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Around here it was a busy month. I had a mid-term (a real toughie) and a term paper due in my "20th Century Europe" class. Actually, it is quite interesting. I hadn't delved too deeply into World War One and now I've a better understanding of the time period. Next, we're heading into the World War Two era; something I'm more comfortable with (and a chance to bring up my grade).

I was extremely impressed with Patrick Stewart at the Star Trek convention I went to October 4th (two sessions). He is impressive. After answering questions for the better part of an hour (including diplomatic answers to ridiculous questions) he launched into a short bit of Shakespeare off the top of his head. During the mesmerizing oration, the packed auditorium was almost silent. I enjoyed it, and I don't particularly like Shakespeare. He is definitely one actor I'd stand in line to see again.

To top the day off, I had taken my complete Shakespeare (every so often he asks for a copy from the audience to read from). At worst, I figured, I'd have to lug the book around for a day. As luck would have it, he asked for a copy and took mine. However, he needed to borrow it to take back to LA. He wanted to do some research and his copy was forgotten. He stated he'd return it (of course), so I'm waiting to see if he signs it or includes a note.

Unfortunately, I haven't been able to spend much time learning Word Perfect (just enough to get me through the term paper). I certainly expect to institute some format changes in the next issue - and open up some room for articles that are on file.

Speaking of the next issue, note the deadline is WEDNESDAY. The normal Thursday deadline is Thanksgiving, and there will be no mail service. I couldn't move it to Friday as I'm planning on attending (yet) another Star Trek convention in Austin. Since there are five weeks between issues, this shouldn't be a problem.

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The Brazilian Times

by Luiz Cláudio S. Duarte

Well, President Collor is now impeached and is being tried by the Senate. In a few more weeks, he will probably be convicted and expelled from the office. In the meantime, vice-president Itamar Franco is beginning to show some promise. We are holding our collective breath and waiting to see if he will succeed.

A thorough discussion of national ethics started as a direct result of the impeachment and its circumstances. Since some years ago, someone who can break the laws and is not caught is often admired. In a lesser and more widespread way, there is a national institution called "jeitinho", which is normally a request to bypass the rules in one's benefit - for example, asking the officer to "forget" a fine. These habits are now being frowned upon by a significant part of the society. It is to be noted that this ethic - or lack of it thereof - is more prominent among the "dominant classes". The leading witness in the House of Representatives' hearings on Collor was one of his drivers, a humble man now under police protection.

This may help to explain the case of Grow, a company from São Paulo that published *Diplomacy* in Brazil (the game was discontinued some years ago). Grow started as a backyard enterprise in 1971 by four friends (Geraldo, Roberto, Oded and Waldir). There was no game industry in Brazil by the time, so they assembled and sold pirate copies of *Risk* (published here as *War*). It was an instant success, and the backyard was replaced by modern premises and equipment. Other games followed: *Diplomacy* (the 1961 version, as *1914 - O Jogo da Diplomacia*), *Tactics II* (as *MX-1*), *Acquire* (as *Cartel*) and many others, almost all from foreign companies.

However, Grow often did not pay royalties, nor it acknowledged the original games by a copyright notice. This was done by changing minor details in the games, as one of the owners admitted in an interview in 1977. In *1914*, for instance, this was done by two changes: North Africa is a supply center and Italy begins the game with a fleet (not an army) in Rome. There is one other change (I don't know if it was so in the 1961 version of *Diplomacy*): Heligoland borders on Berlin. The translation of the rules was not good, causing many doubts. Worse still, Grow didn't help its customers; some friends and I sent them letters that were never answered.

The ostensible reason for these changes was to perfect the games. The changes not always were for the better, though. American writers who have commented the changes in *1914* have speculated that they could boost Italy's chances, allowing (for instance) a faster Lepanto. In my experience, however, this is not so. The problem is that North Africa is easier to get for France than for Italy (Bre-Mid, Mar-Spa in Spring 1901, and Mid-NAf in Fall 1901). After all, Portugal can always be captured later. So France is much more interested in Mediterranean naval affairs - a truce between North Africa and Tunis is uneasy at best. For these reasons, I think that the original version is best. Italy must seek her answer elsewhere.

As an addendum: the current address of Grow is **R. Vicente Leporace, 125 - 09895 São Bernardo do Campo - SP - BRAZIL**. I informed the old address to Fred C. Davis, Jr. in a letter. There has recently been a change of policy in Grow, following a series of financial problems last year. It is possible that the new management acknowledges game copyrights, but I prefer to wait and see.

**Tracking the Celtic
Connection - Thistle
and Shamrock**

Sundays, 9 PM, KSTX

"THISTLE AND SHAMROCK"
Mensa #35 -- BN: 1991A



RUSSIAN/FRENCH DRAW
in Winter 1909

Final Game Reports

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09
Turkey (Jim Grose - survival)	4	6	6	5	6	6	7	4	1
Russia (Peter Kohnke - Two Way Draw Participant)	6	5	6	6	8	9	10	13	15
Italy (Samuel H. Polak - resigned F05; Kevin Kinsel - eliminated F07)	3	4	4	4	2	2	0		
England (George Kilmer - eliminated F04)	4	3	1	0					
France (Marc Hight - Two Way Draw Participant)	5	7	9	10	11	13	14	14	14
Germany (Konrad Baumeister - NMR'd out S05; Vince Lutterbie - eliminated F06)	5	6	5	5	3	0			
Austria (Mike Koziol - dropped without submitted orders pre-S01; Stora Harris - resigned F06; Jim Lewis - survival)	4	3	3	4	4	4	3	3	4

End-Game Statements

Marc Hight: As this was my first game ever in PBM Dip, the early game was spent getting my bearings and making mistakes. The early and middle parts of the game were particularly challenging, for my neighbors simply ceased writing (two of them simply withdrew from the game eventually). Italy even went so far as to stab me twice, and although neither were all that successful, both were troubling. Italy managed to convince me of an impending German attack (a mythical one as it turned out) that seemed plausible at the time given the lack of communication between myself and Germany. My naive reaction resulted in my having two hostile neighbors and no friends.

