

The Prince

July 21, 1983

Game Openings: No

Number 15

"A prince ought to take care that he never lets anything slip from his lips that is not replete with five qualities, that he may appear to him who sees and hears him altogether merciful, faithful, humane, upright, and religious."

Machiavelli

The Prince is a postal diplomacy zine published every three weeks by Jim Meinel, no current address available. There are no game openings but standbys are always welcomed. Subfee is 10 issues for \$5.00.

This is a fairly important issue as I've thrown in a lot of info that I'd like you to check and see if I have correct (NMR lists, sub list, standby list). I'm also without a home right now, this issue being typed up at my parent's house and by the time you get this I'll be in a hotel somewhere in Anchorage. I'll send out an issue as soon as I can, set a new deadline date (probably Aug 26th) and let you know what Alaska is like.

My boxes of zines are gone. Nelson Heintzman will have plenty of bedside reading material for years to come. He took the whole bunch. He's also relieved me of a good percentage of my old wargames and is also using me as a purchasing agent in this area for other titles I don't have. Just remember all this if we ever get in a game together, right?

Not much to do around here when all the stuff is packed and gone. I played a couple games of Russian Campaign with my brother-in-law, liked it, and went out and bought it. Michalski says the Russians win every-time so I must be doing something wrong - the Germans are real tough if they just forget about exploiting the first three turns and just kill Russian units. Depends on the initial setup too. All in all, vastly superior to Stalingrad.

Runestone results are out and there was a whopper of an aberration - we finished seventh. That's a helluva compliment guys, all I can say is if I can keep it up there next year I'll start believing it. Complete results are inside.

Mark Luedi is working on a handbook for publishers, something like a Novice Packet for people who are thinking about starting a zine. He'll accept comments, articles, suggestions, whatever so if you have something to say get it down and send it to him. His address is inside as he is a subber.

DipCon has come and gone and I'm waiting for the reports and pictures to trickle out.

He's going to hate me for this, but Jack Fleming is back from Mexico and has picked his games back up from Tallman and has put out two damn good issues. He's trying to keep his subber list small but the zine is a classic. If you can find his address (I'll never tell) ask for a sample of Paranoiac's Monthly. You won't be sorry. (No need to thank me Jack)

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The order is by how long someone has been a subber. If any of the info is incorrect or you wish your name shown a different way please let me know.

Medici 1982 IC
Fall 1906

GERMANS ABANDON PRUSSIA

England (D.Scheifler) F BAR S RUSSIAN A Lvn-StP, F Nwy-Swe, F Nth-HEL,
F Nrg-NTH, F Nat-MID, A Bre-GAS, F POR H
Germany (J.MacFarlane) A Mun-RUH, A Sil-MUN, A BUR S A Sil-Mun, F Bal-DEN,
A KIE S F Bal-Den, A Pru-BER, A SPA S A Mar, A MAR
firmly entrenches itself (h)
Italy (K.Byrne) A Ven-TYO, A Rom-TUS, F Tyn-WES, F Aeg-ION, F SMY
S F Con, F CON S RUSSIAN F Bla-Ank, A Boh-SIL
Russia (L.McCloud) A Lvn-STP, A FIN S A Lvn-StP, A WAR S ITALIAN A Boh-
Sil, A GAL S A War, A Tyo-BOH, A PIE-Mar, F Rum-SEV,
F BLA-Ank, A Bul-SER, F Den-Swe(dis,ret-SKA)
Turkey (K.Tighe) F ANK H, A ARM S F Ank

Winter 1906 Supply Center Chart

England	Home, Bel, Nwy, Por, Bre	7	even
Germany	Home, Den, Hol, Par, Spa, Mar	8	even
Italy	Home, Gre, Tun, Vie, Con, SMY	8	builds A VEN
Russia	Home, Swe, Rum, Ser, Bud, Tri, Bul	10	even
Turkey	Ank, Sil	1	removes F Ank

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Eng: A Gas, F Nth, F Nwy	Ger: A Spa, A Mar, A Mun, F Den
Ita: A Tyo, A Sil	Rus: F Ska, A StP, A Boh, A Pie
Tur: A Arm	

Press

Tur-Ita: Yeah, sure.

Ankara: Reno is just a bigger and better Elko.

Ger-Ita: You must be a "strong second" player -- allying with the leader when you could've stopped him. Well, if that's the way you want the game to go, fine, though I believe your style of play is contrary to the spirit of the game. Just remember: Russia's not invincible -- yet...

