debt

The operational questions are now:

1. When will the government be forced, by the lack of ability to continue its present financing modus operandi, to repudiate major portions of its financial debt?
2. Which major portions will they be?
3. What can "I" do to alleviate the personal pain from the situation whin it arrives?

Speculations:

1. It will be at least 10 years from now.
2. Foreign corporations and individuals, and domestic corporations will bear the brunt of the repudiation. (In place of the word corporations insert "shareholders" and re-read the sentence. In place of the word corporations insert "shareholding people" and re-read the sentence.) Some punitive measures may be taken if a few "corporations" are viewed as having escaped losing their "fair share." Major oil companies and major defense contractors are the most likely targets.
3. Avoid the government's securities and likely target companies.

Mr. Ed replies:

Surely disturbing the unearned income of the god-fearing, share-holding people of this country would be a travesty akin to governmental subsidy of abortion on demand. Let's face it: shareholding people stimulate the economy by using their unearnings to purchase substantial items like automobiles, vacation homes and flights to Europe. What do welfare recipients do with their hand-outs? Purchase food, clothing, shelter, medical care, cheap whiskey and lotto tickets. Frankley, mon-and-pop grocery stores and slums are highly inefficient and represent a terrible drag on the economy. If we stopped subsidizing them with our hard-unearned income, they would simply go away, the Laughable Curve would rebound and the world would be safe for democracy (read: capitolism) and shareholding people!

Dear Ken,

January 20, 1985 (Super Sunday)

Yet another excellent issue of Politesse! I really don't see how we do it. Particularly impressive was the highly self-promotional "The Gossip Column." With so many fervent supporters supporters you could probably get away with blackmail or even murder (if not the threat thereof) and still find apologists!

I do have one marginally negative comment regarding your unauthorized and despicably conventional use of pagination. Surely you recall my deeply-held phobia

(Talk to Mr. Ed, cont.)

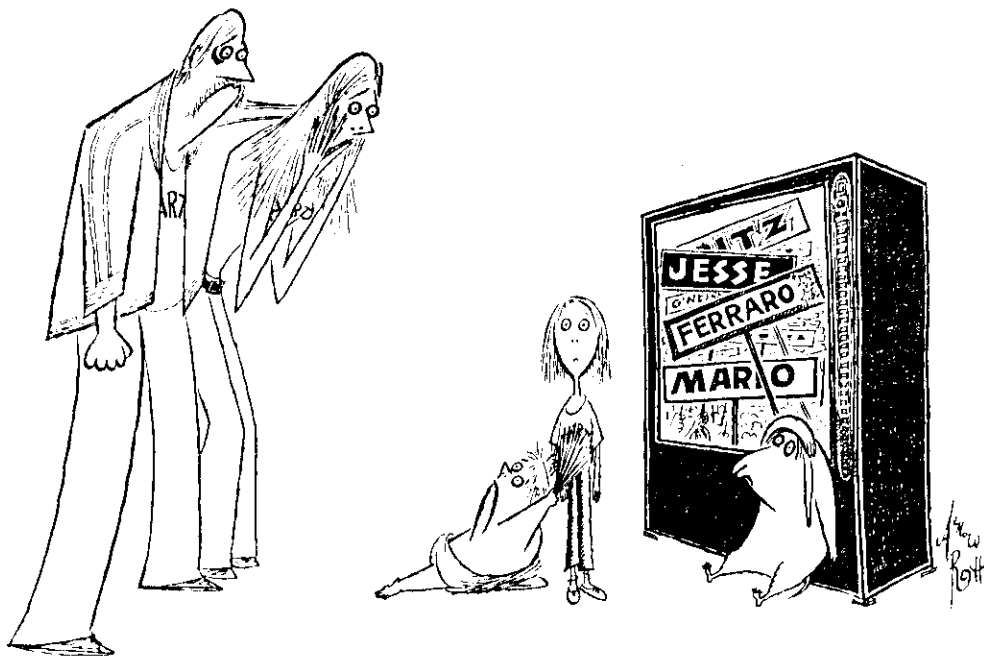
about enumeration of all types, whether to be paragraphs, pages or (gasp!) issues. I also call your attention to Mark Berch's trivia quiz which included reference to Politesse's unique eschewment of issuance enumeration and pagination. Are you trying to make Mark wout to be a liar?? Shame, shame. In any event, I shall be organizing minor elements withing the WARTHOG bureaucracy to turn back this insidious attempt to sully the pages of our journal with unnecessary and intrusive numerals. If we allow this insult to go unanswered, what can we expect next -- so-called "double" issues???

Sincerely, Ed

((If I may intrude again for a moment, you are quite right, Ed. I have just a few comments: 1. You can expect some timely self-criticism right up-front on page one of this second issue of Politesse's third year, and 2. I promise never, never, to put out a double issue and charge PoliSubbers double with either their, or your knowledge. -ken.))

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...and now, as a disilusioned Demo working for a marginal Republican, let me shere with you a dispapaging view of each major political party, brought to you (now how's this for poetic justice?) by The Progressive:



THE WASP DEMOCRAT PARENTS WHO, DURING THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION, INFORMED THEIR CHILDREN THAT THEY ARE NOT BLACK, HISPANIC, OR ETHNIC

ARNOLD ROTH





**THE REVEREND JERRY FALWELL:** 'This is a party dedicated to the liberation of the unborn.'



**SENATOR PAUL LAXALT:** 'This President will never desert the freedom fighters in Nicaragua.'



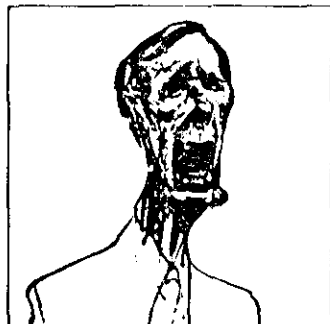
**DELEGATE:** 'If you're working for an employer who gives you equal pay, why do you need the ERA? I raised three children: I know!'



**DELEGATE AT READING OF PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** 'It kind of gives you that creepy feeling all over.'



**REPUBLICAN AT \$1,000-A-PLATE LUNCHEON:** 'How do you do? I'm from Washington, D.C., and Atlantic Richfield.'



**VICE PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH:** 'Grenada was a proud moment in the history of the United States of America.'



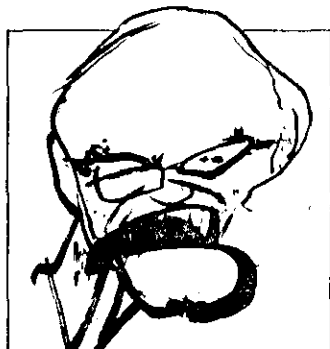
**ED ROLLINS, REAGAN-BUSH CAMPAIGN DIRECTOR:** 'Those Republicans [who don't agree with the Far Right platform] probably won't vote.'



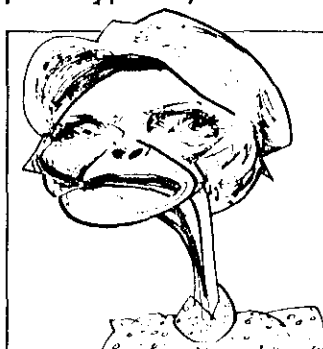
**ANNA CHENAULT OF ASIAN AMERICANS FOR REAGAN-BUSH:** 'There wasn't anything in the platform for us. We know where's the beef, but all we get is baloney.'



**SENATOR HOWARD BAKER:** 'Walter Mondale has nothing to offer successful America.'



**SENATOR BARRY GOLDWATER:** 'The Democrats said nicer things about the Soviet Union than about our own armed services.'



**NANCY REAGAN:** 'One more for the Gipper!'



**DELEGATE OUTSIDE THE HALL:** 'They ought to take them boat people down to Guantanamo Bay and help them out of the country with M-16s.'



**SENATOR STROM THURMOND:** 'We need Reagan to turn the country around completely.'



**PROTESTER WEARING MASK:** 'The names Ronald Wilson Reagan each have six letters. He's the anti-Christ—read your Bible, man!'



**GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN:** 'I sure feel better knowing that George Bush was director of the CIA.'



**WOMAN IN A FILM ABOUT REAGAN:** 'People who don't understand the President, it's their own fault. Maybe they don't have a television.'

Mini-Marycon 2/2-3/85

Mini-Marycon will be held on Saturday and Sunday, February 2-3, 1985. Starting time will be noon. Report to the History Department at Monroe Hall. The play will be devoted exclusively to nuclear scenarios of Mark Stegeman's World Diplomacy IV. For details contact: Dick Warner, Department of History, Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Va. 22401. Phone: office (703)899-4616, home (703)786-6789.

Vari-Marycon '85, 5/31/85

Vari-Marycon '85 will be held on the day before Marycon 85, Friday, May 31, 1985. The all variant contest will be managed by Greg Byrd. Tom Swider is chairing a reelection committee to choose a debate game. The debate game will be featured at Mini-Marycon '86 and will be played in final form at Vari-Marycon '86. Submissions for debate consideration should be sent to Marycon, 1309 Hanover Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401. Include a conference map and rules.

Marycon '85, June 1-2, 1985

Marycon '85 will be held on Saturday and Sunday, June 1-2, 1985. Few changes have been made except that there will be an official gunboat contest in the Pub Saturday evening. Details will be explained at the Con.

Cost Increases

Veterans will note that costs have risen for both Vari-Marycon and Marycon. This is due to the following circumstances:

1. Losses incurred at Marycon '83 and Marycon '84.
2. Huge increases in the cost of rooms and meal plans for 1985, including a five dollar per day charge for all participants for use of college facilities.

We would like to upgrade the quality of the Con and to have suitable financial resource to prepare for the possibility of hosting DipCon '86. Local players will be required to pay (in advance) for two meals at each Con. This will speed up play and will insure accountability.

MaryCon Conditions for Hosting DipCon '86

MaryCon is gratified by its frequent mention as a site for the 1986 DipCon Tournament and is confident that it can host a superior and profitable national contest. The following conditions will be offered for consideration to the DipCon Committee:

1. The tournament must be held on the MaryCon date, the first weekend in June, and that all promotion must feature MaryCon as host.
2. All local arrangements, lodging, meal plans, entertainment by MaryCon.
3. All promotion and operation of the DipCon tournament (i.e., advertisement, rules, gamemastery, scoring, awards, etc.), be the responsibility of the DipCon Committee.
4. That all funds for expenses and registration be handled by MaryCon and that DipCon place a per capita surcharge to be collected by MaryCon and delivered to the Dipcon committee before the end of the Tournament.
5. That Vari-MaryCon and a MaryCon Tournament of Champions would be held the Friday before the DipCon Tournament and that awards for these tournaments will be featured at the DipCon Award Ceremony.

*Approved by MaryCon etc*  
*Dick*

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WARTHOG and Politesse serve the east coast multi-participational non-wargaming community, especially the beloved Baltimore-Washington area. This issue is dedicated to that grand golden-age dipster who put Silver Spring on the map. He's a shy type, and hasn't yet attended one of our local games, but as the rabble-rouser behind that great old time 'zine, Le Front du Liberation du Diplomacy, we all owe a debt of gratitude to the one and only, Bernie Oaklyn. I know when I first joined the organized Diplomacy community, quite a few individuals joked with me about whether I was but another diabolical incarnation of Uncle Bernie.

We want you to know, Bernie, that from now on your money's no longer any good around here. Yes, the co-editors of Politesse hereby confer upon you a (more or less) lifetime subscription! May the 'zine serve you well, and we all hope you can attend one of our games some day, have a little fun, and share with us some of your juicy stories from days gone by. Congratulations!

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