Then Russia and I "found" each other. Peter was both in an excellent position to assist me and non-threatening, and I like to think that I served the same role. The two year difficulty I had with unstable uncommunicative allies was suddenly gone. I suppose that this in some part explains my hesitancy and conservative play towards the end of the game (much to Turkey's chagrin). The ease and effectiveness of the Russo-French alliance simply stayed too convenient to abandon. I did agonize at a few points over whether I ought to stab Russia and take the centers for a potential solo win, but I opted not to for several reasons. 1) Austria was a perpetual wildcard. Thanks must be extended to Jim Lewis who stepped in and played really well. 2) I gained an early respect

for Turkey's play, and frankly I did not trust my chances against a Russo-Turkish alliance which I felt sure Jim would construct against me, despite his statements to the contrary. Perhaps in the latest stages of the game this was no longer a problem, but by then I had made the decision to stay the course.

I would like to thank all the players for a thoroughly enjoyable game, especially Jim Grose and Peter Kohnke, who were reliable players and sporting press-writers. Mr. Grose certainly deserves praise for keeping the press engaging (sorry I joined rather late in the fray, I hope you took my 'jabs' in the same light spirit as I took yours). Finally, thanks to the GM, who helped me get adjusted and answered a few pesky questions to keep me up with the game.

Peter Kohnke: I am pleased that the Sultan has learned that there is more than one way to approach the game of Diplomacy.

My thanks to France for being a loyal ally, and to the GM for running a tight ship. I'm glad the new A/H had a good time - so did I.

Jim Grose: If nothing else, this was quite an eye-opening learning experience for Sultan Jim the Great (Jim Grose) of Turkey.

As if it wasn't bad enough that five (count 'em, five) different players were in charge of Austria-Hungary, the person issuing orders for most of the time (Stora Harris) almost never responded to my letters. It was I who organized the English-German (George Kilmer - Konrad Baumeister) invasion of Russia in 1902. It would have worked if Turkey could have been part of it then, but Stora refused to agree to a ceasefire (or even to respond) and continued his pointless Balkan War.

He was joined by Italy (Sam Polak) who, for some reason, remained blind to the obviously impending French invasion. Italy in effect forced me to make a pact with the Devil: the Franco-Turkish Alliance.

Although Russia (Peter Kohnke) had warned me from the start that he held grudges, I was amazed at how he reacted to my belated and disastrous attack on Sevastapol, my withdrawal and the French threat. He refused to ally with me against France, willing to place second just to avenge an aborted attack! As France later wrote to me, "The color of some of the best French units on the board has been white."

The most absurd was yet to come. After France (Marc Hight) and Russia had carved up England, Scandinavia, Germany, etc. between themselves and were in first and second places, they turned, not against each other for the win, but south for a planned draw!

A planned draw!?! A draw is an ending of last resort, when you've run out of time, or reached a stalemate position. You don't plan one!

When informed by France of his and Russia's final intentions. I did almost everything in my power to split the, including proposing (and voting against) French wins. I came close to pulling out hairs when France refused a build!

True, I personally finished a mediocre fourth, but tell me.

KSTX HIGHLIGHTS

THE THISTLE & SHAMROCK
Sundays, 9 PM

Marc and Peter, which one of you won the game? Neither, by my way of reckoning. A draw is only half a win.

Thanks to both of you for playing through to the end and especially to Marc for his regular and interesting letters, regardless of where our relationship stood at the time.

Sincere thanks to our GM, Andy York, for promptly and regularly publishing the results! Good job!

Jim Lewis: Well, A/H had four dots in Fall 1901 (home plus Ser) and four dots in Fall 1909 (home plus Gre); in between only Vie stayed A/H and four was the greatest number of units. Yet somehow, this great power stayed to the end and a surprising third place finish! Stora Harris did the job to Fall 1906 (NMR twice) then I had the pleasure to game's end. It took the loss of two dots to the Great Sultan Jim to realize that there was no organized "stop the leader" (France). Only then, it became a battle of the Press and vote to test the determination of the France-Russia draw proposals. A/H greatly enjoyed the expert play of Marc Hight and Peter Kohnke whose fine play wrapped up their joint win. It was a pleasure meeting you both in this game! And a special salute to Jim Grose, whose great diplomacy and press have certainly entertained and have added a special ingredient to the game. An example of "its not who wins, but how you play the game!" diplomat. And of course we were all fortunate to play this one in RW, one of the best zines. Thank you all for the fun and enjoyment!

The GM: This was my first attempt at GMing and I thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Of course, this is what brought me into the pubbing world and this 'zine. Thanks to all of the players for the challenge, and the learning experience.

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HOBBY NEWS

- 01) Garret Schenck (40 3rd Place, Basement Apt.; Brooklyn, NY 11231-3302) is collecting information for the next Zine Register (his last). Contact him for a pubber information sheet if you haven't already received on (and you are a publisher). Deadline is November 7th; cost remains \$2.50.
- 02) John Caruso (636 Astor St.; Norristown, PA 19401) is also collecting information for the PDO Zine Directory. The deadline for his publication is December 21st.
- 03) Douglas Kent (54 West Cherry St., #211; Rahway, NJ 07065) is compiling information for the next PDO Census. This listing has a deadline of December 31st and will be available for \$1.00 to all.
- 04) Pete Gaughan (1521 S. Novato Blvd., #46; Novato, CA 94947) has published the first newsletter about DipCon next year. For the life of me, I can't find my copy; so, I'm not sure what the cost is (as I remember, it's free; however, at least send a long SASE and a spare stamp).

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TRUE Snippet: Friday, I asked a guy who hadn't paid his ticket and had a warrant why he was going 110mph in a 55mph zone. He said he was very tired and trying to get home before he fell asleep.

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Excerpts continued. The 6th article featured comments by a Japanese Army photographer who took some 20,000 pictures in China between October 1944 and April 1954. The 7th article focused on a meeting in Osaka, Japan, between Japanese who took part in forcibly recruiting Korean laborers to work in Japan between 1944 and 1945 and some of the Koreans who were forced to come and stay. The article quoted 1 Korean volunteer, who came over before the forcible relocation program began, as saying, "Japan was not the only imperial country, but it is the only one that has tried to wipe out the past without admitting its faults."

The tenth article was an interview with a current radio show host whose father was British and mother was Japanese. He "wrote about atrocities committed by Japanese troops and his own personal struggle with his identity as a member of the Imperial Army. His memoirs are entitled I Was a Soldier of the Emperor." The 11th article was an interview with an English interpreter for the Japanese military police who worked on the Thai-Burmese railway during the war. The article stated "In Thailand and Burma, Japan forced Allied POWs -as well as laborers from Japanese-occupied Southeast Asia- to build the 415 km military railroad through malaria-infested swamps from 1942 to 1943. Some 45,000 to 100,000 workers are estimated to have died of exhaustion, malnutrition, or from the harsh treatment by the Japanese military."