Tighe-GM: Whose typewriter are you going to borrow in Alaska; Lew's?

GM: It'll be handwritten if I can't get it fixed - I doubt the secretary is going to type up a bunch of weird shit for the new kid in the office.

Tur-Ger: I can only divert their attention for so long.

Some quick procedure notes:

Notation- Adjudications are shown with the final resting place of the piece in capital letters. Underlined moves have failed. nsu=no such unit, nso=no such order. ret=retreats to, u=unordered, h=holds, NRR =either no retreats received or no removals received.

Phone orders on deadline day: Previously I have made a strong attempt to be near the phone on deadline day, especially the last two hours before 8:00. With my new job in Anchorage and family and all I cannot make this continued committment (much to my wife's joy). So, please, don't rely on getting your only set of orders in on deadline day! Chances will increase greatly that you'll NMR.

Standbys: I drop you from the list if you assume a position or miss a call and cause the position to CD. Ask if you want back on.

Atreides 1982 IV
Fall 1904

AUSTRIANS STORM MOSCOW

Austria(G.Hail) A Alb-Ser(ann), A Ser-BUD, A Gal-SIL, A War-MOS
England(M.Paoletti) F Cly-NRG, F Lon-ENG, F WAL S F Lon-Eng
France(M.Luedi) A Bre-GAS, F Eng-NTH, F MID-Eng, A Ruh-KIE, A Bel-RUH,
A HOL S A Ruh-Kie
Germany(R.Delzer) F SWR looks up family(h), F BAL S F Swe, A Mun S A Kie
(dis,ret-BUR), A Kie S A Mun(dis,ret-DEN)
Italy(B.Gosselin) A Sil-MUN, A TYO S A Sil-Mun, A Tri-ALB, F GRE S A Tri-
Alb, A SMY S RUSSIAN F Bla-Con(nso), F AFG S A Smy,
A Ven-TRI
Russia(N.Heintzman) A FIN-Swe, F NWY S A Fin-Swe, A Lvn-WAR, A UKR S A Lvn-
War, A Rum-SER, A BUL S A Rum-Ser, F BLA S A Bul,
F Sev-RUM
Turkey(K.Tighe) F CON-Smy, A ANK S F Con-Smy

Winter 1904 Supply Center Chart

Austria	Vie, Bud, Ser , Gre , MOS	3	even
England	Home	3	even
France	Home, Spa, Por, Bel, HOL, KIE	8	builds F BRE, APAR
Germany	Ber, Den, Kie , Nol , SWR	3	removes A Bur
Italy	Home, Tun, Mun, Tri, Smy, GRE	8	builds A VEN
Russia	StP, War, Sev, Mos , Rum, Swe , Bul, Nwy, SER	7	removes F Bla
Turkey	Ank, Con	2	even

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Aus: A Sil, A Mos, A Bud	Ita: A Mun, A Tri, F Gre, A Smy
Eng: F Eng, F Nrg	Rus: F Nwy, A War, A Ser, A Bul
Fra: F Nth, A Kie	Tur: F Con
Ger: A Den, F Swe	

Press:

Ber-Par, Rom: Come on - hit me! I dare you - hit me!

Turd of the West-English Toad Slime: Gee, I thought if I didn't write you, you'd forget all about me. Guess I was wrong.

Ank-Ber: Friends? Sure. You wanna trade baseball cards? How about a sip of my coke?

Geneva: The recent changes in the Italian and Russian borders have brought the Orthodox and Roman nations together. The respective consulates will be holding a spaghetti soup dinner followed by a filo que debate in Zurich on Monday. By invitation only.

Fra-Rus: Hope you heeded my advice, otherwise, could be a mess.

Tur-Vatican City: Three hearts.

Vienna: The Emperor of the Austrians, Croations, Macedonians, Poles, Czechs, Slovaks, Serbs, Hungarians and other assorted peoples hereby announces that court will be held at the command post of the army which his most divine majesty commands. It will be easy to identify: it will be the only one left soon.

Ank-Rom: I must insist on trying to recover my home territory. Did I fool ya? Didn't think so.

