

The Prince

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Game Openings: No

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"It makes him (a prince) contemptible to be considered fickle, effeminate, mean-spirited, irresolute, from all of which a prince should guard himself..."

Machiavelli

This is a special tax season issue of The Prince, published monthly by Jim Meinel, P.O. Box 832, Anchorage, Alaska 99510. Home phone 907-274-8775. All I can say is #23 will be bigger.

Atreides 1982 IV
Spring 1908

SIX FLEETS OVER ITALY

FRANCE (M.Luedi) F Mar-LYO, F Tyn-Ion (*dis, ret-NAP*), F Wes-TUN, F NAF S F Wes-Tun, A PIE-Tus, F Mid-WES, F Bre-MID, F Ed1-NTH, A YOR H, A MUN H; A BUR, A RUH, A KIE all S A Mun

ITALY (B.Gosselin) F AEG-Ion, F Tun-TYN, F ROM S F Tun-Tyn, A VEN-Tus, A TYO-Mun, A BOH S A Tyo-Mun, A Gal-BUD, A Sil-GAL, A SER S A Bul, A Bul H (*dis, ret-GRE*)

RUSSIA (N.Heintzman) F Swe-DEN, A Ber-SIL, A WAR H, A MOS S A War, A StP-LVN, A RUM-Ser, A Sev-UKR, F BLA S TURKISH A Con-Bul

TURKEY (K.Tighe) A Con-BUL, F Smy-CON, F ANK H

Thanks to Greg Ellis for unneeded standby orders.

The FR and FRT draws failed. Italy announces he voted yes to both.

Italy proposes FIR and FIRT draws. Please vote; NVR = NO.

Deadline will be Friday April 20, 1984.

Press:

Ita-Rus: See, I'm not the one blocking the draw. Somebody must be out for the win, don't you think?

WesMed-Tur: The French are coming! Loedie! Big steam boats - mighty fine!

Rom-Par: Bet that NMR caught you by surprise. I told you I had a bag of tricks up my sleeve.

Ank-Par: No comment? No comment? What do you mean "no comment"? I specifically asked for a comment, so I expect some sort of decent comment. Any comment? Please comment.

Ita-Rus: OK, OK - it's a deal. I'll die if you'll die too.

Ita-Tur: And the same to you, Boo-Boo.

Ita-Rus&Tur (and all you stand-up comics everywhere): But seriously folks. I was walking down the street the other day and this French guy comes up to me and says, he says "Hey, did you hear the one about the Russian, the Turk and the Italian?" I says no and he says "Yeah, they all got together and stopped the French man - ha-ha-ha-ha-ha". Pretty funny, huh? You guys get it?

Charles 1983 I

Summer 1907

Germany retreats A Sil-BER

Fall 1907

AUSTRIANS SMASH GERMANS OUTSIDE PRAGUE OTTOMAN EMPIRE COLLAPSES

AUSTRIA (D.Martin) A Vie-BOH, A Tyo-MUN, A SIL S A Vie-Boh, A Gal-UKR, A RUM S A Gal-Ukr, A Bul-CON, F Aeg-SMY

GERMANY (G.Ellis) A Swe-DEN, F Den-NTH, F WAL S RUSSIAN F Liv-Iri(*nso*), A EDI-Liv, F ENG-Mid, A GAS-Spa, A Bre-PAR, A BUR-MUN, A BER S A Bur-Mun, A MUN-Boh, A PRU S RUSSIAN A Ukr-War

ITALY (E.Diamond) F IRI-Wal, F POR-Mid, F SPA(sc) S F Por-Mid, A MAR H, A PIE S A Mar, F Tyn-WES, F Ion-TYN, F Con-ANK, A War S AUSTRIAN A Sil(*dis, ret-Gal, Lvn, Mos, DTB*)

RUSSIA (M.Fleming) A Nwy-SWE, A Ukr-MOS, F LIV S ITALIAN F Iri(*otm*), F SEV-Bla

TURKEY (K.Sesler) NMR! F BLA H, A ARM H

Winter 1907 Supply Center Chart

Austria	Home, Ser, Bul, Rum, Gre, CON, SMY	9	builds 2
Germany	Home, Hol, Bel, Den, Par, Edi, Lon, Bre, Swe	10	remove 1
Italy	Home, Tun, Spa, Por, Mar, Con, War, ANK, (MOS?)	8 or 9	even or remove 1
Russia	StP, Sev, Nwy, Liv, WAR, SWE, (Mos?)	6 or 7	build 1 or 2
Turkey	Ank, Smy	0	out