The 13th article interviewed the "leader of a local [Hiroshima] nationalist group [who] does not believe Japanese should see themselves as aggressors during WW II. [He] believes it is part of his job to prevent such perceptions [that Japanese were aggressors]." The 14th article described Hiroshima, the city on which the first atomic bomb was dropped, as "headquarters for the Imperial Japanese Army in western Japan" and as "armed like a fortress shortly before the atomic bombing."

(On 12/07/88, Nagasaki mayor Hitoshi Motoshima said that Emperor Hirohito could not escape some responsibility for World War II. In anger over the remark, a rightist shot & wounded the mayor in January 1990. The 2/25/91 Japan Times wrote that Hiroshima mayor Takeshi Araki "apparently bowing to rightist pressure, has turned down a proposal to display Japan's 'aggressive role' in World War II along with the sufferings of Hiroshima [after a renovation of] Hiroshima's Peace Memorial Museum and Hall....Araki cited...a remark by former Prime Minister Takeshita, who said it is the work of future historians to assess whether Japan was the aggressor in World War II.")

✓ CHECK IT OUT

Riverwalk, Live From the Landing — Saturdays - 8 PM, Sundays - noon

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| Aug. 1 & 2 | "Let's Dance Again" — Music of Benny Goodman, with John Cocuzzi, vibes and Stephanie Nakasian, vocals |
| Aug. 8 & 9 | "Mr. Jelly Lord" — A Tribute to Jelly Roll Morton and his Red Hot Peppers |
| Aug. 15 & 16 | "The Eddie Condon Story," with actor Jerry Stiller, Bobby "Lips" Levine, tenor sax; Stephanie Nakasian, vocals |
| Aug. 22 & 23 | "The Duke" — Music of Duke Ellington, with Clark Terry, trumpet |
| Aug. 29 & 30 | "The 'Fatha' Was the Daddy of Them All" — Music of Earl Hines, with Dick Hyman and John Sheridan, duo pianists |

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KEY

"WHAD' YA KNOW"
RW #2 -- MN: 1991Wrb32

Autumn 1906

Ita: A rom-APU
Fra: a ven-otb
Aus: A rum-GAL

Winter 1906

Tur: build F Smy
Ita: remove F Tun
Eng: build F Lon
Ger: build F Kie



Spring 1907

Turkey (): A NAP s fra a rom, F ion-TUN, F alb-TRI, F smy-AEG,
A arm-SEV, A SER s f alb-tri, A RUM s a arm-sev,
F BLA s a arm-sev
Russia (): F STP(SC)-lvn, A sev-rum (r-mos/otb),
A UKR s a sev-rum
Italy (): A VEN s a apu-rom, A APU-rom
England (): F ska-NWY, F NTH s f ska-nwy, F NWG s f ska-nwy,
F bre-MAO, F POR-spa(sc), F lon-ENG
France (): F tyn-WME, A ROM s tur a nap, F LYO-spa(sc)
Germany (): A pru-LVN, A WAR s a pru-lvn, A hol-RUH, F kie-DEN,
A mun-BUR, A BEL holds, F nwy holds (r-bar/otb),
F den-SWE, A swe-FIN
Austria (): A BUD s a gal-rum, F tri s ita a ven (r-adr/otb),
A GAL-rum

If you're playing, a red checkmark will be next to the country.

CENTERS

Turkey (8): Con/Ank/Smy/Gre/Bul/Rum/Ser/Nap
Russia (3): Mos/Sev/Stp
Italy (2): Ven/Tun
England(6): Lon/Edi/Lpl/Spa/Por/Bre
France (3): Mar/Par/Rom
Germany(9): Kie/Ber/Mun/Hol/Swe/Den/Bel/Nwy/War
Austria(3): Vie/Bud/Tri

DUE DATE for

Summer/Fall 1907

November 25, 1992 at 12:00 noon

NOTE: Last turn's adjudication showed a German F Swe. It should have been A Swe. All players notified of the change.

PRESS

Rus-Eng: A wee bit late with your support to Sweden. Soon I'll be gone, then you'll be next. Germany has an impressive fleet and only one direction to take it.

Russian Revolutionary Council-Pope: We were saddened when the reports arrived informing us of the destruction of the Vatican. It was comforting to know that the Pontiff was able to escape unharmed. We would like to invite your Holiness to come and visit with us in Vladivostok at the former Tsar's Far East Summer Cottage, far away from the turmoil in Europe.

Rus- Aus: I did my best.

(Italy) "My dear compadres, our beloved Monsignor Henri met his death in the fall of Rome. It was....a malforunata accident. I shall step into his shoes and try to better lead our brave soldiers to recover our homeland."

"Long live Monsignor Montessori," the small crowd shouts.

"We are indebted to our eastern neighbors for their aid retaking Venice, and we shall repay them with our support whenever possible. It is hoped that the cursed French will drive the heathen Turks off our lands in their desperate greed."

"Have we any other allies, milord Montessori?"

"I think we can count on the English and the Germans to capture Paris and Marseilles. If only Austria & Russia push the Turks back, we may survive. Bless you all."

Eng-Ger: "But I like bickering over Norway. Maybe I'm just partial to blonds with big....brains!"

Fra-Ger: Please note that our ex-alliance has given you the lead, even though you did stab and abandon your ally.

Fra-Eng: Beware - Germany can NOT be trusted.

Fra-Tur: Thank You!

Ger-Eng: Attacking Norway and Denmark, and supported a Russian attack on Sweden is not what I would call supporting a peace proposal. If I do not see any good will from you this turn, then the Anglo-German war is back on.

Ger-Aus: You have nothing to fear from Germany. Would you like to have a non-aggression treaty for four years or a common defense treaty against Turkey?

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POLL QUESTION (cont)

Question for December: Many families have traditions that they do every holiday season. For instance, you may always put up a Christmas Tree on the first Saturday in December or you may always serve the same dish at the Thanksgiving feast. What traditions do you remember from your childhood and what traditions do you now practice?