Charles 1983 I
Autumn 1903

England retreats F Edi-CLY
Italy retreats A Bud-GAL

Winter 1903

Austria removes F Aeg
England burns F NAF
France builds A MAR

Germany builds A MUN, A BER
Italy removes A Alb
Russia builds A WAR

Spring 1904

PIEDMONT SUDDENLY A POPULAR PLACE

Austria(D.Martin) A TRI S GERMAN A Tyo-Ven(nso), A SER S A Bul-Gre,
A Bul-GRE
England(R.Delzer) F Cly-LIV, A LON reclines on a well tended lawn in Hyde
park and dreams of Empire...(h)
France(P.Conlon) A Pic-WAL, F ENG C A Pic-Wal, F Bre-MID, A Por-SPA,
F Spa(sc)-LYO, A MAR-Pie
Germany(G.Ellis) A TYO-Pie, A VIE S AUSTRIAN A Tri, A SWE S RUSSIAN A Nwy-
Ska(imp), F KIE S FRENCH F Bre-Mid(imp), F NTH S FRENCH
A Pic-Lon(nso), A MUN-Tyo, A BER-Mun, A EDI S RUSSIAN
F Nrg-Cly
Italy(F.Diamond) A VEN-Pie, F Ion-TUN, F Adr-ION, A Gal-WAR, A Gre S
AUSTRIAN A Ser(dis,ret-Alb,OTB)
Russia(B.Orloff) A War-UKR, F Nrg-CLY, A Nwy H, F SEV-Bla, A MOS-Sev,
A Rum-BUL, A BUD S AUSTRIAN A Tri
Turkey(K.Sesler) A CON-Smy, A ARM-Smy, F ANK-Bla

Pat Conlon has a COA, he's back at Box 17014 LSU Baton Rouge, LA 70893.
Brian Orloff(RUS) will be gone July 31-Aug 15 so he asks that letters be
sent early.

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Press:

Ita-Rus: You stabbed the wrong person this time, scumbag.

Aus-Ita: Fat lead! I have friends in high places. Unfortunately they're
all my high places!

Aus-GM: I volunteer to hold the money! I get a 10% cut for my trouble,
right? Happy moving!

GM: There is no such thing as a happy move. I'm waiting for my penny-
pinching paper tigers to wante up. A half year's interest on a hundred
big ones oughta be enough, eh?

We had a FTF game of Dip at my place on the 10th which I suppose could be
called SealthCon II but wasn't billed as such. Terry Tallman, Cathy
Cunning, Jack Fleming, myself, Mike Paoletti, Ed Henry and Trindon Wil-
kerson got together for a couple of games. Alas, I drew Austria and was
eliminated first so I was better able to carry out my functions as the host
(I got the burgers). It ended with a fiveway with Terry, Cathy, Jack, Mike
and Trindon sharing in the draw in 1909. The second game was kind of a
pickup game that ended quickly. The Seattle Clique was also able to
agree on several major hobby issues and will shortly be presenting our
platform, as soon as Terry grants me Honorary Seattle status after I leave.