Thanks Keith for hanging(?) in there. Please note Matthew is the new Russian player. Draw proposals: RAI, AI, AG, IG, EF, and a concession to Austria. Please vote with this seasons orders. NVR=no. If several pass the one with the largest number of drawees is controlling. If that is the same the draw including the most number of centers passes. The deadline is Friday April 20, 1984.

Press:

Rus-Aus&Ita: I can play stomp on Germany as well, just remember that you need some one to build your northern fleets.

Ger-Aus&Ita: All I have to do is bide my time. One of you will crack sooner or later.

Sev-Ank: Sorry Keith. It's a sad state of affairs when a 2 center power and a five center power fight each other.

Ger-GM: First it is Der Ellis, now everybody's country is in boldface except mine. What gives? GM interference!

GM: How's that saying go, 'A poor workman blames his tools?'

GM: Seriously, Der Ellis is harmless. And the lack of a boldface type was a proofing mistake. The offending staff member has been dismissed.

Ita-Ger: Call me a fool, but when you're being attacked by Russia, Austria and myself and are still growing, I don't feel inclined to change my position.

Aus-Ita: I knew I forgot something. Now, if your first born is a male...

Aus-Ger: Sorry if I didn't thank you before for transforming Austria into a world class power. Thanks!

Aus-World: My \$\$ are on UNC to take the NCAA's. Maryland is fun to watch, but verry erratic. Do I have any takers?

GM: Hah! My Huskies did as well as your boys. I should have read your orders earlier...

Machiavelli 1983 AM
Summer 1905

Germany retreats F Den-BAL

Fall 1905

FROGGER!

AUSTRIA (R.Winslow) A SIL-Ber, A Gal-WAR, A Bud-GAL, A RUM-Ukr, F AEG S
ITALIAN F Smy-Con, A BUL S ITALIAN F Smy-Con, A SER S A Bul

ENGLAND (P.Conlon) F StP-Nwy(ann), F BAR-StP

FRANCE (E.Givan) F Nrg-EDI, F NTH S A Den, F Ska-SWE, A DEN S A Hol-Kie, A
Hol-KIE, A RUH S A Hol-Kie, A Bur-MUN, A Mar-SPA, F WES H

GERMANY (G.Milewski) A PRU S AUSTRIAN A Gal-War, A Kie-BER, F BAL S A Kie-Ber

ITALY (M.Frueh) F Smy-CON, F Tus-LYO, F TYN S F Tus-LYO, A TUN-Ion(a little
swimming)((*imp*)), A Tyo-PIE

RUSSIA (R.Delzer) F SEV-Rum, A UKR S A War, A War S A Ukr(*dis, ret-Lvn, Mos, OTB*),
A Fin-STP, F Nwy S A Fin-StP

TURKEY (C.Braxis) F Eas-ION, F BLA-Sev, A Con H(*dis, ret-Ank, OTB*)

Winter 1905 Supply Center Chart

Austria	Home, Ser, Gre, Rum, BUL, WAR, Hun	8	build 1
England	<i>Edi, StP</i>	0	out
France	Home, Spa, Por, Bel, Hol, Lon, Liv, EDI, DEN, MUN, SWE, KIE	14	build 3
Germany	<i>Kie, Hun, Ber</i>	1	remove 2
Italy	Home, Tun, Smy, CON	6	build 1
Russia	Mos, Sev, Nwy, STP, <i>Swe, War</i>	4	remove 1
Turkey	Ank, <i>BUL, Con</i>	1	remove 2

Thanks Pat for playing it to the end.

Thanks to Stephen Wilcox and Stephen Lee for unneeded standby orders.

An A/F draw has been proposed. Vote this season, NVR=no.

The deadline will be Friday April 20, 1984.

Press:

Aus-Anchorage: Jeez, that Rich Delzer's a tough cookie. I can't even get him to write me a nasty letter!

Aus-Evans: You eat hush puppies?!? Hell, I prefer converse sneakers myself!