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America's Classic Jazz with The Jim Cullum Jazz Band

"RiverWalk: Live from the Landing"

RW #4 -- BN: 1992L

Autumn 1903

Tur: A smy-SYR

Winter 1903

Tur: Disband a syr, a ank
Rus: Build A STP
Ita: Build F NAP
Eng: Build F LON
Aus: Build A VIE

Spring 1904

Turkey (Gonsalves): F bla s aus a bud-rum (nso) (r-ank/otb)
Russia (Brooks): F CON s f arm-bla, F arm-BLA, A rum-SEV,
A war-SIL, F BAL s a swe-den, F NWY-ska,
A swe-DEN, A stp-FIN
Italy (Koehler): A MAR s ger a bur (nso), F LYO s a mar,
F tyn-WME, A VEN holds, F nap-APU
England (Clingman): F mao-ENG, F HOL-kie, A BEL-den,
F NTH c a bel-den, F LON s f nth
France (Wallace): F SPA(SC)-mar, A par-BUR, A GAS s f spa-mar,
A PIC s a par-bur
Germany (Voogd): A bur-bel (r-ruh/mun/otb), A BER s a den-kie,
A den-KIE, F SKA-nth
Austria (Eastep): F tri-ADR, A gre-ALB, A BUL s a ser-rum,
F smy-AEG, A bud-TRI, A ser-RUM, A vie-TYL,

CENTERS

Turkey (1): Ank
Russia (8): War/Stp/Mos/Sev/Nwy/Swe/Rum/Con
Italy (5): Rom/Nap/Ven/Tun/Mar
England(5): Lon/Edi/Lpl/Bel/Hol
France (4): Bre/Par/Spa/Por
Germany(4): Kie/Ber/Mun/Den
Austria(7): Vie/Tri/Bud/Ser/Gre/Bul/Smy



Jim Cullum, leader of the band

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Riverwalk, Live From the Landing

DUE DATE for

Summer/Fall 1904

November 25, 1992 at 12:00 noon

Note

- 01) There has been an error for two months on the specific year (not seasons). This is corrected above and hasn't affected the play of the game.

PRESS

Czar-Sultan: "Bye"

Czar-Kaiser: "Looks like your "ally" has some sharp knives!"

Aus-Rus: "Plotting against me, huh? You are dead meat, Joe..."

Fra-Ger/Eng/Ita: How long will you punish me for my pacifistic view of the world. There is a Russian-Austrian juggernaut about to role over you without enough French dots to be gained to stop Rus/Aus. Wake up you silly boys and take note.

Ger-Aus: Only you can stop the Russian menace. What do you suppose he'll do with those two fleets?

Ger-Rus: You've played well. You deserve to win.

Ger-Eng: Your move is incomprehensible. You deserve to lose.

Ger-Ita/Fra: You've played better than me. You deserve something. I don't know what though.

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"All Things Considered" (cont.)

Press

Rus-Ger: Yes, I am having fun. Win, draw, or get creamed these games are always different and interesting.

Rome-Paris: That nasty old GM, wont even give you the break of the other leg on an "F". Some of my students wish their marks had second legs on them, too.

Rome-Moscow: Hang in Tsar Frederic. Watch out for that crafty old turban top.

Rome-Wein: Can we start to get along now? It's Thanksgiving up here in the Great White North and we just love our turkey.

(England) Surprise, Surprise

(England) Ham Radio Operator in Wales: Hello, hello....is anybody out there?

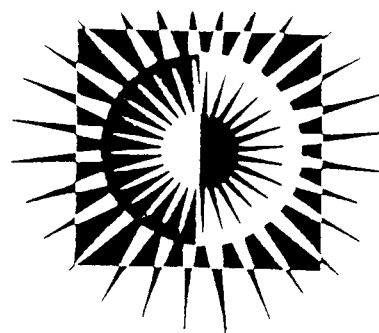
Ger-Eng: My condolences to you in your time of grief over your queen's death. I hope you will return to our fight in France, cousin.

Ger-Fra: If you want to ally with Satan you have to pay a steep price: so far you are unwilling to pay. You might start by reforming your bureaucracy!

Ger-Ita/Rus: I am helping where I can but England and France are just too unpredictable for me to ignore. I hope I have been consistent in my relations with you.

Ger-Aus/Tur: You guys are smooth!

"All Things Considered"
RW #5 -- BN: 1992V



Fall 1902

Turkey (Castille): A SER s f bul(sc)-gre, F bul(sc)-GRE,
F RUM s f arm-sev, F ARM-sev, F AEG-ion,
A SEV-mos
Russia (Hyatt): F SWE holds, A war-GAL, A UKR-mos, A BOH-vie
Italy (Young): a gre s aus a tri-ser (nso/ann), F ION s a gre,
F APU s f ion, A VEN holds
England (Mathias): F lon-ENG, F edi-NWG, F BRE s f lon-eng,
A NWY s rus f swe, F NTH s a nwy
France (Nesbitt): A por-SPA, A BUR-mun, A par-PIC, F spa(sc)-MAO
Germany (Chrones): F SKA s rus f swe-nwy (nso), A hol-BEL,
A MUN-bur, A RUH s a hol-bel, F kie-DEN
Austria (Rosenthal): NMR; F ALB, A TRI, A VIE, A BUD all hold

CENTERS

Turkey (6): Con/Ank/Smy/Sev/Rum/Bul
Russia (4): War/Stp/Mos/Swe
Italy (4): Rom/Nap/Ven/Tun
England(5): Lon/Edi/Lpl/Bre/Nwy
France (4): Mar/Par/Spa/Por
Germany(5): Kie/Ber/Mun/Den/Hol
Austria(4): Vie/Tri/Bud/Ser
Neutral : Bel/Gre



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CANADA

DUE DATE for

Winter 1902 and Spring 1903

November 25, 1992 at 12:00 noon

Notes

- 01) Dan Mathias is the player of record for England.
- 02) Would Richard Weiss (554 Liberty St.; San Francisco, CA 94114) standby for Austria?

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"Mountain Stage"

**Mountain Stage at
the Cutting Edge of
New Music**

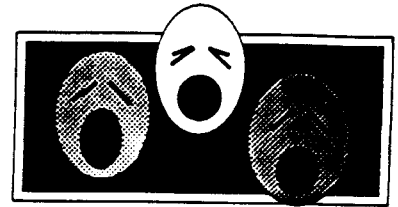
Sundays, 10 PM, KSTX

RW #3 -- MN: 1992Erb32
(No Press-Gunboat Game)

Summer 1903

Eng: A nwy-FIN
Ita: A ser-ALB

Fall 1903



- Turkey (): F AEG s f con, F CON s rus f ank-bla (nso),
A SER s a bul-rum, A bul-rum (r-gre/otb)
 - Russia (): A STP s f nwy, F SKA s f nwy, A WAR holds,
F NWY s eng a fin-swe (nso), A BUD-ser, A rum-BUL,
F BLA s a rum-bul, F ANK-con
 - Italy (): A alb-TRI, A TYL s a alb-tri, A VEN s a alb-tri,
F ROM-tyl, F NAP s f rom-tyl
 - England(): A FIN-nwy, F NTH s a fin-nwy, F NWG s a fin-nwy,
F ENG holds
 - France (): F TUN s f wme-tyl, F WME-tyl, A mar-PIE, F MAO-bre,
A GAS-bre
 - Germany(): NMR; A BEL, A KIE, A SIL, A PRU, F BAL, F SWE all hold
 - Austria(): NMR; A VIE hold, a tri holds (ann)
- If you're playing, a red checkmark will be next to the country.

CENTERS/BUILDS

- Turkey (4): Con/Smy/Gre/SER/bul = EVEN (+1 if r-otb)
- Russia (9): War/Stp/Mos/Sev/Rum/Ank/Bud/
BUL/NWY/swe = +1
- Italy (4): Rom/Nap/Ven/TRI/tun/ser = -1
- England(3): Lon/Edi/Lpl/nwy = -1
- France (6): Bre/Mar/Par/Spa/Por/TUN = +1
- Germany(7): Kie/Ber/Mun/Den/Hol/Bel/SWE = +1
- Austria(1): Vie/tri = EVEN

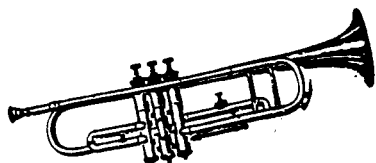
DUE DATE for

Autumn/Winter 1903 and Spring 1904

November 25, 1992 at 12:00 noon

Notes

01) Errors abounded last time due to the conversion and such, so I'm rerunning the turn; my apologies to all players. The corrections are: (a) If no orders are received from the Austrian player, the country will be placed in Civil Disorder <I shouldn't have just placed it into CD at that point>; (b) Turkey was eligible for a build if he retreats a bul-otb; (c) England has F NWG not A NWG; (d) Russia had lost SWE and gained NWY (no change in builds). Orders on hand for all countries.



"Bluestage"
RW #6 -- BN: tba

Autumn 1901

**This Month on
BluesStage**

Saturdays, 11 PM, KSTX

Aus: A rum-BUL

Winter 1901

Turkey (Nesbitt): Builds F SMY; has F SMY, A SER, A ANK, F CON

Russia (Hendricks): Has A UKR, A RUM, F BLA, F BOT

Italy (Stuart): Builds A VEN, F NAP; has A PIE, A VIE, F TUN,
A VEN, F NAP

England (Clingman): Builds F EDI; has A WAL, F ENG, F NWY, F EDI

France (Anderson): Builds F MAR; has A SPA, F BRE, A BUR, F MAR

Germany (Brush): Builds F BER, A KIE, A MUN; has F DEN, A HOL,
A WAR, F BER, A KIE, A MUN

Austria (Gonsalves): Builds A BUD; has A GAL, F GRE, A BUD, A BUL

CENTERS

Turkey (4): Con/Ank/Smy/Ser
Russia (4): Stp/Mos/Sev/Rum
Italy (5): Rom/Nap/Ven/Vie/Tun
England(4): Lon/Edi/Lpl/Nwy
France (4): Bre/Mar/Par/Spa
Germany(6): Ber/Kie/Mun/Hol/Den/War
Austria(4): Tri/Bud/Gre/Bul



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Stuart, Rick; 33 Sutton Pl.; Cincinnati, OH 45230

DUE DATE for

Spring 1902

November 25, 1992 at 12:00 noon

Notes

- 01) A Boardman Number has been requested for this game. It will be announced upon its arrival.
- 02) Two errors in the last adjudication. The first was Austria being EVEN or +1 on his builds. All players were notified by mail. Further, the Turkish army that ended up in Serbia started in Bulgaria not Belgium.

Press

(Russia) Dateline St. Petersburg: This week, a spontaneous uprising of infuriated Russian citizens sacked and torched the Austrian Embassy. After Security Officials changed from there "spontaneous mob of infuriated citizens" costumes and back into normal attire, order was restored. Out of the crowd of thousands of onlookers, a small handful was dismayed to find the building could not be saved. Several incriminating documents were discovered amidst the charred ruins, however, such as documented evidence linking Austrian officials with the Russian black market in an effort to procure several of the more shapely members of Russian herds. In further testimony to the bizarre Austrian courting rituals, a framed portrait of the Austrian Emperor was uncovered. Inscribed upon the unfortunately very real likeness of the Archduke was the following: "To Elsie, oh what fun we had" signed "Your Little Viennese Vealchop". More as the sickening details come out.

St. Petersburg-Berlin: We Cossacks don't have streets to witness such liar you speak of. Are you sure it is not Berlin you refer to?

(Italy) Dateline Rome: The Italian people are not fooled by Russian posturing nor the bleatings of its Turkish Toady. We act in our own best interests and those interests are not dictate in either St. Petersburg or Istanbul.

Fra-Eng: You will die for your duplicity--unless you recant now...

Ger-Eng: Me a liar? Well, I've never!!! Why I oughta...(tell the truth--ooh! That could be painful).

Ger-Tur: I never saw it!

Switzerland: Beware to the neighbors, east and west, of Germany. A Spring Offensive is on!

(Geneva) L.G.F.M. Radio: "...And on the request line, coming up you'll hear "When You Wish Upon a (Falling) Star" and "I Wanna be a Cowboy", going out to a certain Russian and an anonymous Archduke. But first, we've got one for the Sultan. Here's Paula Abdul with "Straight Up (Now Tell Me)".