RUNESTONE POLL 1983

Zine (10-vote cutoff)	Score # votes	Subzine (5-vote cutoff)	Score # votes
1. Europa Express	8.13 (37)	1. Mos Eisley Spaceport	8.36 (28)
2. Diplomacy by Moonlight	8.12 (25)	2. Humboldt	8.14 (7)
3. Snafu!	7.79 (20)	3. Mass Murders	7.66 (9)
4. Just Among Friends	7.76 (21)	4. Strange Doings	7.50 (6)
5. Appalling Greed	7.74 (27)	5. Fiat Bellum	7.47 (19)
6. Sleepless Knights	7.73 (23)	6. Free Speech Alley	7.00 (6)
7. The Prince	7.70 (31)	7. Kathy's Korner	6.88 (25)
8. Voice of Doom	7.64 (54)	8. Expletive Deleted	6.77 (18)
9. Dogs of War	7.41 (17)	9. Alex's Column	6.56 (25)
10. Envoy	7.36 (11)	10. Vertigo	6.40 (5)
11. Diplomacy World	7.32 (48)	11. Diplomatic Immunity	6.33 (18)
12. Magus	7.25 (24)	12. Benzene	6.12 (16)
13. Bushwacker	7.15 (13)	13. Hoof & Mouth	5.22 (9)
14. Whitestonia	7.03 (28)	14. Reagan's Youth Newsletter	5.20 (5)
15. Xenogogic	7.00 (16)	15. Macabre	4.14 (7)
16. Perelandra	6.93 (16)		
17. North Seath West George	6.91 (23)	GMs (5-vote cutoff)	
18. Cheesecake	6.89 (20)	1. Doug Beyerlein	9.60 (5)
19. Coat of Arms	6.80 (31)	2. John Daly	9.55 (9)
20. Diplomacy Digest	6.77 (41)	3. Bob Osuch	9.42 (7)
20. Murdring Ministers	6.77 (27)	4. Dave Carter	9.00 (5)
22. Anduin	6.72 (29)	5. Andy Lischett	8.93 (15)
23. Paranoiac's Monthly	6.66 (12)	6. Jim Meinel	8.89 (19)
24. Lone Star Diplomat	6.60 (25)	7. Mark Larzelere	8.80 (15)
25. Everything	6.46 (17)	8. Steve Heinowski	8.33 (6)
26. Midlife Crisis	6.40 (20)	9. Gary Coughlan	8.30 (10)
27. Emhain Macha	6.35 (17)	10. Ron (Snafu) Brown	8.25 (8)
28. No Fixed Address	6.34 (23)	11. Jack Fleming	8.20 (5)
29. Thirty Miles of Bad Road	6.32 (25)	11. Judy Winsome	8.20 (5)
30. Damn the Torpedoes	6.15 (19)	13. Bob Sergeant	8.14 (7)
30. Retaliation	6.15 (20)	14. Steve Arnawoodian	8.00 (8)
32. St. George and the Dragon	6.11 (18)	15. Mike Mills	7.87 (8)
33. Life of Monty	6.06 (15)	16. Tom Maniardi	7.83 (6)
34. Winsome/Losesome	5.95 (23)	17. John Caruso	7.80 (10)
35. Give Me A Weapon	5.92 (28)	17. Barry Hickey	7.80 (5)
36. Irsome	5.81 (27)	19. Steve Langley	7.78 (14)
36. The Modern Patriot	5.81 (27)	20. Ron (MM) Brown	7.53 (13)
38. Down n Dirty	5.50 (12)	21. Konrad Baumeister	7.50 (10)
38. You Know My Name	5.50 (10)	22. Mike Conner	7.33 (9)
40. Shogun's Sword	5.30 (20)	23. Dave Marshall	7.28 (7)
41. Dot Happy	3.72 (11)	24. Bruce Linsey	7.09 (22)
42. Boast	3.53 (13)	25. Scott Hanson	6.91 (12)
		26. Greg Fritz	6.85 (7)
		27. Tom Swider	6.83 (6)
		28. Roy Hendricks	6.80 (5)
		29. Eric Ozog	6.50 (8)
		30. Dick Martin	5.77 (9)
		31. Eric Kane	5.57 (7)
		32. Terry Tallman	5.27 (11)
		33. Guy Hail	5.00 (5)
		33. Mike Barno	5.00 (5)
		35. Bill Highfield	4.66 (9)
		36. Don Del Grande	3.20 (5)

The zine/subzine lists should be adjusted to account for

Bersaglieri 6.10 (19)

Festungs Hof 5.88 (9)

Hai: Jikai: 5.88 (17)

Some voters listed these as zines, others as subzines: I leave the assignments up to those who are familiar with the publications.

Bismarck 1983 W

Summer 1903 Germany retreats A Mun-KIE, A War-GAL, F Den-SKA

Fall 1903

KAISER ABDICATES IN FACE OF MASSIVE INVASION

Austria(F.Diamond) A SEV S A Ukr-Mos, A UKR-Mos, A RUM S ITALIAN F Gre-Bul(sc), A SER S ITALIAN F Gre-Bul(sc), F ALB-Gre

England(S.Wilcox) A STP-Lvn, F BAR-Nwy, F DEN-Kie, A YOR-Den, F NTH C
A Yor-Den, F SWE S A Yor-Den

France(P.Gardner) A PIC-Bel, A BUR-Ruh, A Gas-PAR, A MAR-Bur, F SPA(sc)
the Cppertone Fleet holds

Germany(P.Clemens) F SKA-Nwy, A KIE-Mun, A RUH S A Kie-Mun, A SIL S A Kie-Mun, A Gal-VIE, A HOL-Bel

Italy(J.Wall) A MUN S FRENCH A Bur-Ruh, A TYO S A Mun, F Gre-BUL(sc),
F ION S AUSTRIAN F Alb-Gre, F TUN S F Ion

Russia(K.Sesler) A LVN-Mos, A WAR S A Lvn-Mos

Turkey(R.Delzer) A Bul S F Aeg-Gre(ann), A CON S A Bul, F AEG-Gre,
F EAS-Ion

Winter 1903 Supply Center Chart

Austria	Tri, Bud, Ser, Rum, Vie , SEV	5	even
England	Home, Nwy, StP, Swe, DEN	7	build 1
France	Home, Spa, Por	5	even
Germany	Kie, Ber, Mun , Hol, Den , War , VIE	4	remove 2
Italy	Home, Tun, Gre, MUN, BUL	7	build 2
Russia	Mos, Sev , WAR	2	even
Turkey	Home, Bul	3	even

Belgium is still neutral!