Edi-Mos: You just don't understand us puppets.

Edi-Nwy: Parlez-veus Anglais?

Edi-Las Vegas: You, sir, whoever you may be, have obviously never played in a Dip game with me before. Either that, or you are Rich Delzer, who never misses a chance to prove himself a fool.

Fra-Ita: See? I did what I promised. Did Chloe/Ray do the same? You sure you aren't twins?

Par-Lon: I may be sorry. I hope you didn't take any of this personally. If so, you may think I am secretly from Madison.

Fra-I/A: Is this the "stop France" movement I hear so much about? Stop France from what? How about a "start France" movement? How about that Pac Man?

Con-All: Don't be allies with Austria. He's mean.

Rom-Con: Hurry up and die already. I'm impatient! I may have to resort to ---- nah! I don't always stab. I kicked the habit long ago.....could I have just one...maybe a tiny center please?! I'll give it back, I promise.

Rom-Vie: Tttrrust me! I'm coming off the DT's...just keep those big pink army blocks away from me.

GM: Reminds me of a client's bookkeeper who puts "TM" next to numbers in her books — "Trust me". See, us accountant's have a sense of humor too.

Rom-Par: I want another center! I need one quick!

Rom-Con: You're my main dealer - come on - give me another one.

Maximilian 1983 AN
Summer 1905 France retreats A Gas-SPA, F Mid-POR

Fall 1905

VIENNA GARRISON HOLDING OUT

Little gains elsewhere

AUSTRIA (P.Gardner) A VIE S GERMAN A Gal-Bud (*nsd*)

ENGLAND (J.Wall) A STP S RUSSIAN A Mos, F Bot-LVN, F Nth-ENG, F Eng-BRE, F NAT-Mid, F MID-Spa(sc)

FRANCE (N.Heintzman) A Gas-Mar (*nsu*), A SPA,u,H, F POR S ITALIAN F Wes-Spa(sc), A PIC-Par

GERMANY (G.Sherrill) A Bur-MAR, F GAS-Spa(sc), A PAR S ENGLISH F Eng-Bre, A BEL-Pic, A Gal-Vie (*ann*), A MUN-Tyo, A BOH S A Gal-Vie, A SIL-Gal

ITALY (A.Incorvaia) F WES-Spa(sc), F TUN-Wes, F NAP-Tyn, A TYO-Vie, A TRI S A Tyo-Vie

RUSSIA (M.Fleming) A MOS S A War, A WAR S GERMAN A Gal (*otm*)

TURKEY (M.Henry) F ION-Tyn, F AEG-Ion, A BUD S A Rum-Gal, A Rum-GAL, A UKR S A Rum-Gal, A SEV S A Ukr, F BLA S A Sev, A SER S A Bud

Winter 1905 Supply Center Chart

Austria	Vie	1	even
England	Home, Nwy, Swe, StP, BRE	7	build 1
France	Por, Spa, <i>Har</i>	2	remove 1
Germany	Home, Hol, Bel, Den, Par, MAR, <i>Bre</i>	8	build 1
Italy	Home, Tun, Tri	5	even
Russia	War, Mos	2	even
Turkey	Home, Bul, Ser, Sev, Rum, Gre, Bud	9	even

Nelson is the new French player. Thanks to Greg and Ken for unneeded orders.
The deadline will be Friday April 20, 1984.

Press:

The Wall-GM: You better get your eyes checked if you can't read my press boah((sic)).
Zondon((sic)): Springtime on the Thanes((sic)), it must have lulled all the war mongers((sic)) to sleep. Too bad. Bm.((sic))

Mos-Ber: It just looks like we are standing still. In reality we are massing for a great counter offensive.

Mos-GM: I think you set a record last month.

Mos-Lon: I bet you use that funny brown colored chalk.

IMALITTLETEAPOTSHORTANDSTOUTTIPMEOVERANDPOURMEOUTWAITASECILLGOFORTHETHINONEINTHEBACKPOURHEROUTILTA

Standbys (in no particular order):

Conlon, Delzer, Ellis, Fleming, Hager, Hall, Heintzman, M.Henry, Lee, Milewski, Wall, Wilcox, Winslow.

"Maybe Jesus was right when he said that the meek shall inherit the earth, but they inherit very small plots, about six feet by three." - Lazarus Long in 'Time Enough for Love' by Robert A. Heinlein

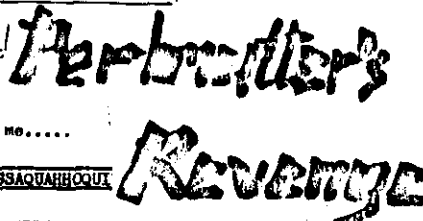
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He's all used up, but we have a pregnant lady with a pickle in her mouth if you want.
No thanks, just give me.....



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Bambi, Thumper, Bugs-SORRY! Wrong list. Ah, here it is!

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Game Openings; the answer is still YES!!

Frank Burns is ready and so am I. Got four signed (Rager, Fleming, Winslow and one anonymous by request). This game is still slow in filling so I thought up another incentive. It's free already now I'm adding a frill - a press contest. Each fall a Perltzter Prize for hilarious, riotous, insane press will be awarded. The prize will be 2 issues of TP added to your sub with me as sole judge working on the basis of personal taste (or lack thereof). As mentioned the prize will be awarded in the fall based on the past year's press so when you get your F'01 results the press winner will also be included.

Frank may not be a normal game but he will be regular Dip.

Below is a group of items. One of these items is very different and does not belong. Eliminate that item.



Contest Conflict

It appears that one cannot safely hold a contest in this hobby without the odor of controversy arising in his mind for my name-the-state quiz was Vermont. Nobody agreed. Got three New Yorks, a Tennessee and a Texas. One of the New Yorkers (Kathy Byrne) insists she's been to all those towns in New York. Well, OK so I give her a chance to prove that. If she's right then so are Rob Winslow, and Mark Luodi who also went for NY. Makes sense, not Furthermore Evans Givan gets a chance to prove Tenn. also contains towns with those 11 names (wording) and likewise Stephen Wilcox with Texas. Each stands to win 3 TPs.

New Contest

If you can tell what a ~~white~~ white eared trouser got yourself 2 free ones.

~~IT'S SEVEN PND YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR MONEY IS WMPSS DONT LOOK NOWD~~



elephant "is you've

~~BARBUT YOU'RE BROKE AND~~

that you can sing

Reagan Speaks
On Women's Rights

AND NOW*- Time for songs about diplomatic situations in the shower....
Big Mouth Dept.
Can we talk? Bo you sing in the shower? OK, ok, so business, but that's part of the point. The shower is a place of real privacy- even your mother or your can't figure out what it is you're doing in there for hours on end. It's just between you and that great GM in the sky. You reflect on that rat in 822Z who stabbed you or the slick move you pulled in 822Z. You grab that bar of soap, stare it squarely in the soap bubble and squeeze it - OOPS! Too hard. No, squeezing soap ain't the way to go. The shower's greatest virtue is its ability to release your vocal chords while drowning thechin that you're creating. I mean 'I Can See for Miles' is a great little Diplomacy song (as much to Pete Townshend's surprise as anyone I'm sure), but words like "I know you've deceived me, now here's a surprise" weren't meant to be sung softly. Or 'Under my Thumb' (don't tell Mick he'll charge extra), and no one will know that you don't sound quite as good as Mr. Jagger. Then again there's "I hear the secrets that you keep..." thanks no doubt to some letter passing buddy. "I've done everything for you- you've done nothing for me." (a Sammy Hagar contribution). "Communication Breakdown" the obligatory song for the ally who never writes. There's even "I Fought the Law" for squabbles with the GM. Yup, rock's got 'it all and I'm sure I've missed some goodies so let me know if you can add to this list. Poll to follow next year- right after the favorite video games poll.

It's none of my business one of the last bastions

THE LITTLE DIPPER

March 23, 1984

Game Openings; Gunboat Stand-bys

Number 5

I fired my Executive Publishers. Their standards were too high. This publication is now solely the work (and responsibility) of Stephen Wilcox, 5300 W. Gulf Bank #103, Houston TX 77098, (713) 820-6038.

GUNBOAT GAME

Well, I am happy to announce that the Gunboat game is now full and underway! The players represent 7 different states, so the chances of anyone finding out who else is in the game is at its minimum. **NOTE:** I am in desperate need of stand-bys for the game. I currently have zero, so I am making this offer. I will give two free issues of THE PRINCE to anyone willing to be placed on the stand-by list. Another two free issues will be given to anyone that takes over a position and plays it to completion. I do wish to reserve the right to cancel this offer when I deem my stand-by list to be full. Starting next issue, you should see a commentary on the most recent moves of the Gunboat game, written by Greg Ellis. This commentary will include Greg's opinion of the intentions of each country, the options available for each country, comments on negotiations occurring through the press, and suggestions & predictions for the upcoming seasons. I feel that this will have a minimal effect on the game since the moves for the next season in most cases will be due before THE PRINCE finds its way into your mailbox. The purpose of this commentary is for the observers of the game (especially those new to Diplomacy and the PIM hobby). It will provide the opportunity to view the game without the natural bias of knowing who is playing which country. How many times have you said to yourself, "if I were in that position I would do this?" Now you will have the chance to see how you would have come out. If anyone wishes to follow the game even more closely, just get in touch with me and we can make arrangements so that you will receive season by season updates (press and everything) just like the players will receive. Good Luck to all the players. It is now time to start flipping those coins.

GMs. WHAT DO YOU THINK #2 - Responses

"shortest route available (including convoys)...the fleet before the army...." That is what the rulebook says in regard to which piece is removed when a country is in Civil Disorder. Last issue, I brought up the fact that this rule could 'strand' armies since the fleet would be removed first. The example I gave was an Italian fleet being removed and leaving an army on Tunis. I received the following comment from Bruce Linsey:

You've chosen a real sticky topic in bringing up the "farthest from home rule". There is no single "right" answer to the question because the rule is ambiguous. Way back in Voices of Doom #23, I polled my readers on a similar question: if France is in Civil Disorder and has to remove one of A Bel or A Alb, and a convoy route exists from Alb to Mar but not from Bel to Bre, which unit comes off? Of 19 people who responded to the question, 11 voted one way and 8 the other -- and they were almost all GMs! So clearly, the "farthest from home rule" can be interpreted different ways by different people.

My solution has been to override that rule entirely. I simply remove units first from non-supply centers outside the home country, then supply centers outside the home country, then non-supply centers inside the home country. Within each of these three groups, I just list in alphabetical order. The type of unit makes no difference, nor does the distance from home, except for the distinction of whether the unit is or is not inside the home country.

I realize that this solution (which in your question would dictate the removal of F Ion) does not answer your question directly regarding the "farthest from home" rule, but it does have the advantage of being totally unambiguous. It's too bad that this point was overlooked when the Rulebook was changed recently, as this rule is in desperate need of revision.

Thanks for the comment Bruce. I will be glad to print any further comments on this subject next issue. Also next ish will be another Openings Project Update.

Sorry about this guys but look at it this way: your very own colored paper!

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Wow, Kevin must have some sort of telepathic powers - only his turned out right-side up!

Politicis 7?

Everywhere there's Freaks and Hairies, Dykes and Fairies, tell me, where is sanity? I'd love to change the world, but I don't know what to do. So I leave it up to you.

-It's more than ten years after, did you do it?

New Column: My Dog Fido!



"I'm their pet. They love me. They'll do anything for me. They can my balls off."

Dear Fido: Whenever my person has friends over for a gaming session, I get ashes and beer dumped all over me (sometimes on pretzel falls to the floor, it's quickly snatched up before I can get it. I want revenge, what can I do?
-Steaming in Syracuse

Dear Steaming: I've been in the same position many times before. An easy solution is to nonchalantly sit up when the offender leaves the room and drool all over his seat. If you're REALLY mad, wait until everyone leaves the room (dinner-break's a good time for this) and lift your leg on the offender's chair. If you're discrete about it, doggie revenge ALWAYS works!

It's been pointed out to me that Nancy Kissinger is a bad speller.

BAD JOKE DEPT: What's the difference between a prophylactic and a parachute? When a parachute falls, somebody dies! What did Helen Keller get for her birthday? Polio! How does a hillbilly wipe his ass? First he pulls up the front of his overalls, then the back, then the back...

I'd give you my address, but since nobody ever writes to me (sniff...), why bother, eh? In all seriousness (hard to believe, huh?) I'd be interested in running a pmw wargame here. As I own a shitload of wargames, I'd like to hear from interested parties as to what games people are interested in pbmg. If interested, get in touch with me and we'll see if we can't get something started. Remember, this is FOR REAL. My address is in the last issue of The Towc

-Bowser in Boston

Dear Bowser: I prefer the plastic pieces also. However, most dogs prefer the wooden pieces and they are better for sharpening up your fangs, not to mention being more digestable. Read on.

Dear Fido: The plastic pieces suck!
-Chewed Out in Chattanooga

Dear Chewed: How eloquently put!
Fido's address is: Fido, 69 Beagle Lane, Apt. #25003 (Penthouse), San Diego, CA 92107

GIE HEGONOMY ALMOST COMPLETE

Reds vow fight to death

ENGLAND (D.Scheifler) F Mar-SPA(sc), F MID S F Mar-Spa(sc), A Gas-BUR, F Swe-BOT, F Nwy-SWE, F SKA S F Nwy-Swe, F Nrg-NTH, F BAR S A STP, A STP H

GERMANY (J.MacFarlane) A Bel-PIC, A Bur-PAR, A Mun-RUH, A KIE S A Den, A DEN S A Kie, A MOS-Lvn, F BAL-Lvn, A War-UKR, A GAL S A War-UKR

ITALY (K.Byrne) F WES-Mid, F Nap-TYN, F Rom-TUS, A Ven-PIE, F BUL(ec) S F Con-Bla, F CON-BLA, F Gre-AEG; A Ser-GRE, A Tri-VEN, A Bud-SER, A Vie-BUD

RUSSIA (G.Hail) F Bla-Bul(ec) (*dis, ret-DTB*), A Ukr-RUM

TURKEY (K.Tighe) A Smy-CON, A ANK S A Smy-Con

The GIE vote failed. England, Germany and Italy all voted yes. It has been repropoed by Italy. NVR=no.

The deadline for orders will be Friday April 20, 1984.

Press:

Turkey: I'm not the guy vetoing this thing, honest.

Ber-Lon: If anyone wins this game, it'll be Kathy, not you. With two major powers against you you won't stand a chance. Vote YES and share the victory -- or lose it!

Ita-Eng: You cannot say that you weren't warned. But in case you have forgotten "any attack on my German ally is considered an attack on Italy"!

Ita-Ger: No, I don't consider Englands stab a weak stab - I consider it a real "dumb move"!

Ita-Tur: I'm keeping my eye on you!

Ita-Rus: Thought I'd say hi before you go bye!

Ita-Board: The Pizza-Beer Alliance will continue, Germany will not fall, so vote yes to the draw!

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The Iron Dream 1982 AP
Spring 1912

PARIS FALLS!

AUSTRIA (G.Ellis) A Tyo-Vie(*nsu*), A VIE,u,H, A MAR S ENGLISH F Spa(sc), A UKR-Sev

ENGLAND (B.Gosselin) A GAS S F Spa(sc), A BUR S AUSTRIAN A Mar, F SPA(sc) H, F MID S F Spa(sc), F ENG S F Mid, A Bre-PAR, F Bel-PIC, F Nth-NRG, F BAR S A Nwy-StP, A Nwy-STP, A MOS S AUSTRIAN A Ukr-Sev, A War-LVN, A PRU S A War-Lvn, A S11-GAL, A MUN H, A Ber-SIL

GERMANY (M.Henry) A Lvn-StP (*ann*)

TURKEY (J.Wall) F NAF-Mid, F WES-Spa(sc), F LYD S F Wes-Spa(sc), F PIE-Mar, F TRI H, F RUM S A Sev, A Ven-TYO, A BUD-Vie, A SEV S F Rum, A Ank-CON, A Smy-ARM, A Con-BUL

Thanks to Pat and Rob for unneeded orders. Please note James Wall is the new Turkish player.

A concession to Austria and one to England have been proposed. Please vote, NVR=yes. The deadline for orders will be Friday April 20, 1984.

Tokugawa 1983 AO
Summer 1904 France retreats A Spa-POR

Fall 1904

ITALY RAPED Turkey confesses

AUSTRIA (J.Wall) A MUN S GERMAN A Kie-Ber
ENGLAND (E.Henry) NMR! F Nth H (*dis, ret-Edl, Yor, Lon, DTB*), F's NRG, NAT, ENG all H
FRANCE (B.Gosselin) A Gas-SPA, A POR S A Gas-Spa
GERMANY (K.Hager) F Bal-DEN, F HEL S RUSSIAN F Ska-Nth, F BEL S RUSSIAN F
Ska-Nth, A BRE H, A BUR S F Bel, A Ruh-HOL, A Kie-BER
ITALY (E.Givan) F Spa(sc) S TURKISH F Mid-Por (*nsa, dis, ret-Lyo, DTB*), F WES S
TURKISH F Naf-Mid (*nsa*), A MAR S F Spa(sc), A Ven-Tyo (*dis, ret-Pie, Tus, Rom, Apu, DTB*)
RUSSIA (D.Bowen) A Nwy S F Ska-Nth (*nsu*), F NWY, u, H, F Ska-NTH, A FIN S F Nwy, A
Pru-SIL, A Tyo-VEN, A Gal-BOH, A BUD S F Rum, F RUM H
TURKEY (S.Wilcox) F MID S FRENCH A Gas-Spa, F Naf-TUN, F Ion-NAP, A TRI S
RUSSIAN A Tyo-Ven, A SER S A Tri, A Bul-GRE, F Ank-CON

Winter 1904 Supply Center Chart

Austria	MUN, Bud	1	even
England	Home, Bre	3	remove 1
France	Por, Spa	2	even
Germany	Kie, Ber, Bel, Hol, Par, Den, BRE, Mun	7	even
Italy	Rom, Mar, Ven, Nap	2	remove 2
Russia	Home, Rum, Nwy, Swe, Vie, BUD, VEN	10	build 2
Turkey	Home, Bul, Ser, Tri, Tun, GRE, NAP	9	build 2

Thanks to Rob for the unneeded standby orders.
No standby will be called for England as his orders arrived late.
The deadline for the game is Friday April 20, 1984.
And now for a shitload of press.

Press:

Tur-Ita: Well, I couldn't stay allied with the both of you. Since Derwood has been with me from the beginning, he got the nod. I am not about to blow a sure 2-way draw.
Sophia: The Austrian monarchy is once again dual. From now on address all mail to Austria/Germany.
Ger-Ita: Goodbye.
Ita-Tur: There. Was that right? Am I surprised? Probably not.
Rus-Aus: Will you settle for Listerine?
Fra-Rus&Tur: Hey, I hope you guys will forgive me for this but I'm shitcanning our secret alliance. I saw the chance to go for all the marbles and well, let's face it, three-way draws are a barrel of fun but it's the guys who pull out the sole wins who get laid at all the parties.
GM: I'm waiting.
Ger-Fra: Goodbye.
Bowen-Wall: How about hanging around for a few more seasons to bug everyone and be

abused in the press?

Russia-"Austria": Is this a reverse Anschluss?

Ita-Ger: One more time. That's all we need.

Tur-Fra: The rescue almost arrived too late, but geez, I couldn't have gotten here much quicker.

Bob(formerly of Breast(sick(sic))) to Ed(formerly of Brest) and unless I miss my guess, soon to be(formerly of London): Awgee, shucks big fella - too bad. Ten golden brickles says I outlast you.

Ger-Eng: Goodbye.

The Wall-Evans: I only get 57 zines, thank you.

Aus/Ger-Kie: You should have written. I like to have fun. Hee hee hee.((?))

Rus-Tur: What a bad bargain. You get to check out France's finest while I freeze in the northern reaches of the world.

Russia-Evans: Yes, the hobby equivalent of locusts, the "Mad Lads", are here too. But cheer up. They won't get you this game. I will keep Wall away from you this time. Which is more than I can say for Nebraska.

Russia-Board: Is crossgame press unethical?

Tur-Eng: Your letter was what I would call a self-fulfilling prophesy. It was awfully nice of you to "allow" me to support you into Brest, but when you say that there is no room for cooperation later, why bother.

Ita-Eng: Do you see what's coming? When will you want to stop it?

