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(maybe the world)

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The following people have subs that will expire with the next issue (#12) - Bakken, Byrne/Garuso, Frueh, Highfield, Linsey, Michalski, Quirk, Seymour.

Game Openings - None in Diplomacy for a while. I'm still trying to fill a game of Rail Baron. I wanted to keep this a surprise for the players, but I guess I'll let it out of the bag now. If you play, you are going to get to enjoy the benefit of my special RB board. Yes, folks! All of those little dots (towns) on your map, are real towns, with names on mine. A couple of summers ago, a friend and I got out a rail-map and figured out what all of the dots were. You won't want to miss this!

## Ship's Log

Hello, folks! Welcome to Raging Main, a 'zine that comes from a place that is so far South that Gary Coughlan only wishes he could live here. I wonder if this is the southernmost 'zine in the world. Does anyone know if there are any 'zines being published from Australia?

It is now 1 AM on Friday and I'm tired and out of white-out, so if this page looks sloppy, please forgive me. I've finished my ground school here, but the lousy weather here has put a real backlog on the flying. So, I'm going to have to wait 3-4 weeks more before the Navy puts me in the cockpit.

You all should know that I collect business cards. I really appreciate all of you that have sent me cards. I just got a bunch from Jim Meinel in Alaska recently. In looking through my collection (I estimate around 1200 cards) I find that I lack cards from the following states. Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, South Carolina, North Carolina, Montana, Idaho, North Dakota, West Virginia, Utah, and Rhode Island. I'd appreciate it if you could keep a look out for cards from these states. Actually, it's 1 AM Saturday.

MARK BERCH DEPT: The weather has been lousy. On top of that, I've had the pleasure of studying meteorology. It's actually quite interesting.

READ-LIST: The Robots of Dawn - Isaac Asimov, I was really excited about reading this book, since Asimov is one of my favorite authors and I loved the other novels about this detective. However, I was a bit disappointed. The background was excellent. The other world that was the setting, and its society were fascinating, but the mystery was weak in my opinion.

Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy - John Le Carre; This book came with a good reputation and overall I enjoyed it. I suppose it is a lot more realistic than other so-called "spy novels", but at times it was hard to follow, and it dragged.

Gorky Park - Martin Cruz Smith; I haven't finished it yet, but so far I'm really enjoying it. No, I haven't seen the movie.

PLAYLIST: Greatest Hits (Simon & Garfunkle), Greatest Hits (James Taylor), Soundtrack, "The Empire Strikes Back" (John Williams, London Symphony Orchestra), You Had to be There (Jimmy Buffett), I Robot (The Alan Parsons Project)

## Message Traffic

\*\*\* MARCO POLL RESULTS - I know this is old news, but since I asked you to vote I suppose you deserve to see what happened. The top ten 'zines, in order, were: Europa Express, Voice of Doom, Whitestonia, Diplomacy World, Appalling Green, Sleepless Knights, Snafu!, Thirty Miles of Bad Road, Retaliation, & Magus. Raging Main finished 21st with 29 points.

The top seven subzines were: Mos Eisley Spaceport, Kathy's Korner, Expletive Deleted, Humbolt, Fiat Bellum, Benzene, & Straight From the Dimmer's Mouth.

The top five G.M.s were Gary Coughlan, Andy Lischett, Mark Larzelere, Jim Meinel, & Bruce Linsey.

Thank you to all of you who participated and to those of you who voted for RM.

\*\*\* FRESHMAN POLL - Still time to get votes in to Scott Hanson 233 Oak Grove #306, Minneapolis, MN 55403. AMd apparently, no subzines.

\*\*\* LEPERCON - Hosted by Joan Extrom Rt. #1 Box 26W, Philomath, OR 97370. (503) 929-3223. This will be held on March 16-18, so all of you in the Pacific Northwest give Joan a call or drop her a card and see what all the fun is about.

\*\*\* GRABARCON - Hosted by Dave Grabar 1583 Truman St., Chowchilla, CA 93610. Bring your own sleeping bag. Expect to play Diplomacy and just about anything else. Scheduled for February 17-20.

\*\*\*\*WOODYCON - I read about this in Kathy's Korner, so I can't be sure if it's not a joke. Anyway, this is at Woody's place on February 10-12. Check that, it's at Woody's sister's house. Find out if it is true from Mr. Potato-head himself at 602 Hemlock Circle, Lansdale, PA 19446.

\*\*\* EVERYTHING #58 came to my mailbox a while back. Congratulations to Steve Arnawoodian, Kathy Byrne, and Jim Meinel, RM subbers who registered solo wins. Good going!

\*\*\* OPENING MOVES SURVEY - Steve Wilcox, 5300 W Gulf Bank, Houston, TX 77088 is doing a survey of the opening moves for all games begun in 1983. Send him any info on S'01 moves and 1901 SC charts. I've sent him the info on games in RM, but any others you played in ar GMed would be appreciated.

\*\*\*\*En Garde! - Does anyone out there play this game? Jim Briggs is going to be running a game of this in his 'zine. Since I'm going to play and would like it to start, I'm trying to get some more players. EG! is a role-playing game set in Louis XIV France, and is very popular in the British hobby. Write to Jim at P.O.Box 6243, El Paso, TX 79906.

\*\*\* MADCON - This is a long way off, but I've got extra room (I think) and I think I'll mention it. This will be held on Memorial Day Weekend. I just may attend, so you'll not want to miss it. Start saving your dimes now! For more information, contact any of the Madison Mob. You can find these people by looking through my games for players from Madison. I think four of my games are infested with them.

The following article is a reprint, without permission from either the author or publisher. It was first printed in the Wilson Quarterly, June 1983. Those of you who know European history will enjoy this. Those of you who don't, probably will not get all of the jokes, but I hope you take the time to read it.

"College Kids Say the Darnedest Things"

By Anders Henriksson

(Editor's note: "History," declared Henry Ford, "is bunk." And yet, to paraphrase George Santayana, those who forget history and the English language are condemned to mangle them. Historian Anders Henriksson, a five-year veteran of the university classroom, has faithfully recorded his freshman students' more striking insights into European history from the Middle Ages to the present. Possibly as an act of vengeance, Henriksson has now assembled these into a chronological narrative, presented here.)

History, as we know, is always bias, because human beings have to be studied by other human beings, not by independent observers of another species.

During the Middle Ages, everybody was middle aged. Church and state were co-operative. Middle Evil society was made up of monks, lords, and serfs. It is unfortunate that we do not have a medieval European laid out on a table before us, ready for dissection. After a revival of infantile commerce slowly crept into Europe, merchants appeared. Some were sitters and some were drifters. They roamed from town to town exposing themselves and organized big fairs in the countryside. Medieval people were violent. Murder during this period was nothing. Everybody killed someone. England fought numerous for land in France and ended up winning and losing. The Crusades were a series of military expeditions made by Christians seeking to free the holy land (the "Home Town" of Christ) from the Muslims.

In the 1400 hundreds most Englishmen were perpendicular. A class of yeowls arose. Finally, Europe caught the Black Death. The bubonic plague is a social disease in the sense that it can be transmitted by intercourse and other etceteras. It was spread from port to port by inflected rats. Victims of the Black Death grew boobs on their necks. The plague also helped the emergence of the English language as the national language of England, France, and Italy.

The Middle Ages slumped to a halt. The renaissance bolted in from the blue. Life reeked with joy. Italy became robust, and more individuals felt the value of their human being. Italy, of course, was much closer to the rest of the world, thanks to northern Europe. Man was determined to civilise himself and his brothers, even if heads had to roll! It became sneik to be educated. Art was a more associated level. Europe was full of incredible churches with great art bulging out their doors. Renaissance merchants were beautiful and almost lifelike.

The Reformation happened when German nobles resented the idea that tithes were going to Papal France or the Pope thus enriching Catholic colifures. Traditions had become oppressive so they too were crushed in the wake of man's quest for resurrection above the not-just-social beast he had become. An angry Martin Luther nailed 95 theocrats to a church door. Theologically, Luther was into reorientation mutation. Calvinism was the most convenient religion since the days of the ancients. Anabaptist services tended to be migratory. The Popes, of course, were usually Catholic. Monks were right on seeing themselves as worms. The last Jesuit priest died in the nineteenth century.

After the reformation were the wars both foreign and infernal. If the Spanish could gain the Netherlands they would have a stronghold throughout northern Europe which would include their positions in Italy, Burgundy, central Europe, and India thus surrounding France. The German Emperor's lower passage was blocked by the French for years and years.