Paul Gardner(FRA) is well again and has a COA - Box 252 Newfane,VT 05345. Pat Clemens has resigned his position due to time pressures. Will Tim Allen 29 Stockbridge Ave. Lowell, MA 01854 please assume the German position? Thanks, Tim.

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Press:

Monty Python-Tur: Your father was a hamster, and your mother smells of elderberry.

Aus-Tur: You are only one swallow's fight away from me; I will be upon you soon.

Rus-Ita: Lie? Since when? You haven't been smoking any of that funny weed, have you?

Crete-Aus: That's one unladen swallow's flight, of course. After all, Turkey's more than two laden swallow's fights away, four actually...

Rus-Ita: Sorry, but I was too busy laughing at your proposal to write you again.

The following is my NMR list, those people I call should I have no orders from them on deadline day. It's a collect call and will keep you from NMR'ing if you are at home. Please let me know if you want on.

Byrne, Gosselin, Heintzman, Sesler, Orloff, Delzer, Diamond, Henry, Cummings, Wiggers, Wall, Winslow, Givan, Frueh, Kidd, Hager.

Maximilian 1983 AN
Spring 1902

ANOTHER WEIRD GAME

Austria(P.Gardner)	A TRI H, <u>A VIE-Gal</u> , A BUD S A Rum, A RUM H, F GRE H
England(J.Wall)	A Yor-NWY, F NTH C A Yor-Nwy, F Nwy-SKA, F Lon-ENG
France(B.Orloff)	A Par-PIC, F Por-SPA(sc), <u>A Bur S A Par-Pic</u> (dis,ret- Par,Gas,OTB), A MAR air-assaults Rome(h)
Germany(G.Sherrill)	A Bel-BUR, A MUN S A Bel-Bur, A Kie-RUH, A Ber-KIE, F Hol-BEL
Italy(A.Incorvaia)	A Pie-TYO, <u>A VEN-Tri</u> , F Tun-ION, F NAP S F Tun-Ion
Russia(N.Wheeler)	<u>A GAL-Rum</u> , <u>A UKR S A Gal-Rum</u> , <u>F Bla S A Gal-Rum</u> (dis, ret-Bul(ec),Arm,OTB), A War H(nsu), A MOS,u,h, F Swe-DEFN
Turkey(M.Whitty)	A Arm-SEV, F Ank-BLA, F CON S F Ank-Bla, A Bul-SER

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Press:

Par-Rom: So you thought I'd be dumb enough to move to Spain, tsk tsk. Now you've started a war that's detrimental to us both, what a shame.

Rus-Ita: Sorry about that!

Ger-Rus: I hope you didn't mov to the Baltic Sea.

Fra-Tur: Thanks for the tip, but I'm through with accounting. Cost-volume-profit analysis... P.S. How about sending a fleet my way to help with the Italian problem?

Rus-Ita: What's that shapeing up to the east of you.



The subzine that goes...Bing!

HUMBOLDT



After seeing any Monty Python film I always display these three symptoms: 1) quoting the film out of context in normal conversation, 2) climbing furniture, 3) acting just plain silly. The first time I saw "Holy Grail", I spent a whole month galloping about the house banging two coconuts together. At my age it's downright embarrassing (but fun).

I heard a rumor that Humboldt took second in the Runestone poll for subs. I haven't seen the actual results yet, but if it's true I'm surprised and grateful. But my feelings can best be expressed by John Cleese who, after hearing that Cannes awarded "Meaning of Life" it's Special Jury Prize, stated, "I can only assume they don't speak English very well."

In the spirit of tampering with a good thing, I'm going to reduce my format to a page and a half which is the amount I can comfortably produce without resorting to cartoons. The last half-page will be given over to a sub-subzine by Bob Gosselin. Babes begetting fetuses, I know, but if the pope had allowed me to wear one of those little rubber things on Mr. Happy this never would of happened. Bob hasn't named it yet so I'll take the liberty. I'm certain he'll change it later.

WHENIMOVEDILOSTTHESERVICESOFMYFRIENDSTYPEWRITERSOIMONCAMPUSWITHALOUSY

New Feuds

In the last month and a half I've received two, count them 2, replies for this contest. Such a magnificent response only adds to the Runestone results. And if you still want to enter - it's too late. The question was, "What is a good topic for a tasteful feud?"