Fra-Ita: Remove F Nap??? Oh, I get it. You and Turkey have an ironclad agreement where he doesn't stab you no matter how tempting it becomes and at the same time he helps you get more powerful by supporting you into Iberian centers so that he can't have them for himself. Pretty clever. I should have seen it coming.

St.Pete: The Russian military leaders survey the strategic map with some staisfasction. After all, the inept Austrian commanders were easy pickings for the finest of our mighty army. Despite the last minuite replacement of the leadership, the route was not stoppable. Our alliance with the heathens, a matter of pragmatic convenience, has not been disturbed thus far. However, we face a severe problem. It appears that the Turks will get all of that fine French wine, while we must settle for our vodka. But there is another possibility. It is said that German wines are acceptable. So, in the interest of good gourmanding, we must move on Germany in order to obtain some fine table wine for the Tsar's table. By his imperial orders, no less.

Ger-Aus: Goodbye.

Aus/Ger-Rus: History now doubts that you have telepathic powers.

Aus/Ger-Rus: You REALLY should have written me naughty boy!

Ger-Eng: Goodbye.

Fra-Europe: To all of you who have sent me those exceptionally vicious letters about how it's not fair that a guy who NMR's should be allowed in such a good position to win the game, all I can say is that the NMR was not my fault. There are several people in the Post Office who have this thing against me and even though I sent a second set of orders by carrier pigeon well.....C'mon Jim, you tell them-wasn't it obvious from the postmark that my orders were purposely delayed by some postal lunatic?

GM: The orders took seven days to get here. Obviously a conspiracy.

The Live Wood-The Dying Wall: You thought you would get out of here quickly, huh. Well, think again. You aren't doing as well here as in Nebraska, so I can really abuse you here.

Hobby Guardian: Crossgame press! You wretch.

Russia: How about cross-eyed press?

Ger-Ger: Goodbye.

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Press:

Austria-Bored: YOU FOOLS!!! AARRGH!

Rod Serling: You see before you now an anomaly. This is a special plane of existance; a shadow world that exists somewhere between logic and emotion. This is the game that never ends, and the players are caught in a continuous treadmill of NMR's powered by apathy. They have just entered, the Twillite Zone.

GM: "...continuous treadmill of NMR's powered by apathy." I love it.

Bismarck 1983 W

Autumn 1906 Germany: GM retreats A Ber OTB

Winter 1906 Austria builds A BUD; England builds A's LIV, EDI, LON; France builds A PAR; Italy removes F ADR; GM removes German A Bur, A Ruh; Turkey builds F CON.

Spring 1907

PHANTOM UNITS HIGHLIGHT SEASON ENGLAND LOWERS DRAFT AGE TO FIFTEEN

AUSTRIA (E.Diamond) A RUM-Sev, A SER-Rum, F Tri-VEN, A Bud-TRI, A VIE S A Bud-Tri, A Gal-BUD

ENGLAND (S.Wilcox) A Lon-DEN, F NTH C A Lon-Den, A Edi-NWY, F NRG C A Edi-Nwy, A Liv-YOR, A Kie-MUN, A SIL S A Kie-Mun, F BER H, A UKR-WAR, A StP-MOS, F Tyn-ION, F TUN S F Tyn-Ion

FRANCE (P.Gardner) A Par-BUR, A HOL H, A Pic-BEL, A Bre-Par(*nsu*), A Mar-PIE, A Gas-MAR, A ROM S F Nap, F NAP S ENGLISH F Tyn-Ion

ITALY (J.Wall) A Mun-RUH, A Tyo-Ven(*nsu*), A BOH, u, H

TURKEY (R.Delzer) A BUL S F Gre, F GRE S A Bul, F Ion-ALB, F Con-BLA, A ARM-Sev

FE and FEA draws have been proposed. Please vote, NVR=no.
The deadline for orders will be Friday, April 20, 1984.

Press:

ANK-All Hostile neighbors: Come and get me!!!

Italy: HA! The worst I'll do in this pathetic game is 5th! What a joke! Yea team!

The Wall-Delzer: It's The Wall, not WALL.

The Wall-Delzer: Maybe, if you lick my shoes and quit being such an ass to me. I've been kicked enough.

Ita-GM: "and the walls came down" was inappropriate. "and THE WALL snuffs Kaiser" was much more appropriate, still not too bad, B+.

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