

A lightning-fast issue, but with any luck all games will get included, and a day early at that. The "involuntary one-week turnaround" games due last week (77AM, 77AShe and 79R) were typed on Sunday and printed on even-numbered pages. The other games will be printed on Monday (to save a little time, I'm taking the chance of typing up ahead of time the games with all orders in. Time will tell whether or not I blew it. Here goes....

Game 1979 Imp. Spring 1962: DARK CONTINENT STRANGELY HUSHED, IN CONTRAST TO
(Sacred Rhino) DIN OF WAR IN EUROPE!

COA: as of Nov. 1: Dan MacLellan, 56 Ogmoore Cr. SE, Calgary, Alta., Canada.

Austria/Boers (Peggy Gemignani): a boh-tyo; f adr-ven; da cly un; nrs nie un.

England/Zanzibar (François Guerrier): f lon-eng, s by f nth; f nwy-swe;
a wal-lpl, s by da yor; nrs mwe-tab.

France/Monomotapa (Bob Albrecht): a pic-bur, s by a par; a por-spa;
da sil s Rus a pru-ber (nso); f eng-mid; nrs nya-mve.

Germany/CABOS (Robert Cheek): a hol-bel, s by da bur; f den-bal; (nsu)
a kie & a mun s a ber; a ber s a mun; nrs tem un; "nrs nie-tra" /

Italy/Baluba (Dan MacLellan): da apu-ven; f tun-ion; f nap-apu;
a ven-tyr; a rom-nap; a bud h; nrs man un.

Russia/Masai (Vic Melucci): da gal-bud; a ukr-rum; f arm-bla; a pru h;
f lya-bal; nrs kil un.

Turkey/Rotse (Raynald Provost): f bulsc-aeg; f smy-eas; a con-bul; a syr-smy;
a gre-ser; da alb-tri; nrs kas h.

Retreat: Italian a bud to vie or disband.

I'm afraid this game as well is goin' down the road; just when things are getting interesting, too... life is hard. Your new GM will be Robert E. Sacks, 4864 Broadway, 5-V, New York, NY 10034, USA. (Let's get this straight - although Robert and I have had differences of opinion concerning variant issues, I have every confidence in his ability as a GM and have no qualms about having him GM this game, if I must pass it on.) Send orders to Robert for Monday, December 3.

Centre chart in #261 (correction in #266), addresses in #265, COAs in #266 and above. All players above are original, except that Robert Paquin played England in SO1 and dropped out (i.e. François played FO1).

Finances: the following sums are transferred to Robert: .39 for Peggy, 2.52 for François, .22 for Bob, 7.89 for Robert, .51 for Dan, .14 for Vic, and 3.38 for Raynald, totalling 15.55.

Stifling a sigh, on to the press....

Constantinople: Alea facta est! Sorry, Peggy!

Smyrna: As a matter of fact, do you know that the deadline date, October 29, is Turkey's national day?! What a good omen!

Poste de l'Original: "National day" ou "national holiday" tont bien tous les deux.

Moscow to Rome: Sorry, my friend, but the Queen in Austria has my full support - Leave Austria at once --

Paris to Great Spirit of Forests and Veldts: Thanks heaps.

Paris to Vienna: I am sorry to hear of your very short career. I guess this
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Game 1979R, Spring 1903: SEASON OF BATTLES, THREATS AND PERFDY!

Austria (Horst John): a vie-tri; a run-bul, s by f gre & a ser; a gal-rum.
England (Bernie Oaklyn): f nth-ska; f hel-nth, s by f eng; a hol-kie.
France (Peggy Gemignani): f mar-lyo, s by f spasc; a par-gas; a bel-bur;
a ruh-mun.
Germany (Bob Albrecht): a den-kie; a pru-lva; a sil-pru; a mun-sil.
Italy (Fred Winter): f tun-wes, s by f lvo (f lvo ret. tyr); a pie-mar;
a ven-tyo.
Russia (Alvin Smoliak): a ukr-war, s by a mos; f sev s Tur a arm-rum (ann.);
f sve-den; f nwy h.
Turkey (Sellick Davies): a arm-sev, s by f bla; "a bul s Aus a rom" (ann.);
a con s a bul.