The numerous entries:

1. Wooden and plastic pieces both suck. Fleets should be made of concrete like real ships and armies of rubber for obvious reasons.
2. Ombudsmen, who needs them? All disputes should be settled by the player with the most units.
3. What does everybody eat for breakfast?
((I did say tasteful, didn't I?))
4. Should Catholics be allowed to play Dip?
((Don't laugh, I'm Catholic and have never been allowed to play Italy in postal Dip. Most GM's expressed the fear that I'll delay the game waiting for orders from the pope, but that's ridiculous, a priest is just as good and a lot closer.))

And the winner:

How come pubbers are always charging so much for ~~the~~^{their} zine? I'll bet Meinel clears 2-3 grand a year for TP and I know you're socking away 40-50 dollars per issue of H. So how about it guys? When are pubbers going to stop ripping off subbers?

((And that brings up a related matter I'd like cleared up. Are game fees used to subsidize the zine or are they payment for adjudications?))

((Also, my profit is not nearly that big, nor is Jim's))

My thanks to Mark Luedi for the third runner-up and Bob Gosselin for the rest. They will be receiving strange California picture postcards stamped ready for mailing to fellow dippers or to friends, if any.

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Dippy Sports Dept.

From Rob Winslow:

"For two years I played (or should I say practiced, as I never got beyond third defense) intercollegiate lacrosse at the Division III level. Lacrosse is an "eastern" game so I wonder whether you've ever heard of it. Today I like to play softball in my 'beer league' where exercise normally consists of tipping one's elbow so beer flows down one's throat. I play third base and hit 5th or 6th."

((Sure, I've heard of lacrosse. My old girlfriend played it for a couple of years when she was in the midwest. She had the scars to prove it, too - don't ask. And I'm in a beer league too. But I'm only good till the third inning.))

Now without further ado, the sub-subzine you've all been waiting for for the last page and a half...

GOSLING

Dip Tips for Beginners:

Letter writing is a very important aspect of the postal hobby. A common error often made by many beginners in letter writing is the use of an opening salutation that is too impersonal such as, "To Whom it May Concern", or "Hey, you", or the often seen "Dear _____". Generally speaking, a more effective rapport can be established by using the addressee's actual name. Along the same lines, references to a player's physical features should be avoided in the salutation. "Dear Piglips", "Dear Dickface", "Dear Dogshitbreath" and the like will probably earn you more enemies than friends.

Format of the letter is also very important. Try not to overlap your margins and always triple-space so the reader has room to write in his own comments. Some liberties can be taken like leaving dried boogers on the page, but remember, most Dippers are either neurosurgeons or deep sea divers and tend to be sticklers for proper writing etiquette.

Don't forget to write the main body of the letter since that is important in separating the opening salutation from the sign-off or "see ya" as it is more commonly known. When writing to a close ally refrain from using threatening phrases like, "If you don't support me into Con I'll kill your mother." The place for these kinds of threats are in the press so others can see your style and flair for forcefulness.

Poison ink letters and letter bombs can be very effective tools in making your point felt or in getting rid of allies that are no longer useful, but they should not be used more than once on each player.

Well, that's about all the room we have for now. Next time on Dip Tips for Beginners - Drugs and Dip; what's the correct mix?

Thanks Bob. If I had read that before joining the hobby I would have stuck to my chess-by-mail games.

Oh yes, I'd like to thank Keith Sherwood (don't deny it) for that fake of Humboldt last month. Like, gosh, I'm not even into double digits yet.

Machiavelli 1983 AM
Fall 1902

MULTINATION FORCES SEIZE MUNICH, BULGARIA

Austria(R.Winslow) A Boh-MUN, F AEG C ITALIAN A Tun-Bul, A GRE S
ITALIAN A Tun-Bul, A SER S ITALIAN A Tun-Bul,
A BUD S A Ser
England(T.Washburn) F BAR-StP, F Bel-HOL, F Nrg-NWY, A SWE S F Nrg-Nwy,
F NTH S F Nrg-Nwy
France(F.Givan) A BUR S AUSTRIAN A Boh-Mun, A Pic-BEL, F Bre-ENG,
F MID S F Bre-Eng, A GAS H
Germany(G.Milewski) A Sil-BOH, A Mun S A Boh-Tyo(nso,dis,ret-Ber,OTB),
A KIE S A Mun H, F DEN S ENGLISH A Swe
Italy(M.Frueh) A Tun-BUL, F ION C A Tun-Bul, F Nap-TYN, A TYO S
AUSTRIAN A Boh-Mun
Russia(R.Delzer) A Nwy-StP(dis,ret-Fin,OTB), A War-SIL, A RUM S
AUSTRIAN A Ser-Bul, F SEV S A Rum, F BOT-Swe
Turkey(C.Braxis) A Bul H(ann), F BLA S A Bul, A CON S A Bul, F Smy-EAS