Louis XIV became King of the Sun. He gave people food and artillery. If he didn't like someone, he sent them to the gallows to row for the rest of their lives. Vauban was the royal minister of flirtation. In Russia the seventeenth century was known as the time of the bounding serfs. Russian nobles wore clothes only to humour Peter the Great. Peter filled his government with accidental people and built a new capital near the European border. Orthodox priests became government antennae.

The enlightenment was a reasonable time. Voltaire wrote a book called Candy that got him into trouble with Frederick the Great. Philosophers were unknown yet, and the fundamental stake was one of religious toleration slightly confused with defeatism. France was in a very serious state. Taxation was a great drain on the state budget. The French revolution was accomplished before it happened. The revolution evolved through monarchial, republican, and totalitarian phases until it capitulated

into Napoleon. Napoleon was ill with bladder problems and was very tense and unrestrained.

History, a record of things left behind by past generations, started in 1815. Throughout the comparatively radical years 1815-1870 the western European continent was undergoing a Rampant period of economic modification. Industrialization was precipitating in England. Problems were so complicated that in Paris, out of a city population of 1 million people, 2 million able bodies were on the loose.

Great Brittain, the USA, and other European countrys had democratic leanings. The middle class was tired and needed a rest. The old order could see the lid holding down new ideas beginning to shake. Among the goals of the chartists were universal suferage and an anal parliament. Voting was to be done by ballad.

A new time zone of national unification roared over the horizon. Founder of the new Italy was Cavour, an intelligent Sardine from the north. Nationalism aided Italy because nationalism is the growth of an army. We can see that nationalism succeeded for Italy because of France's big army. Napoleon III-IV mounted the French throne. One thinks of Napoleon III as a live extension of the late but great Napoleon. Here too was the new Germany: loud, bold, vulgar and full of reality.

Culture formented from Europe's tip to its top. Richard Strauss, who was violent but methodical like his wife made him, plunged into vicious and perverse plays. Dramatized were adventures in seduction and abortion. Music reeked with reality. Wagner was master of music, and people did not forget his contribution. When he died they labeled his seat "historical". Other countries had their own artists. France had Chekhov.

World War I broke out around 1912-1914. Germany was on one side of France and Russia was on the other. At was people get killed, and then they aren't people anymore, but friends. Peace was proclaimed at Versigh, which was attended by George Loid, Primal Minister of England. President Wilson arrived with 14 pointers. In 1937 Lenin revolted Russia. Communism raged among the peasants, and the civil war "team colours" were red and white.

Germany was displaced after WWI. This gave rise to Hitler. Germany was morbidly overexcited and unbalanced. Berlin became the decadent capital, where all forms of sexual deprivations were practised. Hitler remilitarized the Rineland over a squirmish between Germany and France. The appeasers were blinded by the great red of the Soviets.

Moosealini rested his foundations on 8 million bayonets and invaded Hi Lee Salasy. Germany invaded Poland, France invaded Belgium, and Russia invaded everybody. War screeched to an end when a nukuleer explosion was dropped on Heroshima. A whole generation had been wipe out in two world wars, and their forlorn families were left to pick up the peaces.

According to Fromm, individuation began historically in medieval childhood. This was a period of small childhood. There is increasing experience as adolescence experiences its life development. The last stage is us.

"Why Nobody Gives a Shit About the Air Force Falsons"

by Ken Hager

Last month's issue of Raging Main contained a number of protests from persons affiliated with the Air Force lamenting the fact that, like Rodney Dangerfield, they get no respect. Unfortunately, for them, it is sad but true. However, there are profound sociological reasons for this situation and this discussion will touch on some of these points.

Take a few moments if you will and reflect back on American history and the contributions made by our men in uniform. When you think of the Navy, you can't help but think of the Bon Homme Richard and Old Ironsides, of the Monitor and Merrimac, of Midway, Manila Bay, Lake Erie, Pearl Harbor and the "silent service" of WW II. Names like John Paul Jones, Oliver Hazard Perry, Decatur, Halsey, Farragut and Nimitz spring to mind. Who can forget stirring quotes such as "I have not yet begun to fight." and "Damn the torpedoes! Full speed ahead.?"

And what of the Army? Again the list is endless. Our gallant comrades in arms immortalized themselves at Valley Forge, Gettysburg and Normandy. They died in gas-filled trenches in France and charged up San Juan Hill with Teddy Roosevelt. They faced sharpnel-filled skies to hit the oil fields at Ploesti and Doolittle's raiders struck the first blow back at Japan. They gave us Audie Murphy, Robert E. Lee, Patton, Old Hickory and Custer, as well as "irregulars" like Davey Crockett and the men of the Alamo. At Bunker Hill they were instructed, "Don't fire until you see the whites of their eyes." and when surrounded by German armies and ordered to surrender his beleagured Bastogne garrison, McCauley eloquently replied, "Nuts."

The Marines have made their presence felt "from the Halls of Montezuma to the shores of Tripoli". They made obscure places like Guadalcanal, Tarawa and Khe Sanh famous and their raising of the flag atop Mt. Suribachi on Iwo Jima remains an inspiration to American fighting men everywhere. They radioed from Wake Island, "Send us more Japs." and when driven from the bitter cold Chosin Reservoir by thousands of Chinese regulars said, "Retreat, hell! We're just attacking in another direction."

The Air Force is the youngest service, spawned from the Army Air Corps much as God created Eve from the rib of Adam. When you think of the Air Force, however, images are slower to spring to mind. Personally, when I think of the Air Force I'm reminded of when I was in college and had to take a Greyhound to get down to school. I picture SAC pilots sitting on their butts in the ready room and of those daring Air Force fighter pilots who show up their Navy counterparts by landing their screaming jets on stationary air fields that are only a mile long and a quarter of a mile wide. It never fails to choke me up. Try to think of the most famous military hero that the Air Force has given us and you probably come up with Steve Canyon. (In fact, James, trying to name a famous Air Force hero would be a good question for your trivia contests.) The Air Force failed to prevent the Chinese from crossing the border into Korea and certainly did little to halt the flow of supplies down the Ho Chi Minh trail during Vietnam. Their futility is apparent when you consider the fact that the U.S. never lost a war until the Air Force came into being, and hasn't won one since. Even Calhauer provided an implicit commentary on the value of air forces when he chose to play Diplomacy with fleets and armies, but not squadrons.

As it stands right now, Navy men are proud to meet on the football field against the men who follow in the footsteps of America's Army heroes of days gone by. Perhaps sometime in the distant future, the Air Force will be able to come up with some achievements notable enough that they'll finally be accepted by the other services. Perhaps then the Air Force-Navy and Air Force-Army Games will join the Army-Navy game as equals. Perhaps not.

I hope I haven't offended any Air Force people by taking any cheap shots in this opinion paper. After all, cheap shots aren't necessary when real ones are so abundant.

Note: I am not a male chauvinist and humbly apologize to any ladies who may have been offended by my analogy of the Air Force to Eve. No insult was intended.

James here; Thanks to Ken for that excellent article. I'm sure I couldn't have said it better myself. Three free issues and an invitation to send us more, to Ken.

Movie Trivia Continues

This contest is winding down. There are 110 questions in all so next month should give us the last group. Don't forget that the winner gets a year's sub free and a picture of Woody!

86. In "The Nutty Professor," Jerry Lewis notes that there are only two people he can trust with the formula for changing wimps like him into self-confident smoothies. Who are the two trustworthy souls of whom Lewis mails a copy of his formula?

87. Lew Ayres was not the first actor to portray Dr. Kildare in films. Who was the first actor who did and what was the name of the movie? (2 points)

88. What ex-boxing champion has a bit part in the 1968 movie "The Detective"?

89. What actor, as a child, sells Humphrey Bogart a lottery ticket in "The Treasure of the Sierra Madre"?

90. Which film includes the following speech? "All right then, run, lady, and you keep on running. Buy yourself a bus ticket and disappear, change your name, dye your hair, get lost. And then maybe — just maybe — you're gonna be safe from me."

91. What food is actually used to lure rats in "Ben"?

92. One actress appeared in all the following films: "The Lonely Villa", "The Thread of Destiny", "Rags", and "M'Liss". Who was she?

93. In the opening scene of "Blazing Saddles," the villainous powpokes urge Cleavon Little and the railroad crew to sing a happy work song. What song do they break into?

94. Robin Williams' mother writes a landmark best seller in "The World According to Garp". What is the title of it?

95. As an advertising agency beginner, Gene Tierney has trouble getting Clifton Webb to endorse a certain item in "Laura". What is it?

I found John Caruso's entry for last month's test after typing it up, and he got one point giving him 6 total. This month we have Jim Makuc, Mark M. Frueh, Kathy Byrne, Matt J. Fleming, & Bob Acheson.

64. What colleges do Jack Nicholson and Candice Bergen attend in "Carnal Knowledge"? — Amherst, Smith JM: Amherst & Smith (2 points) MMF: Smith and Amherst (2 points) KB: Yale, Villanova MJF: Dartmouth and Princeton BA: USC & UCLA

65. In what magical place does Walt Disney's "Peter Pan" live? — Never Land ((This is what the answer is written as. I was considering being a real hard-ass about it, but won't. Makuc is the only one to get it exactly right.))

JM: Neverland (1½ points) MMF: Never never land (1 point) KB: My kind of question - Never, never land (1 point) MJF: 160-02 Flushing BA: Never never land (1 point)

66. See through jeans and a gigantic loan shark named Mr. Eddie figure in what comedy starring Ryan O'Neal? — "So Fine"

JM: "The Big Bounce" MMF: "So Fine" (1 point) KB: "Partners" MJF: "Bottoms-Up" BA: "So Fine" (1 pt)

67. In "The In-Laws", starring Peter Falk and Alan Arkin, what does the father of the bride do for a living? — He was a dentist

JM: A dentist (1 point) MMF: Dentist (1 point) KB: He's a bookie MJF: Contractor BA: Dentist (1 pt)

68. In one of his more obscure movies, Paul Newman is asked what he does for a living. "I'm a communicator," he says. "Oh," replies the questioner, "what's that?" Name the film and Newman's job. — "WUSA" and he was an announcer

JM: "WUSA, radio announcer (2 points) MMF: "WUSA", radio disk jockey (2 points) KB: "Absence of Malice", Mafia hit man MJF: "Absence of Malice" BA: "Cool Hand Luke", prisoner

69. In "Charlie Chan and the Red Dragon", featuring Sidney Toler, the screen sleuth is seen strutting his stuff on the dance floor with a female acquaintance. What dance are they doing? — Rumba

JM: The Peacock MMF: Tango? KB: The Slam MJF: Rumba (1 point & 5 free issues!) BA: Charleston

70. Who played James Dean's brother in "East of Eden"? — Richard Davalos

JM: Richard Davalos (1 point) MMF: Richard Davalos (1 point) KB: Richard Burton MJF: Montgomery Cliff BA: James Garner

71. Name the three songs Dooley Wilson sings in "Casablanca"? — "As Time Goes By", "It Had to Be You", "Knock On Wood"

JM: "It Had to Be You", "As Time Goes By", "The Marseilles" (1½ points) MJF: "It Had to Be You", "Knock On Wood", "As Time Goes By" (2 points) KB: "Casablanca", "Yellow Rose of Texas", "Over There" MJF: "La Marseilles", "As Time Goes By", "Knock On Wood" (1½ points)

72. On his first visit to Rick's Cafe Americain, what is Victor Laszlo's first — repeat first — drink order? — Cointreau (or two cointreaux)

JM: Champagne cocktail MMF: The quote is, "Two cointreaux, please" (the second drink order is "champagne cocktail") (1 point) KB: Milk MJF: He asks for the letters of transit BA: Bourbon on the rocks

73. In the same film, where does Rick hide the stolen letters of transit? — In Sam's piano

JM: In Sam's piano (1 point) MMF: Upper case of the upright piano (1 point) KB: Underneath his mattress! MJF: He puts them in his safe

This month's scores: Frueh: 12; Makuc 10; Acheson: 3; Fleming: 2½; Byrne: 1.

The overall scores: Frueh: 45; Makuc: 38; Keller 24; Byrne: 11; Briggs: 7; Fleming 6½; Caruso: 6; Wall: 5; Acheson: 3; Del Grande: 2; Michalski: 1; Rosenzweig: 1.

\*Mark adds, "Movie made in '45 by Monogram Studios. The film archives had all of the Charlie Chan films by Monogram Studios except "Charlie Chan and the Red Dragon."

Answers to #74-85 are due on Leap Day, 29 February 84.

Looking for a way to add to your Raging Main sub without spending money? Why not write me a review of a movie? I'd especially like to hear about "The Right Stuff", and "Silkwood". Also start thinking about which movies you saw were the best of 1983. Once the Oscar nominations come out, I'm going to take a survey of you readers to see which one you think are deserving.

North American Diplomacy Board  
Hobby Qualifying Examination

Don Del Grande, publisher of Life of Monty, is offering this test to all comers. He cautions that it is not to show how well you play DIPLOMACY, or how well you know the hobby, or how much trivia you know, but it will test your patience, sense of humor and ability to get through one of these things.

The test comes in four parts: multiple choice, fill-in-the-blank, true/false, and essay questions. The test will be scored by giving 4 points for each correct answer and -1 point of each incorrect answer. Not answering a question will net zero points. Essays will be scored on a 0-10 scale and the raw totals will be put into some mystery system to produce scores on a 200-800 scale.

Send all entries to Don at: 142 Eliseo Dr., Greenbrae, CA 94904. The deadline is 1 March 1984.

MULTIPLE CHOICE

- How many roots are there to the equation  $x^2 = 1$  if you include complex numbers?  
A) None B) Two C) Four D) Eight E) An infinite number
- GDW's ((??)) game NO TRUMPETS, NO DRUMS deals with what war?  
A) World War I B) World War II C) Korea D) Vietnam E) World War III
- What are the dimensions of the Avalon Hill DIPLOMACY mapboard?  
A) 22x24 B) 24x24 C) 24x28 D) 22x32 E) 22x22
- Who - or what - was on the cover of issue 100 of THE BRUTUS BULLETIN?  
A) The cover of a 1040 form B) One of his subzines  
C) Prince Charles & Lady Diana D) The title in hieroglyphics E) A blank side of paper
- Well, we couldn't make it to Moscow of the 1980 Olympics, probably because we had reservations on Trans-Afghan Airlines. Anyway, for the second time since its introduction, the Americans did not win the gold medal in basketball. Which country did?  
A) The Soviet Union B) East Germany C) West Germany D) Yugoslavia E) Italy
- In order for an army to go from one supply center to another after passing through the other 32, what is the minimum number of land provinces it must pass through which are not supply centers?  
A) None B) One C) Two D) Three E) More than three
- Fifteen full turns have been played in a game of DUNE. How many players are still capable of winning, assuming no one has control of three strongholds (and no alliance does, either)?  
A) None B) One C) Two D) Five E) All six players
- How much would it cost to purchase all three of Avalon Hill's most expensive games, not including microcomputer games, on the discontinued parts list, and non-AH games.  
A) \$66 B) \$109 C) \$117 D) \$120 E) \$142
- The phrase "Richard of York gave battle in vain" is best applied to which of these fields?  
A) Chemistry B) Physics C) Computer Science D) Biology E) English
- How much postage was on GRAUSTARK #1?  
A) None B) 4¢ C) 8¢ D) 20¢
- Who or what is "Leroy Johnson"?  
A) A character on "Fame" B) "The Greatest Diplomacy Player in the World" (according to a Jack Masters story) C) The first subscriber to LIFE OF MONTY D) The pseudonym of a publisher E) One of Alex Lord's uncles
- COMPUTER DIPLOMACY is available for two computers. Which two?  
A) Apple and Atari B) VIC-20 and Commodore 64  
C) IBM PC and TRS-80 D) Torch and BBC E) TI and MP
- Which of these numbers is closest to the total number of 8x11 sheets of paper used in one copy each of the first 25 issues of EUROPA EXPRESS?  
A) 200 B) 250 C) 300 D) 325 E) 347
- When WAR AT SEA was first played as a tournament in an ORIGINS, the ratio of Allied to Axis wins was:  
A) 2:1 B) 3:2 C) 1:1 D) 2:3 E) 1:2
- How many places (sea areas and land areas) can a fleet be placed in DIPLOMACY such that (a) the fleet is not in an area where fleets normally aren't allowed (e.g. Munich) and (b) it is not possible to reach every other sea area using any number of moves?  
A) None B) One C) Two D) Three E) More than three

- Which of these is closest to the number of different combinations (legal, that is) of fleet/army/empty space combinations of the land area in Russia.  
A) Zero B) 250 C) 500 D) 750 E) 1000
- THE VOICE OF DOOM recently celebrated its fourth anniversary with a massive issue. How many pages were in the second anniversary issue of THE VOICE OF DOOM?  
A) There was no second anniversary issue B) 12 C) 24 D) 36 E) 45
- Everybody knows that UCLA is a basketball school California (Berkeley, that is) is more of - well, not really a - well, we did win a national basketball championship before UCLA ever did. But in the last 20 years, how many times has California beaten UCLA in basketball?  
A) None B) 2 C) 5 D) 10 E) 20
- Name the last of these countries to declare war against Germany in World War II (after the Polish invasion).  
A) Australia B) Canada C) Great Britain D) New Zealand E) South Africa
- What company originally made FORTRESS EUROPA before selling it to AvalonHill?  
A) Phildor B) Jedko C) Batteline D) GDW E) OSG

SHORT ANSWER

- You're in a game of KINGMAKER. One of your titled nobles (either titled directly on the card or an untitled noble with a title card) has an office and one bishopric/archbishopric card. What combination of noble/title (if necessary)/office/(arch)bishopric makes this noble eligible to be called on the greatest number of Raid and Revolt cards?
- Name the last undisputed heavyweight boxing champion of the world. (What, ANOTHER sports question?...)
- Here's a question I blew on the last NADB... there are FOUR double-coasted land areas on the 1958 DIPLOMACY board. Name the one not on the current board.
- Suppose you have a crossbow with a maximum range of 100 meters. (I haven't the slightest idea how good - or bad - this number is. Just use 100 meters for this question OK?) What is the distance the crossbow will go if launched at a 60° angle to the ground? (Assume for this question that the only thing that affects the distance is the original angle, and that for at least one angle, the distance is 100 meters, but no angle will achieve a farther distance.)
- Say, did you know that they play DIPLOMACY in Great Britain? If you did, let's see how much you know about it...what is Pete Tamlyn's wife's first name?
- If you mix blue and yellow paint, you get green. What do you get when you mix blue and yellow light?
- What was the number of the last issue of RETALIATION which had, as the title, the word "RETALIATION"?
- Name the only game in the EUROPA series that can't be played as a game in itself, but only as part of EUROPA.
- Remember the VOICE OF DOOM question? That fourth anniversary issue was big, wasn't it? Said issue was part of one of the most irregular publishing schedules I can think of. Not that issues don't come out on a semi-regular basis; it's just that Bruce likes mid-monthlies every now and then. How many issues of THE VOICE OF DOOM had cover dates with the year 1983?
- (What, MORE sports? No, I don't own the sports version of TRIVIAL PURSUIT - I don't have \$70 to throw away like that.) Here's the situation: Team A has the ball, fourth down and goal to go on the Team B 10-yard line. (This is an American Football question, if you haven't guessed) The quarterback takes the snap, fades back to Team B's 20 and throws a pass to another one of Team A's backs on the Team B 15. This back then spots another one of Team A's eligible receivers in the end zone (the one where Team A can score a touchdown) and throws a forward pass from the 15 into the end zone, where the receiver makes the catch inbounds. According to the 1983 National Federation of State High School Associations Football Rules, what's the result of the play?
- One day, KATHY'S KORNER grew to the point where it was printed on different-color paper than WHITESTONIA. Which issue number(s) of WHITESTONIA had the first of these two-tone issues?
- You've heard of Murphy's Law - what is Cole's Law?
- In which country did the following appear on a movie marquis: "FILMEN SOM AR SA ROLIG ATT DEN TOTALFORJUDITS I NORGE"?

34. What is the maximum number of units that can be dislodged in any Spring or Fall turn?
35. The hobby was rocked by the news that Joyce Singer won DIPCON 83. It probably wouldn't have been a big deal had it been a male FTfer or a female PEMer (after all Kathy Byrne has had a third and a sixth in the past four years), but Joyce is a female FTfer. This is a far cry from DIPCON 82's winner, a male PEMer by the name of \_\_\_\_\_. (Fill in the blank)
36. How many supply centers which start the game as neutral are within reach of more than one country by Fall 1901? (An SC is within reach of a country if one of the country's units can occupy it (legally) at the end of Fall 1901 moves, using the standard setup. For example, Greece is within reach of Italy, Austria, and Turkey.)
37. Which king led the English forces at the battle of Agincourt in 1415?
38. Before SPI went under, the CENTRAL FRONT series had three volumes (games, that is). What were the titles? (Hint: they weren't "Volume I, II, III" or anything like that.)
39. FINCHLEY CENTRAL seems to be sweeping across Great Britain and is crossing the Atlantic. What British Underground Line(s) stop at Finchley Central?
40. The "100 Guinea Cup" is better known by what name?
41. Operations Overlord, Roundup, and Sledgehammer were invasion plans for the Allies invasion of Continental Europe in WWII. Which one was scheduled with the earliest invasion date?
42. In which issue of (you guessed it) THE VOICE OF DOOM did the subzine ALEX'S COLUMN first appear?
43. What is the maximum number of seasons it can take to move an army from a province touching the eastern edge of the board edge to Portugal given that the army moves in every Spring and Fall turn, each move is legal and successful, it doesn't enter the same land area more than once and it isn't convoyed?
44. SPI's game NAPOLEON'S ART OF WAR featured two battles - which battles?
45. You're running a test to determine play balance in DIPLOMACY. You have 7 players, and these players will play enough games of DIPLOMACY so that every combination of the 7 countries among the 7 players has been played once. Assuming 2 games are played per day, and the first (and second) games were on January 1, 1984, on what date will the final game be played?
57. Florida is the state with the greatest percentage of its border as a coastline.
58. Gary Coughlan once said in EUROPA EXPRESS, "Fake a GRAUSTARK."
59. (For those of you who didn't realize that chess is a wargame of sorts, like TACTICS, and - yes, even DIPLOMACY) Every person who took the World Chess Championship from the holding champion - with the exceptions of Bobby Fischer and Anatoly Karpov - had to defeat the same person in another match one year later.
60. There were no female rulers (i.e. Queens Regent - or is that Regnet?) of England until after the Wars of the Roses.
61. The national high school record for the longest field goal is actually farther than Tom Dempsey's NFL record.
62. Although winning gold medals at the Olympics is second nature for the United States, Canada had not won a Summer Olympics gold since Mexico City.
63. A long time ago, there was a TV series which included something called the "World's Toughest Bouncer" competition, in which "bouncers" lept over bars, around tables, and threw bums (well, stuntmen) out of bars through doors, in which the winner was the one and only Mr. T.
64. The reason that six episodes of "Monty Python's Flying Circus" are titled just "Monty Python" is because the BBC didn't want to have the same title for the shows without John Cleese as for the 39 episodes with him.
65. And speaking of TV, during Lucille Ball's pregnancy on "I Love Lucy", Lucy is never referred to as "pregnant".
66. If you want to settle a wager, you can't use the WORLD ALMANAC.
67. Ruth Glaspey is the only person to claim to be in the Diplomacy hobby and a winner of one of the contests in THE GENERAL.
68. There is more land than water on the four edges of a complete DIPLOMACY map (Avalon Hill edition).
69. Avalon Hill is still trying to work on THE RISING SUN, their answer to the late WAR IN THE PACIFIC.
70. The first title for CRESCENDO OF DOOM was A RISING CRESCENDO.

#### TRUE/FALSE

46. When Sandy Duncan received a Tony nomination for her performance in "The Boy Friend" in the early 1970s, it was for the same part that Julie Andrews had in the same show in 1955 (before she left it to be in "My Fair Lady").
47. Cedric Poslethwaite is a regular writer for the British 'zine GREATEST HITS.
48. It's possible for a yellow light source moving toward the observer to appear as if it has turned green.
49. The two movies in which Henry Fonda portrayed the President of the U. S. involved the detonation of nuclear weapons in some way.
50. You want to buy DIPLOMACY directly from Avalon Hill. (i.e. you want to buy a single game - one box, one mapboard, one set of plastic pieces, etc.) It will cost you more than TOBRUK - a change from 1977, when DIPLOMACY went for \$11 and TOBRUK for \$12.
51. Glenn Overby announced the fold of JIHAD in its final issue.
52. DIPLOMACY is the only game in Avalon Hill's latest Strategy/Wargames listing that does not use dice.
53. You can't play Flying Buffalo's NUCLEAR ESCALATION unless you already have their NUCLEAR WAR.
54. Al Pearson's JUST AMONG FRIENDS never made it to issue #25 - but Al had enough trouble keeping Nancy from self-destructing...
55. Remember "Rocky II's" famous 15th round knockout? Had Rocky not gotten up before the 10 count he wouldn't have won the title.
56. The new AIR FORCE rules say that a plane ending its move in a bank suffers an immediate altitude drop, which realistically makes no sense whatsoever, since a plane in a bank for most of its turn which straightens (levels) at the end doesn't drop.
71. Describe the effects on your life, wargaming, and things in general, of West Germany's stand that Victory Games' NATO is not a nice game because it depicts WW III and possible nuclear war on the tactical (and possibly strategic) level in Europe, right through that country.
72. (The traditional question used as a year-by-year comparison base.) Align yourself against a wall such that your left arm and left leg are touching the wall and you are standing such that the wall is on your left. Lift your right leg and scribble what happens.
73. After Dallas, ORIGINS is scheduled for Baltimore - but it will be the West's turn for DIPCON. Where do you think DIPCON should be held in 1985, and why do you feel that this is the best choice?
74. What single issue of a 'zine which came out in 1983 do you feel would deserve a BEST ISSUE OF THE YEAR award, even though I shouldn't be giving Larry Peery any ideas? (The issue must be of a 'zine which appeared at least 6 times in 1983 - DW doesn't hack it - and fakes don't count, either.)
75. Your house/apartment/mobile home is burning! It's a choice between you DIPLOMACY set and your collection of 'zines. Make the choice!
76. The flames are coming higher! One of the 'zines ends up in torch city! Assuming the your improper storage of issues of LIFE OF MONTY probably caused the fire (and so shouldn't be your answer), which 'zine would you miss the least if it was in the flames?
77. Name five methods of pain-inflicting you wish to give to the author of this exam for questions like #76.
78. If you could exchange two subzines, which ones and why?
79. Project the effects of a CIVILIZATION hobby on DIPLOMACY.

80. I have here THE LAST question - for the records, give the month, day, and year of your birth. (No cheating!)

Now go back and look over the questions you skipped - then panic because you're running out of time.

James here. Thanks for that, Don. I hope you get a good number of entries. I hope a bunch of you readers will give it a shot. Deadline: 1 March 1984!

1982-HT - Hartford  
Fall/Winter 1903

AUSTRIA (Marc Peters 29 E Wilson, Madison, WI 53703):  
A Bud-Gal (retreats OTB), A Tri-VIE, A TYO S A Tri-VIE.  
ENGLAND (Greg Murray Box 10760, Duke Station, Durham,  
NC 27706): F Hel-DEN, F NTH S F Hel-DEN, F Lvp-WAL,  
F ION S F Lvp-WAL, A Edi-LVP.  
FRANCE (Robert Whiting 651 Airport Rd #3, Marion, NC  
28752): A Bel-PIC, F Eng-BEL, F Iri-ENG, A Mar-PIB,  
A BUR S F Eng-BEL.  
GERMANY (Ed Jacobs P.O.Box 119 Midwood Station, Brooklyn,  
NY 11230): Retreats F Nth-NWY; A HOL S A KIE, A Ber-MUN,  
A KIE S A HOL, F NWY-Swe.  
ITALY (Ricardo Fernandez 118 Squire Hill Rd, Montclair,  
NJ 07043): A TUN H, A Ven-APU, F ION H, F NAP S F ION.  
RUSSIA (Blaine Powers 10303A Brownie Dr., Austin, TX  
78753): F BOT-Swe, F Den-Kie (retreats to Bal), A Pru-BER,  
A SIL S A Pru-BER, A Vie-Tri (retreats to Gal), F RUM U,  
A Gal-BUD.  
TURKEY (Russ Rusnak 8002 So. Nagle, Burbank, IL 60459):  
A BUL S A SER, A SER S RUSSIAN A Gal-BUD, F GRE-Ion,  
F AEG S F GRE-Ion, F Smy-EAS.

SUPPLY CENTERS, 1903

AUSTRIA: Tri, VIE, Bud, ~~See~~ (2) Even (one annihilated).  
ENGLAND: Home, Den, ~~Nwy~~ (4) Removes A Lvp.  
FRANCE: Home, Por, Spa, Bel (6) Builds F MAR (was short).  
GERMANY: Kie, Mun, Hol, NWY, ~~See~~ (4) Even.  
ITALY: Home, Tun (4) Even.  
RUSSIA: Home, Rum, Swe, BER, BUD, ~~Vie~~ (8) Builds F STP(nc).  
TURKEY: Home, Bul, Gre, SER (6) Builds F CON.

WINTER PRESS:

LONDON TIMES: The English government heartily welcomes the new French ruler to his throne. We sincerely wish that things may be resolved between our nations, and common goals set and achieved.

MOSCOW-LONDON: That last move was the final straw. I'm now convinced you are against me, and so you'll go down with the rest. That's the way it would have eventually gone, anyway.

TURKEY-ITALY: You know, you've been the best ally an enemy can be. Thanks, Blaine and I really appreciate it.

LONDON-MOSCOW: The Admiralty would like to apologize for the brash actions of its admiral. He has been recalled and replaced with one well-briefed Russian affairs. We hope this past action won't jeopardize our continued friendship and coordination.

ENGLAND-GERMAN FLEET: Get the hell out of Norway!

Spring 1904 orders are due Friday 2 March 1984. The R/T draw did not pass. Proposals for an E/F/G draw and concessions to both Russia and Turkey have been put forward. Please vote on all of these by the next deadline. NVR=yes. Finally, the change to the house rules passed with no objections, so, officially, "Russ Rusnak is the most obnoxious member of the hobby". Of course, this 'rule' applies only to this game.

1983-HE - Graf Spee  
Fall 1902

FRENCH NAVY SITS AS  
GERMAN MARINES REFUSE TO BOARD!

AUSTRIA (Pat Conlon?? P.O.Box 17014, LSU, Baton Rouge, LA 70893): NMR! A SIL U, A GAL U, A BUD U, A Ser U (dislodged, retreats to Alb, Tri, or OTB), F Aeg U (destroyed).  
ENGLAND (Gregg Fritz 2920 Briarwood Rd, #C-1, Bonita, CA 92002): Retreats F Nwy-NWG; F Nth-LON, A LVP H, F NWG-Nth.  
FRANCE (Timothy Allen 29 Stockbridge Ave, Lowell, MA 01854): F ENG C GERMAN A Bel-Wal (nso), F IRI S GERMAN A Bel-Wal (nso), A Gas-BRE, A Spa-GAS, F Lyo-SPA (so).  
GERMANY (Mark Fassio 145 Rhodes Ave., Shaw AFB, SC 29152): F Den-NTH, F HEL S F Den-NTH, F Bal-SWE, A BEL-Hol, A RUH-Hol.  
ITALY (Scott Luckenb&ll USS Jouett (CG-29) M Div, FPO San Francisco 96669): F ION S AUSTRIAN F Aeg-Eas (nso), A Alb-GRE, A Naf-TUN, F TYH H.  
RUSSIA (Ken Hager 412 Alderdale Circle, Anaheim, CA 92807): A Rum-SER, A Sev-RUM, F BLA S A Sev-RUM, A WAR H, A STP S F NWY, F NWY S GERMAN F Den-NTH.  
TURKEY (Greg Murray Box 10760, Duke Station, Durham, NC 27706): A BUL S RUSSIAN A Rum-SER, F Eas-ARG, A Ank-SMY, F CON S F EAS-Aeg.

SUPPLY CENTERS, 1902

AUSTRIA: Home, ~~See~~, ~~See~~ (3) Must remove one. (1 ann.)  
ENGLAND: Home, ~~Nwy~~ (3) Even. (was short)  
FRANCE: Home, Spa, Por (5) Even.  
GERMANY: Home, Den, Hol, BEL, SWE (7) May build two.  
ITALY: Home, Tun, GRE (5) May build one.  
RUSSIA: Home, Rum, NWY, SER, ~~See~~ (7) May build one.  
TURKEY: Home, Bul (4) Even.

PRESS:

ITALY-TURKEY: We've got Austria on the run now, eh?

GM-ITALY: Certainly looks that way.

ENGLAND-WORLD: Why me!?

BERLIN: Whew! What a chance to either (a) excel to new heights, or (b) step all over myself. The moves are fraught with danger.

RUSSIA-ITALY: What are you doing now, pretending you're Rommel? At least it do esn't look like any Montgomery's will be coming to bother you.

ROME-PARIS: Go to hell, you slimy snail-eater! The Med is Italian, and any further moves an your part mean war. Take heed of this warning, lest you have another battle for the Marne on your hands.

BERLIN-AUSTRIA: Pat, what were the moves, old boy? Did you go for the 'sure' build of War, or the unsuspecting German centers? If you went east, that's one thing. If I lost a center, you're done.

GM-BERLIN: And if he did neither?

WARSAW-SILESIA & GALICIA: Be forewarned that any heathen invaders who dare enter here will meet with dire consequences. The militia have been trained to hurl Polish jokes at you.

BERLIN-ITALY: Good luck in the east, and check six in the west. Let me guess: Build A Ven or A Rom, right? Happy Hunting, Scott.

BERLIN-FRANCE: Con-grats on Lon, if you got it, Timothy. We'll soon whittle down the Limey, and from there, on to others! Good luck you-know-where.

FRANCE-ITALY: I'm sick of your requests, threats, and BS. What lies west of Italy is French, and I'm still thinking about Piedmont.

?-AUSTRIA: Take your one-thousand pardons and blow. I just can't wait to see the rest of them eat you up.

ANKARA PRESS: Turkish efforts to gain control of her territorial waters continue, despite the hostile actions of her neighbors to the west. The Turkish government would like to stress that its intent is only to gain security by creating a buffer zone of water and neutral lands. The rest of the European conflict does not concern us.

RUSSIA-GERMANY: The Russian admiralty is somewhat concerned about the German naval maneuvers currently underway in the Baltic. We'll be a lot happier if you vacate the premises and preferably not to Bothnia.

RUSSIA-FRANCE: You're the only person in this game who can't hurt me this season. Bet you must feel left out.

BERLIN-RUSSIA: No covert meanings against you, loyal Czar and co-operator of the Far North! Death to England, and repulse the dark threat at your door.

BERLIN-TURKEY: Release the Janissaries -- Forward to the offense!

NAPLES: The Italian Second Fleet, having been recently sent out on defensive maneuvers, as received an extension of their time at sea - this will put them at sea for over 200 days - the longest time an Italian fleet has ever spent at sea.

NORTH AFRICA: The desert of North Africa has recently seen the dispicable likes of the Italian Army. Apparently, the army commander heard rumors of the rocks of Gibraltar coming together, and is headed west to further Italian hopes of Iberia. The commander has found, instead, a post in Siberia, while the new CO is being briefed on local geography over meals of pasta and pizza.

RUSSIA-ENGLAND: Welcome to Graf Spee, Gregg. Highfield has left you with a real diplomatic challenge. If you get out of this one, we'll have to start calling you "Houdini" Fritz.

AUSTRIA-TURKEY: Me forgetful? Never! I just misplaced everybody's letters, forgot what troops I had, and who I was allied with. I'm back with it now though, and I'm confident of the success of my alliance with England.

BERLIN-ALL: Now, I'm not an Air Force fanatic, as my Turkish compatriot showed himself with his most recent article (last ish). But, you Navy guys should "leave the driving to us;" we don't steam around on those little boats ("They're called SHIPS, Mister!"), so why should you jaspers take up our airspace, hmm??

NAVY-AIR FORCE: All right, bus drivers, the gauntlet has been thrown down. Let's see some rebuttals.

BERLIN-ALL: Anyone know what Monterey, CA is like? The only disadvantage in going there?? It's California. Psycho Land. Oh well, be brave, Faz ...

**Graf Spee Notes:**

Winter 1902 and Spring 1903 orders are due Friday, 2 March 1984. The Standby for Austria is Bob Howerton 4510 Treeline Dr., Pensacola, FL 32504.

1983-CA - Victory  
Fall 1903

**GERMANS & FRENCH CLASH IN LONDON  
TURKS OCCUPY WARSAW  
RUSSIANS CONTINUE REBUILDING OF HOMETLAND**

AUSTRIA (Bob Howerton 4510 Treeline Dr., Pensacola, FL 32504); A Bud-GAL, A RUM S RUSSIAN A SEV, A BUL-Con, F GRE-Aeg.  
ENGLAND (Jim Makuc P.O.Box 111, Monterey, MA 01245): A Lvp-EDI, F SKA-Swe, F NWY S F SKA-Swe.  
FRANCE (Dale Bakken 1116 Ann St. #12, Madison, WI 53713): F Spa(sc)-MAR, A BUR S F Spa(sc)-MAR, A GAS S F Spa(sc)-MAR, F MID-Spa(sc), F ENG-Lon.  
GERMANY (Ed Menders 817-C Micheltornia, Santa Barbara, CA 93101); A BEL-Wal, F NTH-Lon, F HEL-Nth, A DEN H, A STL S TURKISH A Lvn-WAR, A MUN H.  
ITALY (John Caruso 160-02 43rd Ave., Flushing, NY 11358): A Mar S F WES-Spa(sc)(dislodged, retreat to Pie or OTB), A TYO-Mun, F WES-Spa(sc), F LYO S A MAR, F EAS-Ion.  
RUSSIA (Dan Gorham 800 So. Euclid St., Fullerton, CA 92632); A STP-NW, F SWE S A STP-NWY, A MOS S A SEV, A SEV S AUSTRIAN A RUM.  
TURKEY (Michael Quirk 3830 Chester Dr., Glenview, IL 60025); Retreats A Mos-LVN, A Sev-ARM; A Lvn-WAR, F AEG-Ion, F Bla-CON, F SMY S F Bla-CON, A ARM-ANK.

**SUPPLY CENTERS, 1903**

AUSTRIA: Vie, Bud, Ser, Gre, Rum, Bul (6) May build two.  
ENGLAND: Home, NWY (4) May build one.  
FRANCE: Home, Por, Spa (5) Even.  
GERMANY: Home, Hol, Den, Bel (6) Even.  
ITALY: Home, Tun, Tri (5) Even.  
RUSSIA: StP, Swe, MOS, SEV, ~~War~~, NWY (4) Even  
TURKEY: Home, WAR, Mos, Sev (4) Must remove one.

**PRESS:**

MOSCOW: Again that deadly Russian winter has gain us the victory! Moscow is free, all of Russia is FREE! Now what do we do?

BAKKO-GROUCHO: Perhaps you right. You don't feud ... you just waste away.

ENGLAND-ITALY: Your press makes me want to puke.  
GROUCHO-CARUSO: How is your dominatrix, Ms. Byrne?

TURKEY-RUSSIA: Let's put Caruso's teady out of its misery.

AUSTRIA-WORLD: Where is my Vaseline?

GERMANY-ITALY: Thank you for the concession proposal.  
GERMANY-FRANCE: Since Caruso wants me to stab you, I must. It's nothing personal, you understand. But God is God.

WARSAW: My dear German Cousin: Just who is my "Green" ally? Men from Mars? Overgrown weeds? Isn't green the sign of peace? Now you tell me, why I would want Silesia? (Just where is this Silesia anyhow?) It is of no value. Now, please check with this litte "green" man and find out why he is failing to tell you the truth, and then let us both meet in Rome for a nice cup of coffee and talk about what a nice burial we will give him.

TURK-JERK: Why haven't you conquered France yet?

FRANCE-ITALY: Support you in Munich! It's been cold outside at times but Hell hasn't frozen over yet!

GERMANY-TURKEY: Hang in there guy.

WORLD-CARUSO: Concede? Never!! If you don't want to waste your time, NMR! N-M-R!

MOSCOW: Silesia, Silesia, just where is this Silesia?? But I bet now that the hot dog corps from Berlin are there. Our poor little Warsaw sausage is in danger of being eaten. All this because the hot dog listened to the boloney from Italy.

GERMANY-ITALY: Show me your whip marks.

BAKKO-WOP WIMP: What brand of dishwashing liquid does Kathy make you use?

GERMANY-FRANCE: Hope you didn't leave me hanging. I am running out of friends.

ST. PETERSBURG: Now just why would the English attack the Russian Norweign troops when his own home is about to be taken over by the French and Germans!

ENGLAND-GERMANY & FRANCE: PLEASE??!! Think if the merits, of the possibilities!

RUSSIA-AUSTRIA: When do I get Rumania back?

TURKEY-AUSTRIA: Do you have Caruso's permission to build this Winter?

SEVASTOPOOL: We just don't have the addresses of all the rulers of this world - so please contact us if you would like to have some diplomacy!

Winter 1903 and Spring 1904 are due Friday, 2 March 1984.

1983-AA - Bonhomme Richard  
Spring 1903

**FRENCH ARMADA ARRIVES OFF WELSH COAST  
ITALIANS TAKE BELEGRADE  
RUSSIANS DRIVEN FROM STOCKHOLM**

AUSTRIA (Chris Seymour 502 B Washington, Madison, WI 53703); A Ser-Bud (destroyed), A VIE S A Ser-Bud.  
ENGLAND (Robert Whiting 651 Airport Rd #3, Marion, NC 28752); F Ska-SWE, A NWY S F Ska-SWE, F NWG S F NWY, F NTH S F NWY.  
FRANCE (Jeff Sandelin 417 Edwards St., Ft. Collins, CO 80534); F Bre-ENG, F Mid-IRI, A MAR H, A GAS-Bur, A PIC S A GAS-Bur.  
GERMANY (Dan Gorham 800 So. Euclid St., Fullerton, CA 92632); A DEN S ENGLISH F Ska-SWE, F HOL-Bel, A BEL-Bur, A Kie-BER, A MUN S A BEL-Bur, A PIE-Mar.  
ITALY (Mike Kettman 445 Elm #3H, Deerfield, IL 60015); F ION H, F TYH S F ION, A Tri-SER, A ALB S A Tri-SER, A Ven-TRI.  
RUSSIA (Peter Halfman 75 Outlook Dr., Lexington, MA 02173); A StP-FIN, F Bar-STP(no), F Swe S GERMAN A DEN (dislodged, retreat to Bal, Bot, or OTB), A War-GAL, A BUD S A War-GAL, A RUM S A BUD, F SEV S A RUM.  
TURKEY (Greg Doyle 18 Longmeadow Dr., Canton, MA 02021); A GRE S A BUL, A BUL S A GRE, F AEG-Ion, F SMY-Aeg, F CON H.

**PRESS:**

ITALY-GERMANY: The Italian government the German's stay in Piedmont will be short and sweet.

FRANCE-ENGLAND: Every letter you've written has had a threat in it. Do you know any other way to communicate?

ITALY-FRANCE: The Italian government hopes the French government will excuse the long staying guest in its northern provinces.

FRANCE-GERMANY: If I'm in Burgundy, then all is OK; if not, we obviously will need to discuss matters more.

ITALY-ENGLAND: The Italian government wishes well to its far north neighbor.

ITALY-RUSSIA: The union of the two plans should be consummated soon.

Fall 1903 orders are due Friday 2 March 1984.

1983-HM - Mikasa  
Spring 1902

**DISSECTION OF FRANCE CONTINUES  
AUSTRIA DRIVES TURKS FROM SOFIA**

AUSTRIA (Paul Rosenzweig 5415 So. Ellis Ave. #1, Chicago, IL 60659); A TRI-Tyo, A Vie-BUD, A Ser-BUL, A GAL-Rum, F GRE S A Ser-BUL.  
ENGLAND (Pat Pakel 633 Paden St., Endicott, NY 13760); F Lvp-IRI, F ENG-Mid, A BRE S GERMAN A Bur-PAR, F Edi-NWG, F Nwy-SWE.  
FRANCE (Matthew Fleming 4290 Chateau de Ville #C, St. Louis, MO 63129); A Par-GAS, A SPA S A Par-GAS, F POR-Mid.  
GERMANY (John Caruso 160-02 43rd, Flushing, NY 11358). A MUN-Tyo, A KI S F DEN, A Bur-PAR, A Hol-BEL, F DEN S ENGLISH F Nwy-SWE.  
ITALY (Jim Makuc P.O.Box 111, Monterey, MA 01245); A TUN H, A Mar-PIE, F ION-Aeg, F Nap-AFU, F Rom-TYH.  
RUSSIA (Peter Halfman 75 Outlook Dr., Lexington, MA 02173); F Bot-BAL, A WAR-Gal, A UKR S A WAR-Gal.  
TURKEY (James Wall 27 N. Mills, Madison, WI 53715); F SmY-EAS, F CON-Aeg, A ANK-Con, F Rum-BLA, A Bul-Rum (destroyed), A SEV-Ukr.

**PRESS:**

VIENNA: The Archduke is giving a party today. I hope someone enjoys it.

ROME-ANKARA: What do you mean by not answering your letter? I wrote you twice, after I received your one letter!

NAPLES-TRIESTE: I hope you realize that once Turkey eats me for lunch and finds he is unable to get past the Eng into the Mid Atl. he is going to have you for dinner!

I'd be interested in hearing what Turkey promised you so that you would change your mind from "everlasting ally" to "unconditional enemy".

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You may have heard about the re-release of five films by Alfred Hitchcock that havn't been shown in over 25 years. If they are playing in your area, I'd strongly encourage you to see one or more of them. Before I left San Diego, a month ago, the first of them, "Rear Window", was being shown. It was great!!

"Rear Window" stars James Stewart, as a free-lance photographer, and Grace Kelly (who is ablosutely gorgeous!) as his girlfriend. Stewart is confined to a wheelchair in his apartment due to a broken leg, and spend his time looking out of his rear window into the apartments of his neighbors. He thinks that he sees a murder and the rest is a great Hitchcock thriller. See these films if you have the chance.

Letters and Cards

Ken Hager writes:

From Pat Pakel (prefaced by "If you need some filler, you might want to run this. Or, you could use it to line a bird cage..."):

"Dear James,

"Hi. Nice meeting you at ByrneCon. Also, congrats on another fine issue...

"The player poll was interesting, but there was obviously one thing wrong with it. I WASN'T #1!! I wasn't even in the top ten! Geez, what happened to all those fake ballots I sent in? Could the Post Office have lost them all? Even worse, that lady from Flushing was #1! Now, we all know she is absolutely the cheapest stabber around, and that she gets her votes by twisting arms at her ByrneCons. Ladies and gentlemen of Dipdom, can we allow this bogus poll to stand unchallenged?? I call upon your sense of honesty and justice; start a new poll! I nominate the trustworthy James Woodson, a man of impeccable reputation, (did I get any free issues for that?) to run this new poll. Return integrity to Dipdom and vote ME #1 today!!

"Well, #9 was really nice. I like the new format with the word processor myself - what kind of computer does your dad have? Let me guess... an IBM PC?

"Have you ever played 'Dune'? That game is a hell of a lot of fun to play.(way better than 'Rail Baron') Perhaps you could run a game of it postally some time? (hint, hint!)

"Eat snakes? Yechhhh!! I'd rather starve! Even spinach sounds better than that.

Best wishes,

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"P.S. Tell Kathy that, cheap stabs and all, I still love her."

Thanks for the letter, Pat. It was fun getting nuked by you that weekend, too. Pat was able to destroy 3 of my units using a single nuke in a game of Final Conflict. No thanks, I'm not going to run a poll. But it is nice to know that you have such confidence in me. I've never played "Dune", but I did read the book. Mark Leudi is currently running a game of it my mail. I'm sure he needs standbys. Why don't you sign up for my "Rail Baron" game?

I loved using the word processor and was very happy with the finished product. It's been hard going back to the typewriter and the white-out. As I mentioned in #9, I used a KAYPRO/Perfect Writer with an EPSON printer.

From Jim Briggs:

"Dear James,

"And a howdy-doo too you! Just got your latest ish, and it was good as usual. I don't know though, that movie quiz is getting really difficult!

"Anyway, here are the answers I came up with for the 'It Happened in 1983' quiz. Actually I haven't been 'in' to news lately, at least not as much since I joined the Army.

"I could kick myself for not knowing the answers to the Jack Lemmon questions, especially the name of the car in 'The Great Race', and also Sam Spade's secretary and also Lady's nickname. I mean, it's embarrassing, Kathy Byrne has more correct answers than me!

"One other point, on Grenada. Those troops from the 82nd Airborne division could never have gotten to Grenada without the Air Force. All the Army has that can carry troops is Helicopters, and they are not used for parachute operations.

"Also, did you know that the Army has more water craft than the Navy, and that the Navy has more planes than the Air Force?"

Yes, I did know that, and I'm glad you said 'water craft' and not 'ships'. There is a big difference. I'd say that your performance in the movie quiz is not due to lack of knowledge, but rather lack of effort. Even still, I think you could pass Kathy if you'd just enter a few more times. Thanks for the entry in the other contest. It's the only one I've got so far. Come on, people, This one is easy!

Larry Peery made the following comment after discussing his voting in the '83 Freshman Zine Poll:

"I'm not impressed with the 1983 zines. I think RM will do better on the late night show and reruns anyway..."

Well Larry, I'm not sure that I agree. 1983 had produced new zines in a rather large quantity, but their quality certainly is up to the individual. It is nice to know that you think of me as the Johnny Carson of pubbers. (Or is that Ted Koppel?)

"I see in the latest issue of Raging Main that some of the comments I made about the Air Force in last month's press have elicited a certain amount of response. I think that since Graf Spee is an all-military game that the press should include some good inter-service rivalry banter. The ball is rolling and I am submitting an opinion paper that I hope will really accelerate it. Forgive me any historical facts that may be in error or for any acertations that may be unsupported by facts. After all, it's the thought that counts.

"Keep up the good work. Raging Main is one of my favorites, particularly because of its nautical flavor. I gave it a very high vote in the Freshman Poll."

Thanks for the vote of confidence. I love the paper! Not least because I am a Navy man. I also hope to see this inter-service press war continue. Just be sure that the Navy wins it! Your comment in the article about the length of Air Force runways particularly hit home.

As we are taught here in Navy flight school, when an aircraft flies below a certain velocity, it behaves differently than when flying faster. When in this "Region of Reverse Command" the pilot cannot climb by raising his nose. This action will only cause the plane to fall faster. As a result, when landing on a carrier (flying as slow as possible), the Naval Aviator must be careful not to goof up and forget that he is in this 'region' of the power curve. Air Force pilots, on the other hand, can afford the luxury of landing faster and don't have to worry about this dangerous aspect of flight.

Now, the Air Force (or is he Navy now?), Mark Fassio:

"How's everything down there? Hope your classes/practical instruction is going OK. I wish you continued success there, buddy.

"Congrats are in order for yours truly. I have decided with OBVIOUS degradation to my career (obvious joking here) to ACCEPT my educational offer to attend "THE" school.

"You heard right, Cruiser Breath! I've been accepted (1 out of 9 slots) to attend NRGs, starting 9 July! With the travel time, reporting date, etc., I should leave here around 15 June and get there around 30 June. I'm really excited, James. The school is prestigious, the class is what I want, and I even go for a year's worth of language study... 2 years total. Boy, 'rough' assignment, eh? I'm ready to go.

"You know, for all the abuse I sling at "THE SOUTH" (most of it well-deserved), I nonetheless shall miss Sumter. Nice people, pretty countryside, and 12 hrs. from home, as opposed to 2,700 mi. from Calif. Still, 'California, here I come!'

"You know why they picked me for the school, don't you? It's because I look so much like Magnum, P.I., when I'm in dress whites! Obvious, right?

"Actually, the real Faz gets unveiled (got unveiled) in the most recent issue of EE, in the photo contest. Yup ... that's me.

"But I'm tired of filling you in on me! I'm boring. What are you doing? Strafing cattle on the Lower 40? Doing Immelman turns yet? Etc., etc. Please keep the readership informed on your latest escapades.

"(Transition): Which reminds me. More kudos to you on your stories, your quizzes, and the general format of the 'zine; it's quite enjoyable, and I hope you win for Freshman Zine.

"I notice Scott Hanson didn't even mention my ESAD as a candidate in the Subzine Poll! Mr. Popular, I'm not. That's OK, I've got my Uncle Vito coming over to give Scott and Frauke some nice new cement overshoes ... call it a gift, you Minnesota Viking!

"Take care of yourself and fly high.

Best,  
Faz"

First off, Faz, there is no subzine section to the Freshman Zine Poll. Scott never intended there to be one. So don't feel bad that ESAD wasn't included, okay?

Great to hear that you're heading for California. What will you be studying in Monterey? It sounds like a great opportunity. Say, are you up for Captain soon? How long does it take to make O-3 in the AF?

So that was you in the EE contest? I didn't guess you.

The next letter comes from Jeff Sandelin:

"Along with orders I will send this short note. Where do your playlists come from? Recent or all-time? Albums or singles? Here's a list of my latest purchases: Paul Simon Hearts and Bones, Bob Dylan Infidels, Paul McCartney Pipes of Peace, Tom Waits Swordfish Trombones, & Barbara Streisand Yentl. I'll send a list of all time favorites next time."

My playlist (when I print it) is just what I happen to listen to while I'm agonizing over the typewriter to put this thing out. They are generally albums, and could be anything that I own, new or old. Thanks for your letter.



Another letter from Steve Knight:

"Hot damn — I'd almost forgotten I'd written that letter! Oh well, two and a half months late is better than none, since I screwed up and sent it to the wrong address. Well, like I've said elsewhere, I never claimed to be bright...

"As for soccer in the Twin Cities, yes, the Dome didn't help, but Sweet pulled out before the lease arrangement had ever gone into negotiation. True, the original Kicks management built most of the support by selling it as entertainment (free parking and tailgating, relatively low prices, etc.), but I think that fan commitment had grown to the point where it could have supported soccer in the Dome, given the chance. Anyway, we may get the opportunity to see whether or not my guesses are right. When I was home in the Cities over Christmas, a rumor was flying that the NASL Tulsa team may be moved to Minnesota. Haven't heard anything about it since then, though, but then again soccer coverage is not one of the Washington Post's fortes.

"Wasn't the Caruso-Makuc feud exciting enough for Woody? Can't please some people, I guess. Haven't gotten the United results. Hope the Tomcats did okay — I'll be coming after you in match #5."

United results are out now. I plan on talking about it somewhere else in this issue, so not here. Steve, you didn't send anything to the wrong address. It was the base post office that neglected to forward it to me.

I hope that soccer will return to the Twin Cities. A lot of people miss it. Be glad you've got the Post. I am sure it is better than the Minneapolis Star & Tribune. (For those of you who are uninitiated, that's one newspaper) Now that I'm here in Corpus, I get all of my news from the TV, Time and The Sporting News. TSN is great for baseball, but all the soccer it gives is weekly standings.

From Tom Swider:

"Linda Ronstadt? Yougottabekiddin'!"

Oh, well.

Notes from Brad Wilson:

"Geez, I say all those nasty things about the Dodgers and what do I get?"

"Bruce Springsteen sucks!"

"I'm listening to his Darkness on the Edge of Town LP on my walkman now. I know a substantial group of people don't like him, so I'll refrain from jumping on you. More of that kind of comment and you're inviting a 10 page article.

"Can't wait for Rail Baron. Already I'm playing Postal Monopoly - believe it or not. That might, well will be, a lot of fun. If you want to play, I don't think there is a game fee, and you'd enjoy it if you like Monopoly. Write to: Stephen Lee, 23690 Donne Creek, Sheridan, OR 97378.

"Music - pick up the new P-Funk All Stars LP. Good stuff! As for Linda Ronstadt, she's without a doubt, one of the most versatile performers in music today. Her Greatest Hits LPs are superb; I wasn't so keen on her when she decided to go rocky. She's better suited to 'Long, Long Time' or 'Silver Threads & Golden Needles'.

"You'd be surprised - I like a lot of 'mellow music'. I have Sinatra (4 LPs) in my collection plus a lot of Joel and Dixieland. If you think this new LP is good, maybe I'll pick it up for an addition to my mellow dept.

"More James Bond in movie questions!"

"McKeon's trade of Monge for Lefevre didn't strike me as too bright, but his others seem pretty solid. That Wiggins is a tough out and nasty if he gets on."

Thanks for the letter, Brad, but get a typewriter!! The information of postal Monopoly is there for anyone who might be interested. I don't think I've got the time for it now, but who knows? Sorry, no more James Bond. Sure, Lefevre did a good job for the Phils, but he had no place in our outfield and we needed a reliever. McKeon picked up Wiggins from the Dodger organization a few years back in a draft for next to nothing. I think I've got more baseball comments elsewhere this issue.

The Springsteen line was typed on the spur of the moment. I wondered if it would draw any fire.

Speaking of Sports

The Raiders won the Super Bowl. Enough said. Kathy wins the Whitestonia football pool and ten of my dollars.

In the great indoor soccer wager, it looks like Judy and the 'Quakes are out to a sizable lead over the Sockers. As of 22 January it's Golden Bay leading the NASL with a 10-5 record and San Diego is 2½ games back in fourth place at 8-8. However, don't forget that the Socks started badly both of the last two seasons and ended up champions.

Jim Williams' United is underway with the first three games played. My South Texas Tomcats didn't fare too well, starting out 1-2. Among those games was a 7-1 loss to Mark Leudi's Indiana Veggies and a 3-0 shutout win over Judy Winsome's Flames (although Judy is competing under her pseudonym, Jerry Lucas).

Among RM readers, Leudi, Winsome, Steve Knight, and myself have teams entered. We are all (amazingly enough) in the same division. Among the four of us, Knight's Round Tables lead with a 2-0-1 record, followed by the Veggies and Flames (1-1-1), and the Tomcats who are hanging in there at 1-2-0.

The Padres won the bidding war for Goose Gossage and thus are being proclaimed as favorites to win the NL West. I'm not going to argue. I will say that they paid too much for Gossage. I suppose one can say that, if they go to the playoffs this year, no price is too high, but I'm not sure. All I can say is that I'm looking forward to this season.

Basketball: I saw No. Carolina play LSU last weekend. Too bad, Pat. I thought they might be able to pull off that upset. College basketball still beats the hell out of the NBA.

The Winter Olympics are upon us once again. All eyes seem to be on the USA Hockey team. I'm afraid another Gold will be another miracle. But then again miracles do occur, right? Said team took five players from the University of Minnesota team.

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James Bond fans. Are you looking for a change of pace? I suggest that you check out "Mystery" on PBS. Currently they are running a series entitled, "Reilly: Ace of Spies". This is a 12-part series about Sidney Reilly, a British agent who operated in the first half of this century. He set the standard for the modern intelligence agent. Ian Fleming, Bond's creator, who also worked for British Intelligence, once said, "James Bond is just something that I dreamed up. He is NOT Sidney Reilly."  
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ATTENTION: VOICE OF DOOM Subscribers!  
As you know, BRUX is running a contest to identify quotes from his 'zine. I am willing to trade information with any and all of you. Just write me and we'll work something out. I've already figured out 18 of them, I think.

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