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NOTICE

Effective November 1, 1992

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new phone number will be

(210) 658-6066

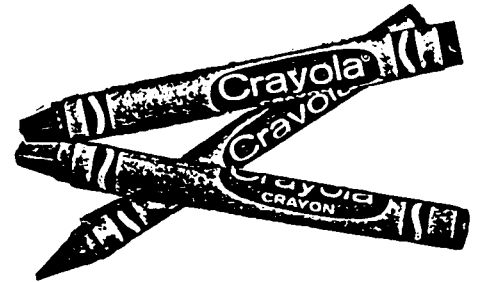
"World Brief"
(Nuclear Destruction)
RW #7 -- MN: 1992HPrn34

February 1901

Turkey (Anderson): Builds 1M ANK, 1M SMY, 1M CRE, 1M ARM; has .5M
Italy (Grose): Trade .5M to TYL; Builds 4M PIE; has 0M
England (Reynolds): Trade .5M to Aus; Build 1M LPL, 1M YOR; has .5M
France (Breakwell): Trade .5M to Eng; Build 1M BRE, 1M PAR, 1M MAR,
1M PIC; has 0M
Austria (Nelson): NBR; has 2.5M

CENTERS

Turkey (4.5): CON/ANK/SMY/cre/arm/syr
Russia (0) : ELIMINATED Jan01
Italy (4.5): ROM/NAP/VEN/pie/tus/apu
England(2.5): LPL/cly/yor/wal
France (4.5): BRE/MAR/PAR/pic/gas/bur
Germany(0) : ELIMINATED Jan01
Austria(1.5): tyl/boh/gal
Neutral : alb/bel/bul/den/gre/hol/naf/nwy
pol/por/rum/ser/spa/swe/tun



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Nelson, Mark; 21 Cecil Mount; Armley Leeds, W. Riding LS12 2AP
ENGLAND
Reynolds, Phil; USF #4286; 4202 Fowler Ave.; Tampa, FL 33620

DUE DATE for

March 1901

November 25, 1992 at 12:00 noon

Press

(Italy) Rome: As the news of death raining down over Germany and Russia reached the Italian people, they rejoiced that their wise and modest leader has spared them any suffering.

Presidente Jim is a man of honour who keeps his deals, including a recently-negotiated Mutual Defence Pact. Aggressors beware!
Eng-Aus: I don't think either of us will be around long enough to

collect another 1/2 missile on our own, so we oughtta pool our resources for one last blaze of glory! Let 'em fly, Mark!

ExRus-World: It is a shame I got criticized for not communicating, since I only received two letters (one from Germany and one from England). I wasn't the only "un-communicative SOB" out there.

ExRus-Eng: I have a standard practice of sending in some moves early; that way I never NMR. I wrote you back saying I was interested in your plan, but you never wrote again. so, I assumed (correctly) that you planned to attack me. that is when I changed my moves to attack you.

ExRus-GM: Given England's press last time, I wish you had not informed everyone I had already sent in moves. Why should they get to know that?

GM-ExRus: The listing is done as a courtesy so that players in games with long deadlines will know that their default orders have arrived; or, in the case of delayed games, that their orders had not been lost in the mail.

ExRus-All: In any event, it was a BLAST...

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 "My Music"
 (cont.)

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Press

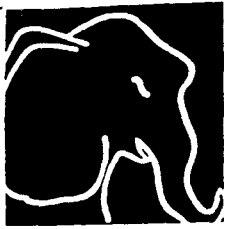
Ita-Fra/Eng: I'm very sorry. I continue to be limited in my ability to respond. As you can see by my orders, though I agreed with most but not all of your suggestions. I am firmly on board for the long haul.

Eng-Aus: You are well advised to be concerned. Our professional army is feared throughout Europe, and you will soon understand why.

Eng-Allies: It will be close my friends, but if we hang together, we can hang the Austrian usurper!

(Austria) Vienna: As Constantinople falls to Austro-Hungarian forces this spring, our Turkish campaign continues according to plan. That's the third foreign capital we've brought civilization to - when will you barbarians get the message and lay down your arms?

Emperor Jim laughs at your western "alliance". Are the rest of you aware that England has just proposed to us a joint English-Austro-Hungarian win whereby England would stab France and take Berlin, Kiel, Holland and Belgium? Some ally you have in him! We're temporarily vacating Berlin this season in order to teach the English traitors a lesson around Warsaw. Don't worry, we'll be back!



"My Music!"
Orphan from Been There, Done That
(formerly "Duke Snyder")
BN: 1989KH



Winter 1906

Ita: Disbands a naf
Ger: NDR; GM removes f hol (determined randomly)
Aus: Builds F TRI, A VEN, A BUD

Spring 1907

Italy (Schultz): A tus-ROM, F tun-ION, F NAP s f tun-ion,
a con s f ank (nsu), F ANK s a con (nsu),
F con holds (uno) (r-bla/otb)
England (Zarr): A LVN s a pru-war, F stp(nc)-BAR, A pru-WAR,
F DEN s ger f hol-kie (nsu), A edi-NWY,
F BAL s ger f kie-ber, F NTH c a edi-nwy
France (Wallace): F mar-LYO, F spa(sc)-WME, A BEL s ger a ruh,
F mao-NAF, A BUR s ger a ruh-mun (nso),
A gas-MAR
Germany (Lutterbie): F kie-BER, A RUH s fre a bur-mun (nso),
f hol-kie (nsu)
Austria (Grose): A SMY-ank, F aeg-CON, A BUL s f aeg-con,
A rum-UKR, A MOS holds, A ber-PRU,
A SIL s a ber-pru, A MUN-ber, A tyl-VEN,
A ven-APU, A bud-RUM, A vie-GAL, F tri-ALB
F ion s a ven-apu (r-tyn/adr/gre/aeg/eme/otb)

CENTERS

Turkey (0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1906
Russia (0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1905
Italy (5): Rom/Nap/Run/Con/Ank
England (7): Edi/Lpl/Lon/Nwy/Stp/Den/Swe
France (6): Par/Mar/Bre/Por/Spa/Bel
Germany (2): Kie/Hol
Austria(14): Bud/Tri/Vie/Ser/Gre/Bul/Rum/War/
Sev/Ber/Mos/Mun/Ven/Smy

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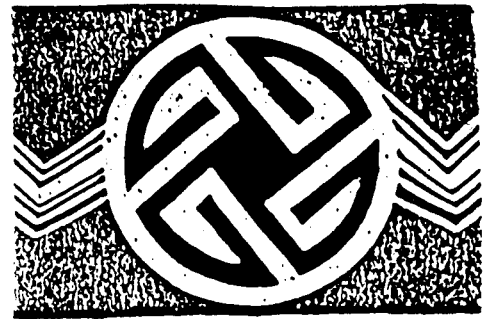
Summer and Fall 1907

November 25, 1992 at 12:00 noon

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"Crossroads"

RW #8 -- MN: 1992HRrb32



Spring 1901

Turkey (): F ANK-bla, A con-BUL, A smy-ARM
 Russia (): F SEV-bla, F stp-BOT, A WAR-gal, A mos-UKR
 Italy (): A ven-TYL, A rom-APU, F nap-ION
 England(): F lon-NTH, F lpl-YOR, F edi-NWG
 France (): F bre-PIC, A par-GAS, A mar-SPA
 Germany(): F kie-DEN, A ber-KIE, A mun-RUH
 Austria(): F tri-ALB, A VIE-gal, A bud-SER
 If you're playing, a red checkmark will be next to the country.

CENTERS

Turkey (3): Con/Ank/Smy
 Russia (4): War/Stp/Mos/Sev
 Italy (3): Rom/Nap/Ven
 England(3): Lon/Edi/Lpl
 France (3): Bre/Mar/Par
 Germany(3): Kie/Ber/Mun
 Austria(3): Vie/Tri/Bud
 Neutral : Bel/Bul/Den/Gre/Hol/Nwy/Por/Rum/Ser/Spa/Swe/Tun

DUE DATE for

Fall 1901

November 25, 1992 at 12:00 noon

Notes

- 01) The game has been delayed. One player did not receive his issue of RW. Revised orders may be submitted by any player. Orders on hand for all powers except Turkey.

Press

<<Not Repeated>>





"AfroPop Worldwide"

RW #9 -- BN: tba



Spring 1901

Turkey (Breakwell): F ANK-bla, A con-BUL, A SMY holds
 Russia (Duarte): F stp(sc)-BOT, F SEV-bla, A mos-UKR, A WAR holds
 Italy (Charlton): F nap-ION, A rom-APU, A VEN-tri
 England (Mathias): F lon-NTH, F edi-NWG, A lpl-EDI
 France (Jewart): F bre-MAO, A par-BUR, A MAR s a par-bur
 Germany (Anderson): F kie-DEN, A ber-KIE, A mun-RUH
 Austria (Grose): F TRI-ven, A vie-GAL, A bud-SER

CENTERS

Turkey (3): Con/Ank/Smy
 Russia (4): War/StP/Mos/Sev
 Italy (3): Rom/Nap/Ven
 England(3): Lon/Edi/Lpl
 France (3): Bre/Mar/Par
 Germany(3): Kie/Ber/Mun
 Austria(3): Vie/Tri/Bud
 Neutral : Bel/Bul/Den/Gre/Hol/Nwy/Por/Rum/Ser/Spa/Swe/Tun

DUE DATE for

Spring 1901

December 24, 1992 at 12:00 noon

**Latin and African
 Sounds on AfroPop
 Worldwide**

Saturdays, 10 PM, KSTX

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NOTES

01) A Boardman Number has been requested for this game. It will be announced upon its arrival.

Press

(England) Well, this game hasn't picked up a good Latin beat yet, but I hear a few African war drums in the distance.

(Austria) Vienna: Emperor Jim, having just recently assumed the throne in Austria-Hungary, welcomes this chance to display his diplomatic and military prowess.

Some historians claim the Habsburg Empire has been in decline for almost a century and no longer constitutes a major power. We intend to prove them wrong.

We begin this latest of many recent minor skirmishes by simply defending our own borders (or moving beyond them where necessary, for example into Serbia to quell nationalist fervor there before it is exported to Hungary). Time will reveal the true intentions of our neighbors.

Fra-World: "France wishes to maintain peace with all nations and just be left alone in our own little corner."

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CON LISTING

- Nov 7-8 - Rock-Con XX Game Fair, Rockton, IL. Contact Rock-Con Game Fair (14225 Hansberry; Rockton, ILL 61072)
- Nov 7-8 - LAGACON 15, Lebanon, PA. Contact Lebanon Area Gamers Association (806 Cumberland St.; Lebanon, PA 17042)
- Dec 13 - BeethovenCon, San Diego, CA. Contact Larry Peery (PO Box 620399; San Diego, CA 92162)
- Feb 5-7 - NovaCon, Novato, CA. Contact Pete Gaughan (1521 S. Novato Blvd., #46; Novato, CA 94947).
- Feb 5-7 - WarCon, College Station, TX. Contact MSCNOVA (Box J-1; Memorial Student Center, Texas A&M; College Station, TX 77844)
- Feb 12-15 - DunDraCon XVII, Albany, CA. Contact DunDraCon (1125 Neilson St.; Albany, CA 94706)
- Mar 26-28 - ConnCon, Danbury, CT. Contact ConnCon (PO Box 44; Sherman, CT 06784-0444)
- Apr 23-25 - PointCon XVI, West Point, NY. Contact USMA Wargames Committee (ATTN: PointCon XVI; PO Box 62; West Point, NY 10997)
- Jul 4th - Origins/DalCon, Fort Worth, TX. Contact myself at
Wknd present. There WILL be a Dip tournament.
- Aug, 1st - CanCon VI, Toronto, Ont. (?) Contact Cal White
Wknd (1 Turnberry Ave.; Toronto, Ontario; CANADA M6N 1P6)
- Labor Day - DipCon XXVI, San Fransisco, CA. Contact Don Del Grande
Wknd (142 Eliseo Dr; Greenbrae, CA 94904-1339) or Pete Gaughan (1521 S. Novato Blvd., #46; Novato, CA 94947).

If anyone knows of any upcoming gaming conventions, please let me know the dates, place and a contact person. I'll be happy to add them to my list.

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POLL QUESTION

November's Question: "How satisfied are you with your name?"

Phil Reynolds: I went through a stretch (around high school or a little later, I think) when I didn't like my first name. It's a family name, smacking of nobility. I had rarely met another person with the name, and some of the jokes (FillUp, FeelUp, etc.) were irritating. Since then, though, I go totally by "Phil", using my full name (Philip) only in my signature and legal documents. My name is different enough without being really stupid (e.g., Ezekial Grobnik) and I like that.

Will Nesbitt: I have always loved my name, Stuart William Nesbitt II. Although if I could change anything I would like to be a Vth or higher. On the other hand I love naming things and I like my sons' names: Stuart William Nesbitt III and Aubrey J. Nesbitt.

Jack Jewart: Here in Washington State, they have vanity license plates for their vehicle. Unfortunately, with my name being Jack, it is somewhat common so all the variants of Jack are already taken. Jack, Jacque, Jackie, Jackee, etc. I once spoke to a friend of mine who was into the vanity plates and I told him, what a great coup could be accomplished by instead of sending in \$50 or \$75 for a vanity plate, to go to the County Courthouse and for about \$800 to \$1000 to have your name changed to your current license number! That would make MY name "02465V Washington State".

John Schultz: I have the utmost respect for my father and do not have any deep resentment of my name. However, you probably know that I'm of indigenous ancestry as well as European. Thus I acquired another name many years ago which reflects that ancestry. I'm no unhappy with my Anglo name but I will probably change it. But out of respect for my father who obviously wished me to have this Anglo name I'd not do so until it could not possibly hurt his feelings in any way. Those people who know me well know that my indigenous name fits me very well. I share it with very very few people for traditional and other reasons.

Pete Gaughan: I'm perfectly happy with my name because it fits the sense of family pride I was raised with -- I'm the fourth to bear it. Genealogy and tradition have been popular with us.

Also, "Pete" is just distinctive enough -- without being terrifically unusual -- that people find it easy to remember. My surname gets mangled but at least it's not 'close' to something else (e.g. Barber vs. Barker).

But at brief times in my life, I would have changed my name to Patrick; and I've always felt slight personality changes when people call me something other than Pete -- Peter, or P.J., have distinct connotations. 'Peter' is my family's diminutive for me: my grandmother calls me that. 'P.J.' is the college intellectual that I've always fancied myself!

Richard Weiss: My birth certificate says my name is Richard Craig Weiss. My Mother wanted to call me Rickey, but reasoned that as I aged I'd want a more formal name. By the mid-elementary grades I refused to answer to "Rickey" and insisted on "Rick." After two moves, in High School, the name was uncertain. Some people called me Richard, others assumed that any Richard was a "Dick," while others called me Rick or Rich. I had no firm opinion, and had given up on my stubborn assertiveness. Finally a girl friend decided that only one's full name was appropriate, so she called me "Richard," and carried that into college. There I gained a nickname of "Rev," and later "Ma." Gradually it became the old, Richard or diminutive issue. Currently, when another Richard moved into my offices, I considered changing my name, but there was nothing wonderful. "RC" was my favorite, but the "Ron" in the office had been "RC" as a kid and thought I ought not to take that.

As a kid, I was going to change my name to Craig McGee. That lasted for quite a while. After college I wrote/tried to have things published. I decided that if I took a pseudonym, it would be "Ver Moriah Ooo."

I continue to favor a one syllable first name with a long vowel, hard consonants, no ability to be changed to something ending in "eeeeeeee," and while easily recognized as a name not something that is very common. "Mike," is such a name. I favor "Bill," for some non-understood reasons, also.

I don't have much image of "Richards." There are certain names, I would not want to have, "Christian, Maximillian, etc." I think we all enter a phase of disliking our names, of searching for ourselves and rejecting our parents and others and with it some sense of ourselves. My current opinion is that it doesn't matter much. A name is like a facade, a place for others to recognize, and for when I drive up, a place to stop.

One more bit about names. Currently, I am trying to find a sweet nothing to call my girlfriend, and she me, and we are also trying to decide what we will really call the other, and want to be called. So far, we are agreeing on "babe/baby" and our full first names. Time will provide something else, perhaps.

Me: Well, currently if I changed my name it would be to eliminate the "William" that is my first name. Having just the "W." would clear up confusion, some places absolutely insist that my first name be used. So, when I go in and give my name as "W period Andrew York" they can't find me in the listings.

I'm not unhappy with my name, and I really like using my middle name - it adds a bit of distinction I think. My parents began using it as my father is also a "William" and they didn't want to confuse the issue. No one really knows where the "Andrew" part of my name came in. I'm glad, though, that my maternal family name was saved for my brother. "William Gower York" and being known as "Gower" would have been, well, different.

I do use a pseudonym in some gaming and modeming circles. It was originally Teddy Wayne; however, it has evolved into Theodore Wayne Angevin. There are some folks who call me Teddy, as that's how they first knew me (ok, let's get the "Teddy Bear" jokes out of the way, now).

Regarding "Response to Hurricane Andrew" (October 1992)

John Schultz: You were a little hard on the victims there Andy. <<Yes, when I reread my comments, I was a tad harsh. I get fed up sometimes with the whining about how "the government isn't doing enough for me">> The vast majority had insurance policies. The problem is with the adjusters, whose job it is to either get in quick and settle for as little as possible while shock still reigns, or to linger the settlement so that impatience will result in a lesser amount. It's their job. I didn't hear anything about any hurricane parties this time and I thought the evacuation aspect of the situation worked pretty well. It may be true that not enough food and water were stored but that's not very practical. Whatever you stored wouldn't be enough and probably wouldn't be there when you returned. The private sector always does a pretty good job of moral support but they're not geared to do everything which needs to be done. A lot of their effort is waste. The army is much better at deployment. For that reason alone they should be the ones to respond at first. <<I think the Red Cross is also an excellent private sector compliment to the military>>.

Richard Weiss: There was only one misprint in my letter to you about Andrew, and that was that one could not go more than 20 "yards" before any path was blocked by trees, etc (not 20 "years"). <<Ooops - that can't be caught by the spell checker, Sorry>>. Interesting responses. Russell Wallace's question about responsibility raised numerous thoughts for me. One was that there is no justification to rebuild the air force base. One is that the government can insure safety, shelter, etc. but some of the rest is questionable. Our bailing out those without insurance, who knew that they had high likelihood of a disaster occurring, is something I have qualms about. I do not have earthquake insurance for a variety of reasons. One is that because I expect the government, or my insurance carrier through the fire clause, to come to my aid and provide some relief.

The main thought that I had about the disaster relief was why the entire nation wants to pay a few billion dollars for hurricane relief (probably because it is a form of insurance and if something happens to others and they are helped, then if it is ever "my" turn, then I shall be helped), and there is uncertainty about how long this aid should continue, or the depth of it -- meanwhile, there has been a greater disaster that has struck this country, for which the relative aid has been much less. It is no coincidence that I keep referring to government support as "aid," because I am referring to AIDS. It is a natural disaster, it is something for which no one could be prepared, it has been more devastating than any single hurricane, the effect has been much greater in some areas than others, and yet the proportional aid has been much less, and those areas effected have been left to deal with it on a local basis, rather than share the burden more nationally.

<<Next Months Poll Question after "Whad' Ya Know">>

GAME OPENINGS

Gunboat (w/Press): one opening, \$5.00 NMR fee required. If you are signed up, there will be a red check ==>

Regular Dip: Seven openings, \$5.00 NMR fee. Signed up: none

Regular, International: seven openings, \$5.00 NMR fee with two month deadlines and no split seasons.
Signed up: none

Standbys: V. Lutterbie, DePalma, Reynolds, Schultz, Koehler, Kent, Lewis, McHugh, Wallace, Grose, Young, Gonsalves, Brooks, Mathias, Clingman, Acheson, Weiss

*****Please notify the editor if you want on or off the list*****

Other game openings upon request of the readership. Contact the editor if you have a favorite game or variant.

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