Winter 1902 Supply Center Chart

Austria	Home, Ser, Gre, MUN	6	build 1
England	Home, Nwy, Bel , HOL, SWE	6	build 1
France	Home, Spa, Por, BEL	6	build 1
Germany	Kie, Ber, Mun , Den	3	remove 1
Italy	Home, Tun, BUL	5	build 1
Russia	Home, Rum	5	even
Turkey	Home, Bel	3	even

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Press:

Aus-GM: Limit the press?!? Why you dirty, no-good, son of a-what? OK, that's it!

Mos-Ber: Either you lied or you supported the wrong unit into Sweden. I hope you lied.

Fra-"Mark The Silent": Well, you've sure been silent lately. Too many knives in the back at MadCon, I guess.

Mark-Chloe: Thanks for the postcard, I hope you had a great time. My capital is your capital and yours will be mine.

"Free Toady" to Germany: See? I can't even do anything unless my master OK's it. Mos-Lon: Hay, bub. What if I end up holding Norway?

Mos-Par: Belgium and the Channel are yours!!!

Mos-Vie: Who says A-R can't work?

Mos-Ank: OK, sis. I hope you didn't make any mistakes!

Fra-Ger: Squash the Casbah! Attack Germany! Me and the Free-Master will save you.

Whoever sent that second copy of Humboldt last issue from Eureka to me fooled me completely. I just thought Kevin was trying to keep up with the number of pages that appear in The Prince. Pretty good too, it followed Kevin's style close enough to both entertain and fool me. Five freebies to whoever sends proof they faked it. Be sure to tell Kevin too, he thinks I did it!

IT'S GETTING BLOODY OUT THERE

Austria(~~ZYYB**nd*~~ G.Ellis) A GAL-Ukr, A VIE-Gal, A Tri-TYO, A Tyo-BOH,
A PIE-Mar
England(B.Gosselin) A Ukr-WAR, A MOS S A Ukr-War, A Kie-BER, A PRU S
A Kie-Ber, A Yor-DEN, F NTH C A Yor-DEN, F SKA S
A Yor-Den, A Pic-BEL, F ENG-Mid, F BRE S F Eng-Mid,
F MID-Spa(nc), F POR S F Mid-Spa(nc)
France(B.Blum) F MAR S TURKISH F Lyo-Spa(sc)
Germany(M.Henry) A Par-PIC, A Bur-RUH, A Ber-Kie(ann), A MUN-Ber,
F Den S A Ber-Kie(dis,ret-SWE), A SIL-War
Russia(F.Wiggers) A SEV S TURKISH A Rum-Ukr
Turkey(J.Cummins) F LYO-Spa(sc), F WES S F Lyo-Spa(sc), F Tun-NAF,
F TYN-Lyo, F ION-Tyn, F BLA,u,h, A TUS H, A Bul-RUM,
A Rum-UKR

Winter 1908 Supply Center Chart

Austria	Home, Ser, Ven	5	even
England	Home, Nwy, Bel, Bre, StP, Mos, Por, Spa, War, Hol, BER, DEN	14	build A LON, A EDI
France	Mar	1	even
Germany	Kie, Mun, Ber, Den , Swe, Par	4	NRR-gm removes F Swe(XIV.4)
Russia	Sev	1	even
Turkey	Home, Bul, Gre, Rum, Tun, Nap, Rom	9	even

The draw proposal failed. A concession to England has been proposed, please vote with next season's orders, NVR=yes.

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Because of the very large possibility of me not being at the phone for the next deadline (a permanent situation in Anchorage) I will be REQUIRING written orders from all the Iron Dream players. You may change them by phone later but I want something in my hand from now on.

Possible retreating units for Summer 1909:

Aus: A Gal, A Boh, A Pie	Ger: A Sil, A Mun, A Pic
Eng: A Mos, A War, A Ber, A Bel, F Mid	Rus: A Sev
Fra: F Mar	Tur: A Ukr, A Rum

Press:

Ger: If anyone believes I wrote a letter that was passed to England I got some swamp land in Florida.