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Dec. 1, then: 1LT F.C. Winter 393-54-1972, 18th Airborne Corps, c/o Post Lo-
cator, Fort Bragg, NC 28307, USA.
Fall/Winter orders are due Mon., Dec. 10.

London: Seeds of optimism sprouted a face lifting for the British Common-
wealth, an isle nearly given up for dead a decade ago. Destructive riots in
London speeded the flight of the middle class from the city. Crime filled
the gap and accelerated the migration of businesses and residences. Demoli-
tion of abandoned structures left whole provinces empty.
A catalyst for change here has been the Russian forces landing in Nor-
way, where they sit by idle, now, awaiting the sweat water dripping from
our foreheads in anticipation to what night come.
This tangible act of faith encouraged millions of pounds and shillings
in other construction, including a large hotel, two stories high I am told,
and a brewery near the coast of the Irish Sea. These expanded facilities
and a drop in the crime rate here have brought a flood of conventioners
and diplomats. The country that outsiders once avoided will now host a na-
tional convention.
Digging in, neighborhood groups have organized to fight crime and possi-
ble invasion, and the decay that now ravages our cities.
To combat urban mess, platoons of young people have been recruited to
paint murals over wall graffiti, pick up trash, and clean gutters in the
street of the filth deposited by "wastefull" humans, defecating anywhere
they might like. Just eight kilometers from where the roits began, a rust-
ing charriot stands at streetside and vacant lots mark a once active neigh-
borhood.
More critical are the vacant lives of the disadvantaged. An economist
has estimated that half of the young men growing up here will have had no
job experience by the time they reach the age of 22.
We here fear that the real reason our young will not have job experience
is that the Russians will enslave them before their maturity.
The front lines of England struggle for self-respect and look to allies
that might have been unlikely a decade ago.

Moose Factory: At the express request of the author, the foregoing release
was printed totally unedited. All errors of spelling, sense, etc., are the
sole repponsibility of the author.

Game 1977AO, Winter 1908: Austria Built f tri, a vie, a bud; England stood pat; Germany NOR, a bur disbands in lieu of retreat, no removal needed; Russia built" f sevs". By request, we play Winter only.

No orders were received from the temporary sub for Germany, Peggy Gemignani, so I'm replacing her with Robert Roaldi, Unit 703, 3 Liszt Gate, Willowdale, Ont., Canada M2H 1G6. This will last until John Morgan returns.

There's a call for an A/R draw; please vote with your Spring orders. Spring orders should be sent to your new GM (sorry, folks... but at least you've got a top-notch one): Doug Beyerlein, 640 College, Menlo Park, CA 94025, USA. Tentative deadline is Monday, December 3.

Addresses are in #265, position and centre chart in #266.

The game so far...

Game 1977AO: Zine: RUNESTONE(to W08), EPGIART. GM: John Leeder (to W03), Doug Beyerlein. Players: AUS: Doug Hayward. ENG: Gord Bartman. FRA: Trevor Baillie (out W04). GER: John D. Morgan (temp sub Margaret Gemignani W08, Robert Roaldi?). ITA: Galen Workman (out W05). RUS: Eric Kirchner. TUR: David Grabar (dro S06), Norm Dunbar (out W06). (Amazing! All current players are original!).

Centres:	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08
Austria	5	6	8	9	10	11	13*	14
England	4	3	5	5	6	6	5	5
France	5	4	1	-	-	-	-	-
Germany	6	6	8	9	8	9*	6	5
Italy	4	5	4	2	-	-	-	-
Russia	5	6	7	8	9*	8	10*	10
Turkey	3	3	1	1	1	-	-	-

Finances: The following sums are transferred to Doug: for Hayward: .61; for Bartman: 5.24; for Morgan: 1.30; for Kirchner: 1.18. The total is 8.83.

You're in the best of hands. Au revoir. (Perhaps some of you will resub to RUNESTONE?) Doug, I thank you.

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means goodbye. Poor Peg.

Paris to Berlin: You rotten stabber! Pie in the sky promises, and look what happens to me!! You'll get yours! And may your NRS get the supreme punishment!

Monomotapa (Hone of the Crafty Baboon): Full speed ahead for the harem!

Game 1978Fha, Fall 1655: IROQUOIS REGROUP IN LAKE PLACID! WENDAT HANG ON! (Flintlock II) NATIVE POWERS CHIP AWAY AT ENGLISH-HELD LANDS!

Algonkians (Steve Norris): TeNv h; Detr-Neut; Mgan h; Huro-Petu, s by LHur & GeoB; Musk-Huro; Outa & Algo s 3Riv; Fron-LOnt; GSTL-Loui; Queb-Chau, s by 3Riv; Gasp-Main.

English (Robert Fisher): DA Mont & DA Main s A Chau; A Chau s DA Mont; DA Moha-Onei; A NYrk & A Penn s E Phil; A Cats-Moha; F Loui-Acad; A Cham s DA Mont; F Phil-Ches.

Iroquois (Vic Melucci): No units.

Ohio Tribes (Steve Cartier): LERI-Niag, s by Sena; Erie s Sena; Miam s Erie; LOnt-Cayu; Dela-Penn, s by FtPt & Onon; King-Dela, s by Kain; Alle-Ches, s by Virg.

Wendat (Robert Cheek): Petu s Niag (ann.); Niag s Petu (ann.); Neut s Petu.
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Game 1977AM, Fall 1903: SMALL POWERS MAKE MIRACLE RECOVERY! RUSSIAN HOME-
LAND ERODES FURTHER! ENGLAND ESCHEWS ARRALEMENT!

England (Dave Pengelly): a mos-sev; a stp-mos; a den-kie, s by f hel;
f bal-ber; f iri-mid; "f bar-norw" (ambiguous, holds).
France (Tom Butcher): a mar s f spasc; a tur s a mar; a nun s a sil-ber (ann.);
a sil-ber; a ruh s a nun; f spasc s a mar (ret. por);
f hol s Eng a den-kie. (a sil ret. pru).
Germany (Frej Wasastjerna): a ber-mun.
Italy (Hartmut Halfmeier): a pie-mar; f lyo-spasc.
Russia (Horst John): f kie-den (ann.); f gre-ion; a ukr-mos; a vie-gal;
a gal-sil, s by a war; a boh & a tyr s Ger a ber-mun.
Turkey (Dave Hurd): f wes a Ita f lyo-spasc; a tun-naf; a bul-gre;
f ion-tyr; f aeg h.

Winter 1908: England: home, kie, den, swe, nwy, stp, sev (9) NBR! 2 short.
France: home, por, ~~spa~~, bel, hol, ~~nym~~ (6) No change.
Germany: ber, mun (2) Builds f ber.
Italy: home, spa (4) Builds a ven, f rom.
Russia: mos, war, ~~sp~~, rum, ser, ~~gre~~, bud, vie, tri, ~~Xis~~ (7)
No change.
Turkey: home, bul, gre, tun (6) Builds a con.

COA: (as of Nov. 5) Dave Hurd, 26 Columbus Rd., Newlands, Lynfrae, 7700,
South Africa. Spring orders/retreats are due, Mon., Dec. 10.

Game 1978AShe, Spring 234: WEST QUIESCENT DUE TO ADMINISTRATIVE FOULUPS!
(Diadochi V) THREE UNITS WIPED OUT ON EASTERN FRONTS!

Gentlemen, label your orders! This season, for two players I have several sets of orders without labelling as to season, etc. I have no way of knowing what season is meant, and it's not up to me to keep track. I'm not calling for standbys, as I know the players sent Spring orders; I just don't know which ones they are. This game is time-consuming to adjudicate as it is; I'm not going to spend time going through orders unit by unit trying to figure out what season you mean. See Houserule 6.

Carthage (Steve Payne): NBR! F Lig, F Ibs, F NCa, A Sag, A Ibe & A Had all hold unordered.

Egypt (Robert Fisher): A Nab-Jer, s by A Sin; A Alx s A Sin; F Bar-SyG, s by F Cyr; F Pam-Cyp, s by F Egy; F Ath-Ion (ann.).

Macedonia (Steve Cartier): F Kor-Ath, s by A Lar; A Pap-Gal (ann.); F Aeg-Eph; A Nic-Per, s by A Thr & F Eux; A Ill-Pel; A Col-Arm; A Scy-Col.

Rome (Pete Reese): NBR! A Lug, A Aqu, A Bel, A ECe, F Mas, A Cis, A Etr, F Rom, F Nea, F Bru, F SAd, F Sar, F Car, A Pmo, F Afr, F Mel & F Ion all hold unordered.

Syria (Konrad Baumeister): F Chx-Cyr; F Sid-Lev, s by F Jer; A Dur-Pmy; A Phi & A Tyr s F Jer; A Sel-Atr; F Iss-Pam; A Ant-Cap; A Eph & F Per; A Phr-Nic, s by F Per; A Pon-Pap, s by A Gal; A Arm h, s by A Arb.

Fall orders are due Mon., Dec. 3.

Flintlock (continued from p. 3): Centres: (oops: English retreat A Penn to Cats or disband).

Alg: Musk, Nipp, Algo, Sagu, RivN, TeNv, Loui, Mack, Pott, Mgan, Detr, Petu, Detr, Huro, Fron, Outa, 3Riv, Queb, Gasp (19) Build 5. Remove Lont, LHur, GeoB due to freezeup; 2 short.

Eng: Phil, NYrk, Bost, NEng, Lain, Loni, Chau, Chan, Mont, Moha, Onei, Huds, Cats, Pani + 2 offboard (14) Build 1 or 2 depending on retreat; remove F Acad due to freezeup; 1 short.

Iro: Adir (1) Build 1.

Chi: Mian, Ohio, Shaw, Erie, Ming, Sena, Niag, Onon, FtP, Penn, Cayu, Appa, Alle, Virg, Ches, Dela, Kain (17) Build 5.

Wen: Pani, Niag, Neut (1) No change.

Note that various combinations of builds (or lack thereof) could give joint victories to either Eng/Alg or Eng/Ohio. Perhaps the principles could indicate their acceptance or lack thereof to me, in the event that this occurs?

Winter/Spring orders are due Mon., Dec. 3.

Game 1979Jhg, Spring 236: SCRIBE PERFORMS MIRACLE - GETS ALL SEVEN GAMES IN (Imperator) ISSUE, MAILED A DAY AHEAD OF TIME!

African Commander (Art Lowe): A Jerusalem-Tyre; F Cyprus (AGC)-LevantineSea; F NovaCartago-Malacca; A Carthage h; A Cyrene h; A Ptolema's h.

Danube Commander (Vic Melucci): A Larissa (AGC)-Athens; A Moesia-Scythia; A Thrace-Nicomedia; A Illyria-Epirus; A Pannonia-Noricum; A Dacia-Pannonia.

Emperor (Steve Payne): A Venetia-Noricum; A CisalpineGaul-Reatia; A Syracuse (PG)-Palermo; F AeolianSea-Carthage; F Neapolis-SouthTyr; F Brundisium-SouthAdr; A Ravenna-Venetia; A Rome-Etruria;

Rhine Commander (Raynald Provost): A UpperGermania-Reatia; A LowerGermany-UpperGermany; A WestCeltica-wassilia, s by A EastCeltica(AGC); F Britannia-OceanusAtlanticus; A Lugdunum-Aquitania.

Syrian Commander (Dan MacLellan): A Galatia-Phrygia; A Cilicia (AGC)-Lycia; A Cappadocia-Pontus; A Sidon-Philadelphia (imp); A Palmyra-Dura; A Antioch-Sidon.

See p. 1 for Dan MacLellan's COA. Fall orders (with retreats and Winter - this is a worldwide game!) are due Monday, December 10.

Danube: Victorious to the Emperor: There are rumors you wish to expand your private armies - Is this to keep all the ladies in Rome for yourself?

Vesantio (Besancon, now), East Celtica: We must unify or die!

Rome: The Emperor welcomes AGC Raynaldus in his Roman reincarnation, and hopes that the pages of RUJESTONE will soon again be decorated with the weird runes and illegible markings of the Syrian scribe. (Of course, the scribe was reincarnated with Raynaldus.) The Emperor is pleased with Victorius' prompt evacuation of Venetia and wishes him Godspeed in his conquest of Galatia and the Impassable. The Emperor announces that Imperial fleets are investigating the widespread rumours of strange marvels in Africa - including Legionaries flying across the sea and illegible messages sent great distances on a magic wire. These rumours are not to be trusted (nor the marvels either, it seems!)

CHILLO! CHILLO! (one for last week...)

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