

Politesse

Politesse is the publication-of-record of the Washington Area Retinue of (Tacitly) Highly-Organized Gamesters. Ken Peel currently publisher and managing editor. Ed Wrobel, founder and cheshiring contributing editor. December, 1985

Issue #34

GREETINGS!

This issue inaugurates a period of change, as WARTHOG moves into its holiday slowdown. Ed Wrobel, Politesse's founder and current co-editor, has expressed his desire to bow out of official involvement with the publication, which will become effective next issue. After all this time, Ed certainly deserves to bask in the golden retirement of simple shoatdom.

Therefore, the PoliStaff is in acute need of a new volunteer. But, a year after I took over at this establishment, I am looking for someone who will not just replace Ed as contributing editor, but who will assume major artistic control of the magazine. I am willing to stay on in the technical capacity of publisher (as long as the committee's xerox machine holds out) and as a contributing editor myself. The new editor, however, would prepare and assemble the originals of Politesse each month, and would pass them on to me for duplication and distribution. The new editor would have the final say in the 'zine's contents, and would have as his or her basic responsibility the front page, HAVAGAME, HADAGAME, the back page, and love of the soapbox.

These changes are necessary because I have become increasingly unable to keep up with Politesse matters in a regular rhythm due to the deadly combination of an unpredictable work schedule and chronic procrastination. In the months ahead, as we move toward a climatic DipCon/MaryCon in late May/early June, my time constraints may become even more severe. I am now the only local representative on the DipCon Administrative Committee (Ed has resigned his position there as well and has nominated the very capable Greg Ellis as his replacement). You will find more information on DipCon inside in a new column ever-so-tentatively entitled "DipCon News."

Along with the anticipated change in managing editorship of this establishment, it seems appropriate to make a few more changes. So why not help the new team serve your interests better? Loyal shoats everywhere will find enclosed the most stupendous, colossal, awe-inspiring -- only -- survey form ever seen in these parts. As yet another indication of our martyr-like devotion to the good of the PoliSubber, you will notice that the survey is pre-addressed with return postage already applied. Let's all have a meeting of minds on the astral plane and make this a touching, sharing experience, eh? Hell, fill out the damn form.

HAVAGAME:

Although Kevin Kozlowski was talking about a revised-rules attempt to get Supremacy off the life support system, I haven't heard any details. If you're interested in attempting to punch this game into shape, you should get in touch with Kevin at: 2401 E. Northern Pkwy., Baltimore, MD 21214.

((More HAVAGAME, next page...))

Politesse is published and edited by Ken Peel. But this next line could contain your name next month if you take action on the managing editor opportunity above! Since I will still be doing the publishing in any case, still feel free to subscribe at the low, low rate of 39¢ per issue. Send money to Ken Peel, 8708 First Ave., #T-2, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Tel# (301) 495-2799.



((...HAVAGAME, cont.))

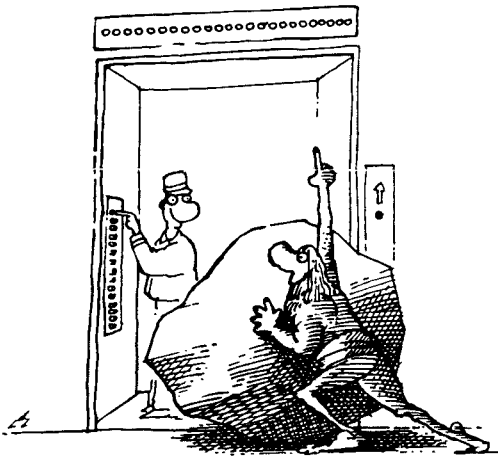
Steve Nicewarner, 3339 N. Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21218, is putting together a game of Machiavelli. The time is still flexible. If you are interested in playing this great game of diplomatic and military intrigue in renaissance Italy, drop Steve a note, or give him a call at (301) 243-2775 [school] or (301) 635-2193 [home].

miniMariCon, the WARTHOG-area Diplomacy happening of the winter, is rumbling down the tracks once again! It is planned, as usual, for the weekend after the Superbowl at Mary Washington College in Fredricksburg, VA. I believe that mMC will once again feature the global Diplomacy variant designed by Mark Stegeman: World Diplomacy. This will be a good warm up for variMaryCon, the Friday, May 30 variant tournament that will kickoff MaryCon/DipCon. If interested in a couple of exciting world-dipping days, contact Dick Warner, RR 8, Box 99, Fredricksburg, VA 22401, (703) 786-6789. Informal accomodations will be available from the Fredburgers for out-of-towners, so make your reservations today! Or, if you prefer, cool your burners for a few more weeks, and we'll have more info on mMC next issue.

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--DIPCON NEWS--

Things are looking up!



Petricic/Nin/Belgrade

As already reported, Ed Wrobel has resigned from the DipCon Administrative Committee, which is now comprised of Pete Gaughan, Greg Ellis, and me. Ed will be sorely missed. It was through Ed's efforts that MaryCon won the bid to host DipCon. But even more, without Ed's work over the over the past few years, MaryCon might not have gotten off the ground in the first place.

MaryCon/DipCon will be held on the campus of Mary Washington College in Fredricksburg, VA from May 30 through June 1. In my humble opinion, MaryCon/DipCon will be one of the seminal east coast Diplomacy events ever. Already some of the best-known dipsters from around the country are planning to make the scene, which will make MaryCon/DipCon a true national event, and will fulfill DipCon's mission of being the annual Diplomacy national championship.

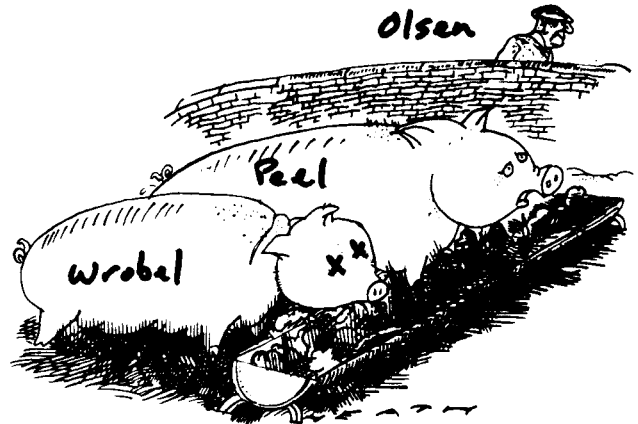
One of the most exciting developments is that Allen Calhamer, the creator of the game, hopes to be able to attend. Mr. Calhamer expects his plans to firm up sometime in February. Rex Martin, the editor of Avalon Hill's professional gaming magazine, The General, plans to attend as well. Other notables attending include Malcolm Smith (UK hobbyist via Norway) and Simon Billinnes (UK hobbyist via New York), Larry Peery (editor of Diplomacy World), Bruce McEntyre (Vancouver, BC publisher), oh, and lots, lots more from every region of the country.

I'll have more on the tentative schedule in future months, but those planning to attend MaryCon/DipCon are encouraged to arrive on Friday or Friday evening, May 30, because of the extra events, seminars, and gaming opportunities that will be available this year. The committee has not yet decided on the format and scoring system for the DipCon tournament, so if you have any ideas, contact Pete Gaugan, who is taking over from Ed as DipCon Committee chairman and publisher of the committee newsletter, at 3121 E. Park Row, #171A, Arlington, TX 67010. The next newsletter, which will be out in January, can be obtained for a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

FROM: Bob Olsen, Great Babirusa
 TO: All shoats of the embattled and troubled WARTHOG

Loyal shoats,

Nothing is more disturbing to your Babirusa than the dismal record racked up by the last two issues of Politesse; and if thee's one thing worse than the savage and vicious Olsenbashing of the September issue, it is most assuredly the absence of my name from the pages of the October number. Over the past weeks I have pondered profoundly on the problems (note ideologically correct alliteration) facing WARTHOG, and now must speak out; for it is my finding that our organization is, sad to say, rife with ideological error from top to bottom.



"No work, all you can eat, lots of sleep — there's got to be a catch."

Let no one think I speak out merely against "Fast" Eddie "Straw Man" Wrobel, though this miscreant most ssuredly is personally responsible for most of the world's problems, including, but not confined to, WARTHOG's total failure to establish a Fargo area tusk; the departure of Tom Italo from the Diplomacy hobby; and of course the decline and fall of the Inca Empire. No, indeed, for though Ed is undoubtedly the worst, even our exalted Provisional Premier, Ken "Lactose-saturated crispy bread" Peel, has fallen into the worst sort of thinking.

I refer specifically to the September Politesse, wherein PPP referred to my humble and innocuous publication, Masters of Deceit, as a (pardon the obscenity but this is what he said) "project." Thus we see Peel flagrantly embracing the worst sort of running-dog counterrevolutionary Sacksism! MOD is not a "project," and I'll gore the first pig who calls me a "Custodian!" Though I pride myself on my torpid indifference to slurs and sanders of all sorts, this I cannot and will not permit. Peel, I want a retraction of this slur ((okay, I retract forgetting to point out your saint-like hobby service custodianship)); the phrase "Masters of Deceit is not a project and Bob Olsen is not a custodian and I am totally without redeeming merit" written 200,000 times in Ken Peel's handwriting will suffice. ((I thought these things are traditionally written in the demander's handwriting.))

Sadly, Peel's inexcusable indiscretion pales into (relative) insignificance when contrasted with the actions and unbridled ambition of our power-grabbing "Supreme Commander of DipDom," Ed Wrobel. In the course of a lengthy Olsenbashing diatribe in the September issue, Wrobel refuted my very sensible and politely-worded suggestions with words to the effect that "to include all games in the Silly Games category is to destroy the very category of Silly Games" ...or some such nonsense. Well, I never said that! I never suggested including "all games" as Silly Games; in fact, the very act of blindly yielding to the compulsion to categorize games as this and that is itself an attempt to impose a totalitarian megastructure which can only lead to further ideological errors and mental blunders! No wonder our previously-revered Ed now styles himself "Alpha Male," "Supreme Dictator" and all the rest. Thus we observe the grim fate of a former innocent who has once set his goof on the organizational/ categorizational/Sacksian road.

If there are bats in the belfry, what shall we find in the basement? Only more bats. It is my belief that the rank and file, the loyal humble shoats, and the middle management of WARTHOG, up to and including the Tusks, have failed of their obligations in not facing up to the problems posed by the erroneous attitudes of Peel and Wrobel. therefore I am calling for immediate and sty-wide revolution to throw the rascals out and put new rascals in restore WARTHOG to its rightful state of intellectual pre- eminence and ideological correctness. And though the burden be heavy and the demands on my time are enormous, yes, loyal shoats, I am willing to (temporarily or course) provide experienced and right-thinking leadership during the interim period until the much-delayed elections are finally held.

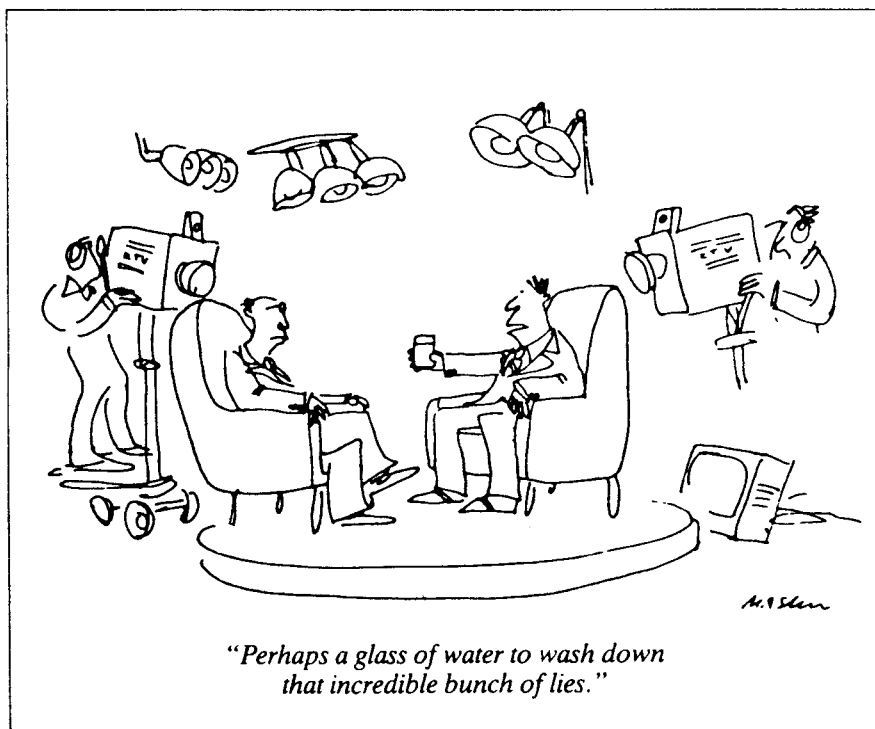
During the early days of the (pardon the expression) New Order, it is my intent to solve several of the great mysteries of life, which must surely yield their secrets to the formidable massed intellects of the assembled shoats. For example, the biggest mystery in DipDom today is: what happened to page two of Larry Peery's 9/17/85 letter about that Titanic of Dipland, Diplomacy World? Poitesse is now the second zinny I've seen which has suppressed this page, thus indicating the increasing arbitrariness of Peel's ham-nanded editing ((I try my best!)).

In conclusion, Loyal shoats, I am appealing for support in my campaign to bring ideological correctness and some semblance of decorum back to the upper echelons of our organization. Ask yourselves, my friends: are you better off now than you were when the Peel-Wrobel administration began? Is your tail as curly? Are our leaders useless fellows or proper truffle-making swine?

Have you been slopped lately? Think about it.

Snort snort,

Bob Olsen,
Babirusa



MEMORANDUM

From: Ed Wrobel, A Simple Shoat

To: Premier Peel

The great outpouring of support for me from numerous shoats in the last issue of Politesse is deeply gratifying. I was particularly touched by the concern over the authenticity of my current identity. Allow me to assure all loyal shoats everywhere that I am indeed me, unsullied by alien influences from another dimension (such as southern California, which is more than can be said for a certain premier). There is no necessity to boil me in a vat or to inspect the contents of my skull, although I appreciate the ingenuity of shoatdom with respect to these unique and creative solutions to a nonexistent problem. Go sit on a tusk. *(Ed, you always have that way with words... -lan)*

In view of my resolve to return to the life of an innocent swinelet, I must decline the premier's offer to return to me my rightful titles. WARTHOG is strong and well. It is time for Mr. Ed to slow down, relax and enjoy a little time out to stud. Anybody for a quick game of Titan?



THE DIPLOMAT TIMES

"since the turn of the century"

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December 1, 1985

GM and EDITOR: Jeff Close, 4850 Conn.Ave NW #212W Wash, DC 20008

DIP-TIMES GAMES GET BOARDMAN NUMBERS!!! (Diplomat Times) April 10, Washington - Jeff Close, the eccentric Editor and Publisher of The Diplomat Times, announced Thursday the receipt of two Boardman Numbers for games 1-85 and 2-85. He was quoted at his press conference, "I can't tell you how glad I was to get these ... I hate those goddamn code numbers."

The new number 1985CU replaces game 1-85, and game 2-85 is renamed 1985CO.

TSAR ANNOUNCES NEW GOVERNMENT RESIDENCE (REUTERS, 1985CO) April 12, Moscow -

The Russian Tsar, Tom Andahleyev, has announced a move of the official Russian diplomatic corps and cabinet. The new residence is:

Tom Andahl
1334 Mayflower Dr.
McLean, VA 22101

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The DEADLINE for DT #12 is December 27, 1985, at Noon.

ENGLISH ROYAL FIRST INFANTRY STORMS KIEL (UPI, 1985CU)

April 14, Berlin - In a daring and skillful operation, the British First Royal Infantry stormed the coastal city of Kiel from the southern Ruhr province, where it had been stationed for the past year.

The army's failed attempt to re-occupy Belgium last season apparently misdirected the German high command.

The defeat to Germany came just at a time when Germany seemed capable of rebuilding itself.

Kaiser Kartoffeln-Gardner commented to a DT correspondent in Berlin yesterday, "This really stinks. First they camp out in the Ruhr and harass our factory workers, and now -- now I can almost hear them playing cricket!" (see AIRLIFT, p.10)

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TSAR KLOSOV ANNOUNCES ANOTHER MOVE; PLANS TO FORM MOBILE GOVERNMENT (Moscow News Agency, 1985CU) Moscow, April 12 -

Gregori Klosov, the Tsar of Russia, announced yet another move for his government. He added that he plans to set up the new government in rail cars to allow for future moves. The new address is:

Greg Close
1629 Columbia Rd.NW
Washington,DC 20009

THE MYSTIC, THE MAN: A PROFILE OF TURKEY'S AL-VESSIYA (UPI, 1985CO) April 14, Washington -

This is the second [and hopefully .. god help us please .. the last - Ed.] in a series of articles on Turkey's Sean Al-Vessiya.

I met with Al-Vessiya at his palace in Ankara. He sat by the window, gazing out at the fields of red wildflowers, stroking and talking to his dogs "Poppy" and "Opie".

(see NARCS, p.20)

Happy holidays! I hope everyone had as restful a Thanksgiving as I did. I enjoyed this turn's moves in both games (which, you may notice, have Boardman numbers now). There are some interesting things brewing.

This turn there were some postal screwups (or something) and I didn't get all orders promptly. I really want to get back on a tighter schedule, so please send in early sets, duplicates, or whatever, to assure that I get yours on time next turn. Also please notice the two address changes on page one.

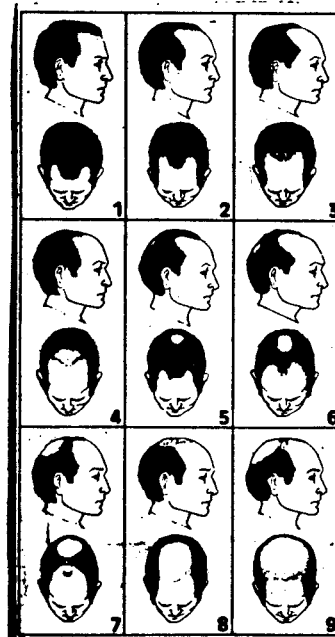
FOF QUIZ: This one's for Trekkies: who said the following, to whom did he or she say it, and about whom was he/she speaking?

"Sir, we are at the hands of an adolescent."

Last issue I introduced the Diplomat Times "Scoop", an attempt to recognize and reward players or readers for their contributions. For those of you who didn't read it, "scoop" is journalist's parlance for snatching up a story before anyone else. I don't think the word is really used, but it sounds good. Right now I would like to award a few scoops, ex post facto, for past deeds:

To Paul Gardner, (Germany, 1985CU), 4 scoops, 2 for being a standby and 2 for great press; 1 scoop to Doug Brown (England, 1985CU) for some really good tactics, 2 to Rick Kohman (Austria, 1985CU) for standby, 1 to Meredith Minter (Turkey, 1985CU), for her perserverance (you used to

have great press - where is it?) and for always sending a stamp, 1 to Ed Wrobel (England, 1985CU) for his prompt orders which I fail too often to acknowledge, 1 more to Meredith Minter (Italy, 1985CU), for good play and success at spreading Roman culture throughout the Western Mediterranean, 2 to Sean Vessey (Turkey, 1985CU), for good press and his handwriting, and finally, 1 to Nate Brown (Austria, 1985CU), for what little else there is of press in 1985CU. I haven't yet decided what I'll do with these when anyone gets a lot of scoops. Maybe a neat prize, like free postage, choice of country, or a Baskin Robbins gift-certificate.



GAME 1985CU

SPRING, 1904

AUSTRIA (Kohman):

A BUD-tri S by A VIE, A rum-BUL S by A SER, A gal-RUM

ENGLAND (D.Brown):

A ruh-KIE S by F HOL, F DEN-swe, F ech-BEL S by F NTS, F NAD-mao

FRANCE (Bienvenu):

F mao-IRI, F BRE-mao, A GAS-bre, A PIC-bel, A BEL S G.A mun-ruh

GERMANY (Gardner):

A mun-RUH, A KIE-den/d/ S by F BAL, A TRI H

ITALY (Ellis):

A ALB-gre, F adr-ION, F ion-EME, A VEN S G.A tri

RUSSIA (G.Close):

F NOR-swe, F stp(nc)-BAR, A MOS & A UKR S A SEV H, A WAR S A UKR

TURKEY (Minter):

F BLA & A ARM S A.A rum-sev /NSO/, A bul-GRE S by F AEG

AROUND THE WORLD:

Rome to New Archduke: Welcome, Welcome, Welcome! I know the Austrian people would call for revolution eventually! The time has come for Austria and Italy to become the allies they should have been in the first place!

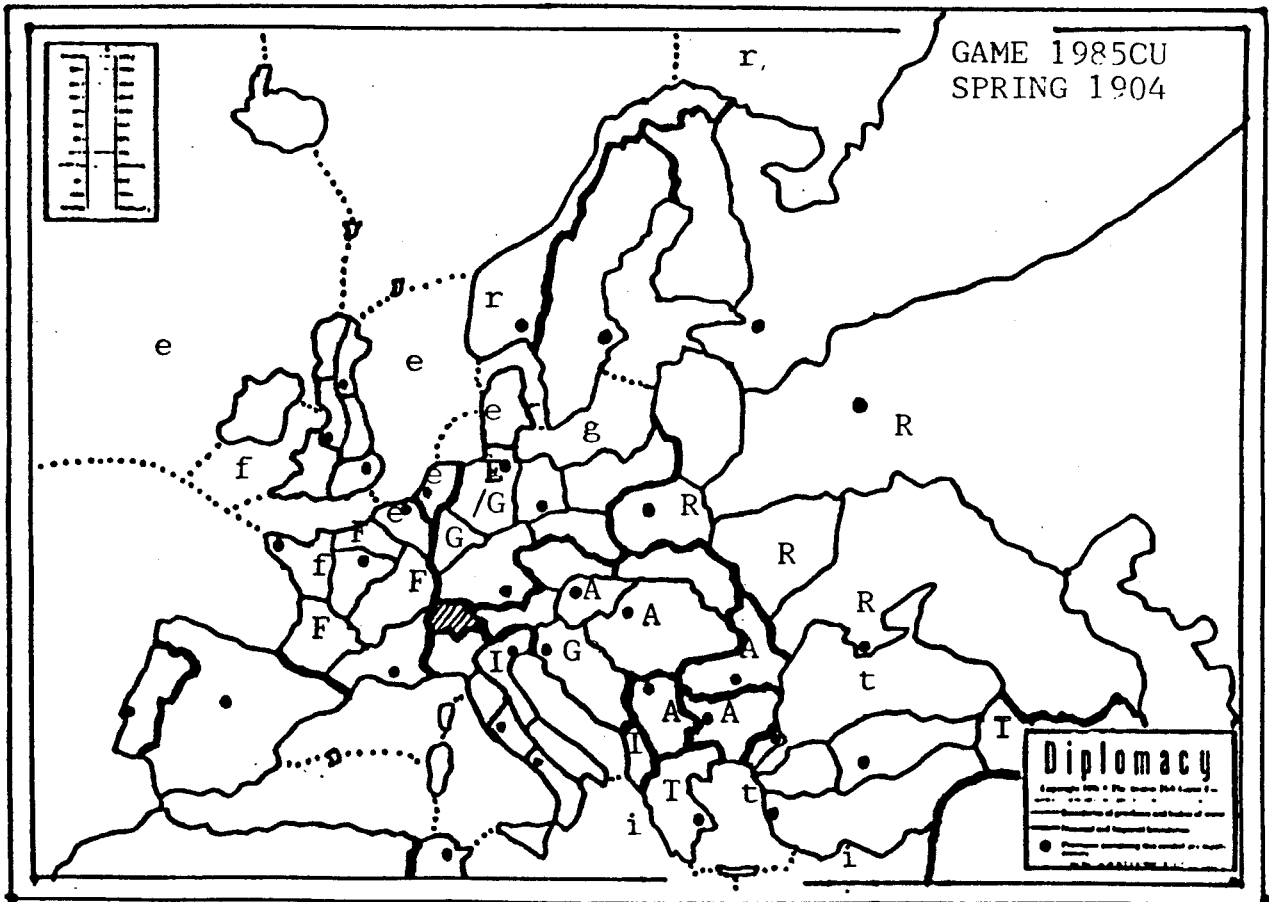
Italy to Russia: I really wish you'd write or call.

Ellizio to J. Daniel (wherever you are): Believe it or not, but I'll bet I'm as glad that you're out of this game as you are...

GM to World: Let's not get nasty.

DATELINE VIENNA:

In a more-or-less expected coup last week, Kaiser Franz-



AROUND THE WORLD, con't.

Johann has been deposed in favor of Kaiser Kohman, Arch-Duke of Transylvania and Baron of Bela-Lugosia. The coup was relatively bloodless (as is the corpse of the ex-Kaiser). The new Monarch (one each, Dual-Type) held his first international press conference yesterday. The highlights of this conference follow:

London Times: "Herr Kaiser, what was the major cause of the old Kaiser's downfall?"

K.K.: "The best interests of Austria and Hungary were not being served, due to Johann's paranoia. There is little reason to be paranoid merely because everyone is out to get you."

Constantinople Courier:

"Sahib Kohman, how will the new regime differ in its relations with Turkey?"

K.K.: "That all depends on the Sultana. We are shipping Johann's body to her via Bulgaria, with whom she make whatever negotiations she desires (he's in no position to argue!)"

Pravda: "And what about the Tsar Closov?"

K.K.: "Excellent question! When you find the answer, will you please let ME know?"

Le Enquiriere Nationale:

"You have been reported nuzzling both male and female necks. Are you 'Gay', or 'Bi', or what?"

K.K.: "Guards! Take him to the Guillotine (the dull, rusty one) and castrate him!"

The Munchen Munchkin: "Does Herr Kaiser view the Deutsche

army in Trieste with contempt?"

K.K.: "Nein! That gadfly is beneath our contempt!"

The Roamin' Roman: "Do you foresee better relations between Austria and Italy?"

K.K.: "Undoubtedly! King Ellizio has promised not to wear his silver cross in our presence, and to refrain from eating his garlic sandwiches during future negotiations."

The Swiss Yodeller: "Can the world expect an end to Austria's notorious 'monstrous' behavior and 'dark dealings'?"

K.K.: "I'm sorry, gentlemen, but no more questions, please! We must retire ... the sun is about to rise. However, one final statement (and you can quote me on this): 'Should Austria survive the current turmoil in Europe, it shall be solely because of our wise and conscientious leadership. If she should fall to outside Imperialistic Forces, it's nobody's fault but Franz-Johann.' Good Morning, Gentlemen."

TYROLIA: Winter had been a long and trying affair for the Butler and his staff at the royal summer palace. The place was great for a summer vacation for all, but now it had been eight months, much of the time shut in by heavy winter storms and deep snow. They had all experienced more than a little cabin fever which was compounded by the Kaiser's absence. No word of him had reached them since his departure in September. Their worries and concerns had lightened briefly with the

AROUND THE WORLD, continued melting of the snow and reappearance of the sun (except for the Butler, who couldn't forget). But the respite had been brief as the spring rains set in and spirits again plummeted.

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DEADLINE

for SUMMER (retreats after this Spring) and FALL, 1904 is December 27, 1985, at Noon. There is only one single retreat (A KIE), so I won't allow a separation of turns. Don't NMR!

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GAME 1985CO

SPRING, 1903

AUSTRIA (N. Brown):

A SER-rum S by A BUD, A GAL-war, F TRI H

ENGLAND (Wrobel):

F NWY S R.F bot-swe, A LON-hol C by F NTH, A bel-PIC S by F ECH S by F IRI

FRANCE (Nicewarner):

F mao-NAO, A bur-BEL S by F PIC/d/

GERMANY (Oaklyn):

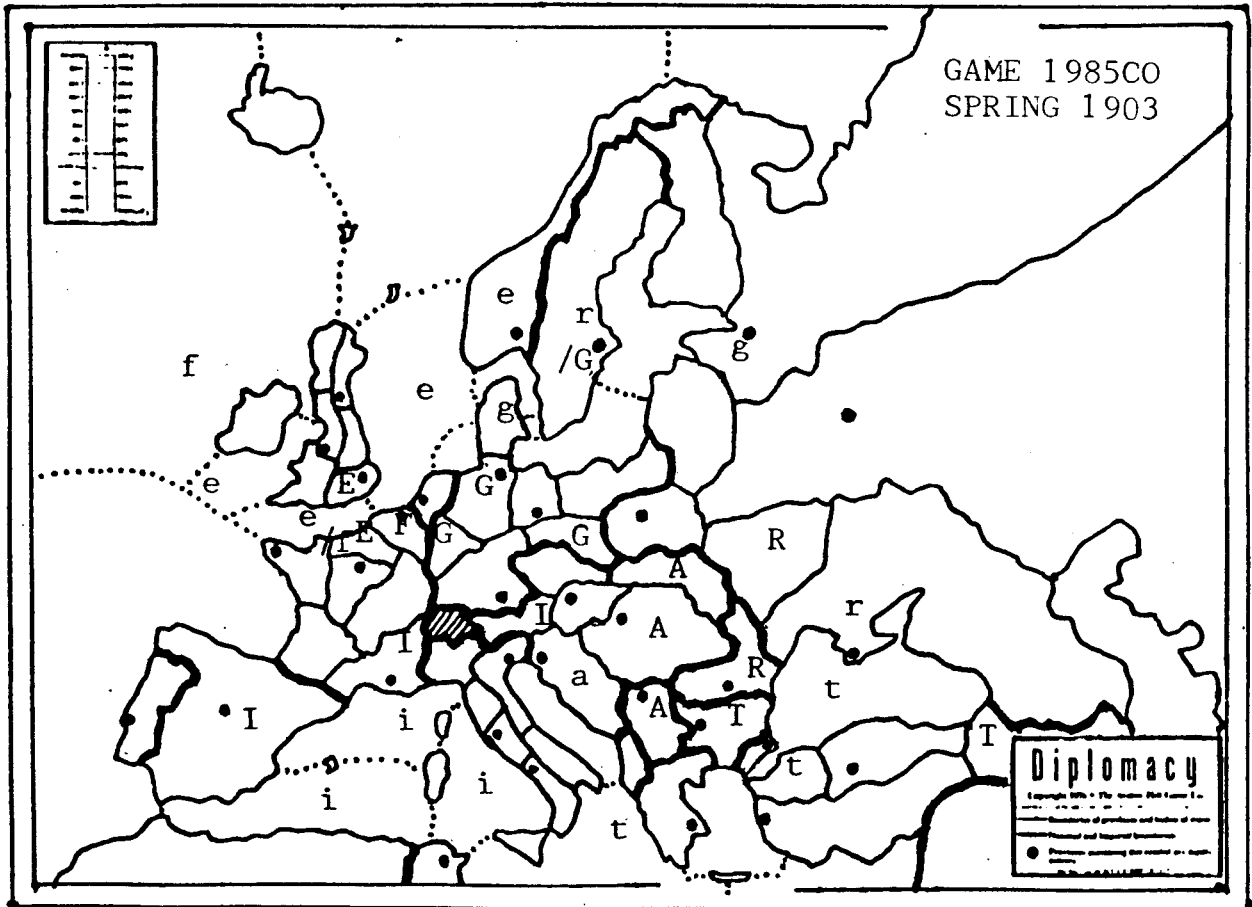
A mun-RUH, F bal-DEN, A KIE-hol, A SIL-war, A SWE/d/ & F STP(sc) H

ITALY (Minter):

F spa(sc)-WME S by F TYN, A mar-SPA, A pie-MAR S by F GOL, A ven-TYA

RUSSIA (Andahl):

F bot-SWE, A UKR-war, A RUM S F SEV S A RUM



AROUND THE WORLD:

Anon to England: Speaking of memory lane, I also remember Tally Dip, where your press eventually caused your game to collapse. Paybacks are a bitch.

Anon to Russia & France: Oh, well.



(UFF) Istanbul: A man was torn to pieces by an angry mob in the marketplace. The incident took place when the man claimed he had written authorization from the Sultan to take anything for free. "My people know I cannot write," said Sultan AlVessiya. The Foreign Offices in England, Germany, and Austria-Hungary denied any implications of a plot to undermine the Sultan's regime before the question was even raised by the press.

Austria to Italy: Did it work?

Austria to Germany: Be forewarned: Any move against Italy will result in the wrath of the Austrian peoples, and your sentence of listening to one million Strauss waltzes will not be pleasant.

Vienna Daily News Headline: FORGERY SCANDAL ROCKS EUROPE!

A forgery ring specializing in diplomatic correspondence has been traced to London. The trail of guilt ends squarely at #10 Downing St. and the office

of the Prime Minister, Ed Wrobel.

An Austrian Intelligence officer spotted the postal instructions on the forged document pictured (Exhibit A - GM.), a declaration of war, and the investigation followed. Intelligence sources also revealed that a second forgery attempt, this time on correspondence between Austria and Russia and sent as a copy to Turkey, contained the codeword "OMEGA", which is seen on the Austrian correspondence enclosed (Exhibit B - GM.) and was used only in correspondence with England.

When confronted with these facts through diplomatic channels, Wrobel launched a scathing personal counter-attack to cover his ineptitude (Exhibit C - GM.). The stock denials serve only to confirm his guilt.

The lowest form of diplomatic perfidy is being carried out by the English government. This journal can voice only the facts. Foreign leaders must decide for themselves the worthiness of such a man.

GM to World: What in the world is going on here?

DEADLINE

for SUMMER (retreats after this Spring) and FALL, 1903 is December 27, 1985. Turns may not be separated, as the retreats are quite simple (each involves a single retreat route or disbandment). NO NMRS!!!



Nate Brown
11123 20th N.
TAMPA, FL. 33612

[EXHIBIT A] (BACK)
Massie,
Post Mail
APR 10-25-95
B.D.

[EXHIBIT A] (FRONT)

TO ALL THIS MAY CONCERN

Whereas, The Austrian Monarch did actively seek and plan the downfall of the Turkish Empire, and

Whereas, The Austrian Monarch did refuse to promote or consider the Turkish Empire's expansion either north of Austria or southwest of Austria, and

Whereas, The Austrian Monarch did refuse to agree to the joint partition of civilized Europe with the Turkish Empire et others, and

Whereas, The Austrian Monarch did encourage repressive acts on the indigenous Turkish population in his domains,

Therefore, It is the will of Allah, and his servant, the Sultan, that a state of war is declared between the glorious Turkish Empire and Austro-Hungarian Empire on this date April 1, 1903.

10/15/85

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Museum of England Sp'23
Ed,

"Believing themselves to be wise,
they became fools" Romans, the New
Testament

My how clever we are! First
a forged letter from Russia to
Turkey enclosing a forged ~~passport~~
passport from Austria to Turkey. You
should have remembered that I used
different passwords w/each player, and
your missive of 29 Apr. "It's rather
loose with his correspondence..."

Then a forged declaration of war
from Turkey to me. Might have
asked Maggie to remove the note
telling her when to mail it.

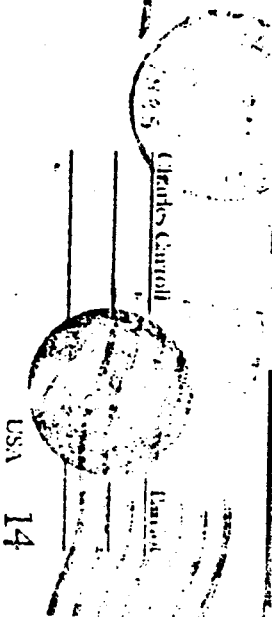
Times are hard and luck cruel.
My how clever we are!

OMEGA

[EXHIBIT C]

N BROWN
11123 RIET N
TAMPA FL 33612

ED WOBESZ
3932 N. FORESTDALE AVE
DATE CIV, VA 22193



1562 USPS

Make -

Is this Christian sarcasm?

I don't know what this is all
about but if there was a note in
the parbortally to Maggie telling
her to mail it... well, my foot could
see it's a set-up. But then you're
not just my foot, are you? You're
one who falls hook, line and sinker
for such chock-thruism. So be it.

I play this game by attempting to
make alliances that are of mutual
benefit. I hadception to a minimum
and I don't use cheap tricks at all.

I'm returning your postcard to
refuse your memory about how much
it was, just in case you think I've
been too sarcastic in my reply.

Don't complain to me that you're
not getting enough mail.

[EXHIBIT C]

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10-21-85

THE CONGRESSIONAL PAGE

If it's 10:00 p.m. and its recess, God only knows, but not likely either in the district or Washington. Let me tell you the story of a certain Congressman Solarz who has planned a trip literally around the world. It starts in New York. The first stop is somewhere in Europe, and it continues at wild abandon on to Turkey, Israel, Egypt, Burma, Thailand, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Hawaii, and back. Nice. Hmm... Notice how most of the stops are, as they say, warm water ports this time of year.

Oh yes, Politesse serves the mid-Atlantic multi-participational gaming community, particularly the Baltimore-Washington area. Politesse is insidiously controlled by the PolitBuro of the Washington Area Retinue of (Tacitly) Highly-Organized gamesters (but keep that under your hat) and is loosely affiliated with the Pennsylvania Gaming Board, the Kansas Gaming Board (in absentia), and a partridge in a pear tree.

And yes, oh yes, happy holidays to loyal shoats everywhere! Take it easy, have fun, and subvert an ideologically-incorrect neighbor today.



It's 10pm....

Do you know where your Congressman is?

POLITESSE
c/o Ken Peel
8708 First Ave., #T-2
Silver Spring, MD 20910



Ho, ho, ho!
Ken

Larry Peery (T)
P.O. Box 8416
San Diego, CA 92102

FIRST CLASS MAIL

((Warning: dreaded enumeration enclosed.))