Vie-GM: If England is Harkonnen Germany must be Liet-Kynes.

Vie-World: "hat? I'm in a game? Oh no!

Vie-Mun: You have nothing to worry about from me! Go after England.

Note: I called two standbys from the Hosuton area last season, a gross gm'ing error if they were both to be placed. Turkey came in with orders which prevented a delay while I would have had to call a different standby.

Standby list for games. Please let me know if you want on or off. Thanks.

Hager, M.Henry, Milewski, Conlon, Gosselin, Heintzman, Tighe, Gardner, Wall, Wilcox, Ellis.

Tokugawa 1983AO
Winter 1901

TINKER, TINKER; HAMMER, HAMMER

Austria (B.O'Donnell)	even
England (F.Henry)	builds F LIV
France (S.Keller)	builds A PAR, A MAR
Germany (K.Hager)	builds A KIE
Italy (D.Kidd)	builds F NAP
Russia (D.Bowen)	builds A STP
Turkey (S.Wilcox)	builds F CON, F SMY

The combined season motion failed. I have orders for Tur, Rus & Aus on file.

Dudley Kidd(ITA) has resigned his position. Will Evans Givan please take over the Italian position? Thanks, Evans. His address was printed last issue. All players addresses can be found on the list this issue.

Italy was reported to have NMR'd last issue when he in fact did not. Corrected results were sent to the players the same day the issue was mailed. The gamemaster's balls on a platter were offered if it ever happened again.

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Press

Ita-Aus: Your treachery will not go unpunished.

Moscow: The Fall campaign produced only modest gains. The setback in Galicia was no problem. But serious concern around here over the Swedish repulse. The Russian General Staff is rethinking its strategy on this question. But they are being very silent to this reporter, Nose for News.

Eng-World: Okay, no more baseball notes. I never would have written them had I realized I was surrounded by serious shuffleboard players.

Switz: Speculation concerning the underlying motivation of the gunmen who murdered a Russian diplomat in Zurich has been centering around a note found in the slain envoy's pocket. Signed simply "S.E.X.," the note reads "WPKZF XDWPI DLNPK MXZRN," obviously an encryption of potentially volatile information.



I've run out of things to run so I'll just prattle on a bit.

Patrick is pretty much toilet trained now except for an occasional #2 mess. Beats the heck out of having wet diapers laying all over the house. Patti finished her two last classes this summer term last week and now has her education degree. She may look for a part-time job in Anchorage for a year or so until she gets settled down, then look for a teaching position. Living back with the folks is always an interesting time - I'm sleeping on the couch in the living room and Patti and Patrick are sleeping on the floor. That's because Patrick has to be next to his mommy and they both won't fit on the couch. They tried the extra twin bed downstairs and he rolled off three times during the night...I've been taken out by several groups of friends this past week to see me off, a kind of mixed gathering, happy to see everyone again after a couple years of work and night school, sad to not be seeing them anymore. With roundtrip airfares to Seattle running around a thousand dollars for the family it'll be a long time before we see anyone again. The final airport farewell scene is yet to come...Took Patrick to the Enchanted Village, a little amusement park in Federal Way. Seven bucks gets you in and all the rides are free. There was a putt putt crochet course so I wasn't totally left out. They have these great little cars you can 'drive' around a track all by yourself. Alas, I was taller than three feet...Packing was, as usual, loads of fun. I thought we had things pretty much under control Monday evening when on Tuesday a big load of various items was dropped on our doorstep from the two parent's houses. I guess it was fair as we had been routing stuff over there all week, stuff we didn't want to take (ie pay for to ship). Styrofoam peanut chips and newspaper was all over the place but we did manage to get evrything packed and down to the shipper on Wednesday morning. Came in at X * 2200 lbs, at \$48.95/cwt. Now all we have to do is clean the apartment by Sunday night and find a home for our gerbil. Postage paid guys... This may sound like a farewell but I just want to thank all the people who have made my involvement in the postal dip hobby an enjoyable one, especially to Gary Coughlan and Bruce Linsey for giving me such a warm and helpful welcome when I first started, to Mike Connors, Mark Larzelere and Andy Iischott for making my first games well-run and enjoyable, Larry Peery and Rod Walker for encouraging and helping me with writing for the hobby, and all the players who have made the games I'm in fun (that's all the players). I just hope the next two years will be as great as the last two have been.

Personal note, just for you: