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Another issue, another month. I seem to be plugging this out at a regular interval - for which I'm a tad surprised, and a extremely happy. I expected many more hurdles; however, they didn't materialize. My thanks to all the readers and players that have made this potentially difficult ride a smooth one.

A comment on the deadlines. I must have them in hand on that THURSDAY at noon (I start adjudicating that day). If orders come in late, there is no guarantee that I'll use them, especially if the game is adjudicated and page layout done.

Enclosed is the Runestone Poll ballot. If you receive other 'zines, you'll note that I've added a few subzines. None of the three regular subzines here were listed; I would hope y'all would remember Michael McCabe's Modern Diplomacy, Luiz Duarte's Brazilian Times and John Breakwell's The Green Goblin Speaks in your voting.

Speaking of subzines, Luiz's column printed this month arrived one day too late to be included in last month's issue. Thus, his reference is to March's Poll Question. Also, Michael McCabe is beginning his series on India. I hope everyone enjoys it.

Scattergories is taking off like a shot. If you haven't tried a round, take a few moments this time. It is a lot of fun!! If playing once a month isn't enough, Stven Carlberg's Hoodwink (3024 Whispering Hills Drive; Chamblee, GA 30341) runs one as well.

I've decided to close the Landbridge III game, with the gamefees added to your sub. If anyone is still interested in the variant, Lee Kendter, Jr. (376A Willowbrook; Jeffersonville, PA 19403) needs four to start one in his Get Them Dots Now! and Stephen Glasgow (32009 Pendley; Willowick, OH 44095) needs two in his War Fair.

New games offered include African Dip and Youngstown IV. The Fog of War game is now gunboat. I'm still open to other variants, or other games - just let me know your interests.

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POLL QUESTION



April's Question: Terrorism in the US

Jack McHugh (PA): I have always thought it was just a matter of time until terrorists decided to come here. Up till now I believe fear of getting caught and embarrassing their benefactor--i.e. the USSR--had inhibited most groups. With that threat no longer hanging over them and the moderate Arab oil states cutting off most funding to radical Islamic groups in the wake of the Gulf war of 90-91, I'm surprised this hasn't happened sooner.

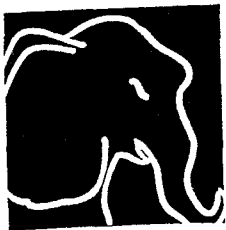
Bob Acheson (Alberta): Terrorism, for decades, the rest of the world has seen & borne the brunt of numerous terrorist acts. I believe that for years the U.S. was spared deliberately so, I think because of fear of reprisals. The past couple of U.S. Presidents were perceived internationally as two cowboys who no one really wanted to mess around with (i.e. Libyan bombing). A new regime is elected and we see the shades of Jimmy Carter. I'll be watching the American reaction with interest.

John Schultz (IN): Personally, I don't feel threatened, no. But I don't think it's unusual that someone would feel threatened. It's a reasonable response. The U.S. has been extremely lucky, thus far, to have avoided much terrorism. I think the public is in for a rude awakening and I believe we sorely underestimate the enmity felt toward us which lingers around the world. And, we sorely overestimate our 'humanism' in the eyes of others. By the way, how do you define terrorism? I find it tough. One man's terrorist is another's hero. As an example, I do not consider the man who killed the Marines in Lebanon a terrorist even though I may, as a warrior, hate him. Yet, though I may love my country, by my own definition, I have put innocents at risk to fulfill a political/military goal. I was called a soldier. In reality I was a terrorist. I feel anyone, be they government or individual, who consider innocents a legitimate target (or screen) in hostility should be termed a terrorist. The argument that this is justified as an aspect of warmaking sickens me.

Mark Brush (PA): Since I live in a small, dying town, the burn from the crosshairs is non-existent (that's what the Scots in Lockerbie thought too). Radicals are a mixed blessing. Things need to be stirred to get people to open their eyes to the world's problems. However, destruction of useful material does not justify this - let them blow up a statue of "art."

Me: I believe that the US has been very lucky, overall, in that there haven't been many major terrorist incidents within its borders. Our open borders all but invite terrorists to enter the country, and there is almost no difficulty in obtaining explosives or weapons. I do believe the strong reactions in the past (such as Libya) have been all that keeps terrorists from our shores.

<<NEXT MONTHS QUESTION AFTER CROSSROADS>>



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

Zine: Been There, Done That through Fall 1904; Rambling WAY
GM: Tom Nash through Fall 1904; W. Andrew York

NOTE: The final GM had no records prior to the Fall 1904 adjudication.

Players

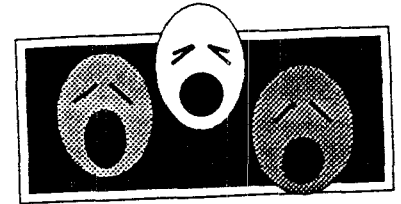
Austria: Jonas Johnson (drop Fall 1904); Jim Grose (Won)
England: Harold Zarr (Survival)
France : Michael Morris (drop Fall 1904); Russ Wallace (Survival)
Germany: Vince Lutterbie (Eliminated Fall 1908)
Italy : Michael Lowrey (resigned Fall 1904); John Schultz
(Eliminated Fall 1908)
Russia : Douglas Kent (Eliminated Fall 1905)
Turkey : Steven Sulzby (drop Fall 1904); Michael Gonsalves
(Eliminated Fall 1906)

Center Chart

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	
Austria:				09	11	14	17	18	Solo-Win
England:				07	07	07	07	09	Survival
France :				05	06	06	07	07	Survival
Germany:				03	03	02	02	00	Eliminated F1908
Italy :				05	06	05	01	00	Eliminated F1908
Russia :				03	00				Eliminated F1905
Turkey :				02	01	00			Eliminated F1906

End-Game Statements

John Schultz: My apologies to everyone. If I get any heat for my performance it won't be undeserved. I'm not an outstanding player at my best but I don't generally make stupid mistakes. I've made several in this game, all to the benefit of the victor. The first and most critical was attacking France instead of turning on Austria immediately. It wasn't because Russ didn't try to get me to do just that. He tried hard. But I've got this twisted thing about playing a position, as a standby, as my predecessor had intended. Italy had obviously been allied with Austria. I know. Twisted logic. I can't help it. I did turn, finally, when it was obvious Austria didn't intend to honor A-I. Even then it wasn't too late but I misordered a unit one season which caused loss of strategic placement. And as Austria pointed out in his last press, removing both fleets from the Turkish arena was the bumble of bumbles. But a victory is a victory and I can't take anything away from Jim. Congratulations. To the rest of you. Sorry again. I hope I get a chance to redeem my honor at some point with you guys.



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

<Summer 1909>, Fall 1909

- Turkey (): A NAP s fr a rom, A TRI s a bud-vie, A SEV s a mos, F LYO-spa(sc), F WME s f lyo-spa(sc), F ADR-ven, A MOS s a ukr-war, A bud-VIE, F tyn-TUN, F BLA holds, A UKR-war, A rum-GAL, F aeg-ION
- Russia (): no units
- Italy (): A VEN s aus a vie-tri (nso)
- England (): <F nwy-STP(NC)>; F edi-NTH, F ENG-mao, F MAO-wme, F SPA(SC) s f mao-wme, F NWG s f edi-nth, F STP(NC) holds
- France (): A ROM holds, F MAR holds
- Germany (): A LVN s a war, A WAR holds, A yor-LPL, F hol-BEL, F DEN holds, A PIC s a bre, A BRE holds, F NWY holds, F nth-LON, A SWE s f nwy
- Austria (): a vie holds (r-otb)
- If you're playing, a red checkmark will be next to the country.

CENTERS/BUILDS

- Turkey (14): Con/Ank/Smy/Gre/Bul/Rum/Ser/Nap/Tun/Sev/
Tri/Mos/Bud/VIE = +1
- Russia (0): stp = OUT
- Italy (1): Ven = even
- England (4): Edi/Spa/Por/STP/nwy/lon/lpl = -2
- France (2): Mar/Rom = even
- Germany(13): Kie/Ber/Mun/Hol/Swe/Den/Bel/War/Par/Bre/
NWY/LON/LPL = +3
- Austria (0): vie = OUT

DUE DATE for Winter 1909/Spring 1910 and Proposals: April 22, 1993
at 12:00 noon

- Old Proposal: Concession to Turkey - No 1, Yes 6
- Reproposed: Concession to Turkey (NMR/NVR=Yes)
- New Proposals: G/T Draw, G/E/T Draw (NMR=Yes; NVR=No)

PRESS

Lon-Ber: "My dear Kaiser, your invasion of British soil shows the Prime Minister that you no longer wish to be considered for the win in this game. Turkey will certainly never vote for a draw when the Sultan can easily attain a victory now. If you don't believe me just look at the board.... Turkey should hold 15 centers by Winter '09. This means the Sultan can reach 18 by never crossing your borders. You can get to 12 or 13 by Winter '09 but this only weakens my presence in the Med. and makes the Sultan's chances for victory in year 10 very probable. Do you enjoy finishing 2nd? You ask Fra/Ita/Aus how they let themselves be defeated by the Barbaric Turks.... Indeed, I ask you the same question for you will be defeated & not by me but by
<<Press continued after Mountain Stage>>

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

Sundays, 10 PM, KSTX

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

<Autumn 1905>; [Winter 1905]; Spring 1906

Turkey (): [builds F CON]; F ank-BLA, A GRE s f bul(ec),
f bul(ec) s f ank-bla (ann), A smy-ARM,
F CON s f ank-bla
Russia (): [builds A SEV]; A STP s f nwy, A WAR holds,
F nwy holds (r-nth/bar/otb), F bla-BUL(EC),
F RUM s f bla-bul(ec), A SER s f bla-bul(ec),
A TRI-vie, A MOS s a war, A sev-UKR
Italy (): <a tri-otb>; A tus-VEN, F TYN s f nap, F NAP s f tyn
England(): [removes f nwg]; A YOR-edi, F nth-ENG
France (): F TUN s ita a ven-tri (imp), F CLY-edi, F eng-LON,
A TYL s ita a alb-tri (imp), F WAL s f eng-lon,
F WME s ita a alb-gre (imp), A BUR-bel
Germany(): A BEL s a kie-ruh, A kie-RUH, A BOH s a sil-mun,
A LVN-stp, F SWE s f ska-nwy, F ska-NWY, A sil-MUN
Austria(): A VIE holds
If you're playing, a red checkmark will be next to the country.

CENTERS

Turkey (5): Con/Smy/Gre/Bul/Ank
Russia (9): War/Stp/Mos/Sev/Rum/Bud/Ser/Nwy/Tri
Italy (3): Rom/Nap/Ven
England(2): Lon/Edi
France (7): Bre/Mar/Par/Spa/Por/Tun/Lpl
Germany(7): Kie/Ber/Mun/Den/Hol/Bel/Swe
Austria(1): Vie

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<<WHAD' YA KNOW continued>>

your own inability to know when to grab dots & when to play for
defensive positioning."

(Italy) Casa Viejo, Venice: "Lucia, please pack my personal
possessions for an extended vacation."

"Yes, milord. I shall instruct the staff to prepare for
relocation again..."

"Monsignor Montessori! Italian ships are crossing the Adriatic!
We are doomed, Monsignor!"

"Be calm, my son. It is when the sky is darkest that your faith
is most needed. Go in peace."

"The situation is truly desperate, milord. The Austrians failed
to engage the Turks last season."

"Aye, Dominic, we are surrounded by fools who are blind to the end
of the world. The French cower like mice, the Austrians have
given up all hope, and the squabble between the English and the
Germans will allow the heathens to achieve domination. Lucia,
treat those paintings gently..."

America's Classic Jazz with The Jim Cullum Jazz Band

"RiverWalk: Live from the Landing"
RW #4 -- BN: 1992L

<Autumn 1906>; Fall 1906

Russia (Brooks, Joe; 300 Market St.; Navarre, OH 44662)
F ion-TUN, F aeg-ION, A pru-BER, A ber-KIE, A SIL s aus a mun,
F BAL s a ber-kie, F NWY s ger f ska-nth (nso), A SWE-den,
A FIN s f nwy, F nwg-NAO
Italy (Koehler, Stephen; 6166 Winged Elm Ct; Charlotte, NC 28212)
F lyo-SPA(SC), A tus-PIE, A spa-POR
England (Lewis, Jim; 14741 Balsam; Southgate, MI 48195)
<F nwg-EDI>; F bel-ENG, F DEN-bal, F NTH-nwy, F edi-NWG
France (Wallace, Russell; 67 Lakeview Ave.; Lynn, MA 01904)
F tyn-LYO, A par-GAS, A MAR holds (uno), A BUR s a mar
Germany (Voogd, Eric; 22620 Byron St.; Hayward, CA 94541)
A kie s fr a bur-mun (nso; r-hol/ruh/otb), F SKA-swe
Austria (Eastep, Roger; 14715 Soft Wind Dr; North Potomac MD 20878)
F NAP s a rom, A VEN s a rom, A APU s f nap, A ROM s f nap,
F WME s rus f ion-tun, A TYL s a mun, A BOH s a mun, A tri-ALB,
A MUN s rus a ber-kie

CENTERS/BUILDS

Turkey (0):	ELIMINATED FALL 1904	
Russia (12):	War/Stp/Mos/Sev/Nwy/Swe/ Rum/Con/Ank/Ber/KIE/TUN	= +2
Italy (2):	Spa/POR/ <u>rom</u> / <u>nap</u>	= -1
England (5):	Lon/Edi/Lpl/Bel/Den	= +1 (due to NBR in W05)
France (3):	Bre/Par/Mar/ <u>por</u>	= -1
Germany (1):	Hol/ <u>kie</u>	= -1 (or even if r-otb)
Austria(12):	Vie/Tri/Bud/Ser/Gre/Bul/ Smy/Ven/Mun/ROM/NAP/ <u>tun</u>	= +2 (one short in W05)

DUE DATE for Autumn/Winter 1906, Spring 1907 and Proposal:
April 22, 1993 at 12:00 noon

PROPOSAL: Concession to Austria (NVR=No, NMR=Yes)

NOTE(1): Jim Lewis is the player of record for England.

NOTE(2): Russ Wallace has a new address. It is listed above.

PRESS

Ita-Fra: "You can't take responsibility for everyone attacking you? Please! Quit whining already! You didn't play well, I didn't play well; nobody but the winners played well. The only reason you may out-survive me is your proximity to the winners. Let's all take some responsibility for the outcome of this game and stop bickering. You guys sound like a bunch of children..."
Fra-Ita: Thanks for rewarding me for being a "nice guy." I intentionally left you Spain so that you could slow down Austria. The game is lost. The game has been lost. Hope we meet again sometime. You remind me of the scorpion and the frog. One day a scorpion on the bank of a river asked a young frog for a ride

Riverwalk, Live From the Landing

on his back to the other side of the river. The young frog at first said no because he was afraid that the scorpion would sting him and kill him. The scorpion assured him that stinging the frog would only cause him to drown if he were to do so. This made sense to the "nice" young frog, so he allowed the scorpion to climb onto his back and he ferried him across the river. When they got to the other side the scorpion jumped off and stung the young frog. With his dying breath the young frog uttered "why?" The scorpion answered, "because I'm a scorpion."

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<<ALL THINGS CONSIDERED continued>>
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Ita-Ger: No, not me. I'm the nice guy who doesn't steal from his neighbors. When I go into battle it's straight up. I think we should be able to get along.

(Germany) Freud-Little Willy: Such Paranoia! Tell me about your mother.....

Eng-Fra: "Forget your press, you'll forget mine"?!? My press was intended to be humorous, and was in keeping with the music theme. Yours was personal and insulting, as well as inaccurate since I picked this position up as a stand-by player.

If anyone "blew a position" it was you, sacrificing 2 centers (1 a home center) to a powerful opponent to retake 1 home center from a weaker opponent (position ally). You allowed Germany to get where he is, not me.

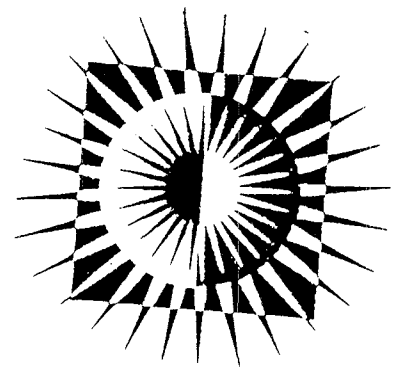
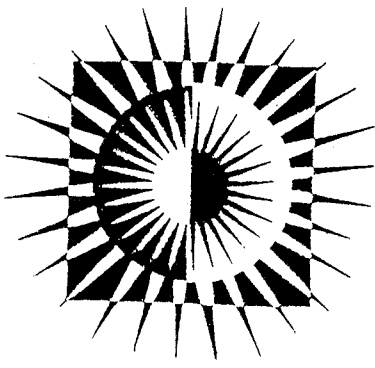
If you had written and offered peace and alliance earlier, I would have listened, but I only heard from Germany.

Ita-Gre: We certainly hope that the Hun doesn't get too HunGARY for some pasta. Why not wash down dinner with some nice Bordeaux or a Spanish red?

(Austria) Bud-DryDock: Is Turkey fleet, or is Turkey Mercury?

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HOBBY NEWS
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- 01) Doug Kent (54 West Cherry St., #211; Rahway, NJ 07065) is gearing up for the annual PDORA Auction. If you have anything you'd like to donate this year, contact Doug.
- 02) Doug also has ballots available for his annual Rusty Bolts Award which is hosted in his zine Maniac's Paradise. Send a SASE to him, or myself, for a copy of the ballot. Deadline is April 27th.
- 03) Pete Gaughan (1521 S. Novato Blvd., #46; Novato, CA 94947) is still accepting votes for the Marco Poll until May 1st.
- 04) Randy Cox (PO Box 1144; Clemson, SC 29633) has started publishing. His first issue of Cogniescienti looks great, and he's willing to run just about any game (or have a guest GM for it). He lists 40 (yes, 40) game openings and features updated information on the annual AvalonCon. He's going to run on a six-week deadline, with a number of the games on flyer. Cost is \$1.00/issue, with game fees for most games.
- 05) Steven Glasgow (32009 Pendley; Willowick, OH 44095) publishes War Fair and receives "two thumbs up" for Jack McHugh and Doug Kent in the latest issue of Your Zine of Zines. It comes out 10 times/year for a cost of only \$6.00. Definitely worth it!!



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

Spring 1904

Turkey (Castille, Michael; 3201 Tenth St.; Port Arthur, TX 77642)
F ION-apu, F BLA s f con-bul(sc), F con-BUL(SC), F EME-ion,
 F AEG s f bul(sc)-gre, F bul(sc)-GRE
 Russia (Hyatt, Fred; 60 Grandview Pl.; Montclair, NJ 07043)
 F SWE holds, A RUM s a mos-sev, A STP holds, A sil-WAR, A mos-SEV
 Italy (Young, Eric; 4784 Stepney Rd., RR#2, C2; Armstrong, BC
 VOE 1B0 CANADA)
F ALB-gre, F APU-ion, A tyl-VEN, F tyn-TUN
 England (Mathias, Dan; 509 Bayview Dr.; Lusby, MD 20657)
 F ENG s f nao-mao, F nao-MAO, A nwy-YOR, F NTH c a nwy-yor
 France (Nesbitt, Will; PO Box 1231; Front Royal, VA 22630)
 A GAS s a bur-mar, A bur-MAR, A BRE-pic, F mao-SPA(SC)
 Germany (Chrones, Jamie; 2117 Wildwood Dr., RR1; Duncan, BC
 V9L 1M3 CANADA)
F DEN-swe, A mar s a mun-bur (r-pie/otb), A RUH-bel, F hol-HEL,
A BEL-pic, A mun-BUR, A ber-KIE
 Austria (Weiss, Richard; 554 Liberty St.; San Francisco, CA 94114)
 A TRI s a vie-tyl, A BUD s a tri, A SER s a tri, A vie-TYL

CENTERS

Turkey (6): Con/Ank/Smy/Sev/Bul/Gre
 Russia (5): War/Stp/Mos/Swe/Rum
 Italy (4): Rom/Nap/Ven/Tun
 England(4): Lon/Edi/Lpl/Nwy
 France (4): Par/Spa/Por/Bre
 Germany(7): Kie/Ber/Mun/Den/Hol/Bel/Mar
 Austria(4): Vie/Tri/Bud/Ser



DUE DATE for Summer/Fall 1904: April 22, 1993 at 12:00 noon

NOTE: Russia built A MOS not A WAR last time. All players notified.

PRESS

(Austria) Bud-Mun: Looks like your backyard barbecue is getting all your neighbors to drop in. You had meant to send invites - hadn't you?
 (Austria) Bud-Lon: E=4 in W03, G=7. Is that alliance parity?
 Ita-Rus: The gobbler has been bloodied and yet you still are not in Sev. One wonders how great is the hunger of the Bear. Perhaps the emphasis is split on the Hun and Ger?
 Ita-Aus: Not only are we awake but vibrant and growing. Onward to the south!
 Ita-Fra: Looks like the Kaiser has other plans. Send him a beer and perhaps he'll stop breathing down your neck.
 <<Press continued after Riverwalk>>

MODERN DIPLOMACY (#I-One), by Michael V. McCabe (Tokyo, Japan)

Except where otherwise indicated, the views and opinions expressed herein are solely mine and are not necessarily those of the Department of State or any other U.S. Government agency.

After 15 episodes of Modern Diplomacy, which probably contained more than you ever wanted to know about Japan, World War II, and some post-war aspects of Japanese diplomacy, it's time for a change. I'll now write a bit about India. Perhaps I should change the subzine's title, because I don't plan to write too much about India's diplomacy. To keep continuity, though, I'll keep the title the same but will begin a new numbering series.

My family and I moved from London to New Delhi, India's capital, in January 1986 and transferred to Tokyo in the summer of 1989. One of the advantages of coming to India from London was that we always had a topic of conversation -- virtually every upper middle class Indian whom we met had been to London as well.

Living in India is "an adventure," rather than "a vacation." When my wife is asked if she enjoyed living in India, she uses words like interesting and fascinating. Neither one of us thinks the verb "enjoy" is exactly accurate.

On the one hand, for people interested in history and color, there's a lot to be said for spending a few years in a country like India. For example, we visited the Taj Mahal several times, several forts including in Rajasthan a sprawling castle-palace called Fateh-pour-Sikri, and Mother Teresa's hospice. After a small group meeting which Mother Teresa addressed, my wife had to choose between meeting her or taking her picture. She chose the latter, so we have several upclose pictures of this lady, surely one of God's angels on earth. We rode on elephants, saw snake charmers, monkey and bear trainers, and ox- and elephant-carts in the middle of the city. We stayed on a houseboat on a lake, and in a hotel featured in one of the James Bond movies.

India has been a major player in the "Nonaligned" movement. The country has a space program, several nuclear power plants, and before I left had leased a nuclear-powered submarine from the former Soviet Union. It has technical universities so good that graduates get into Cal Tech and MIT grad schools, and computer programmers so good that they get jobs around the world.

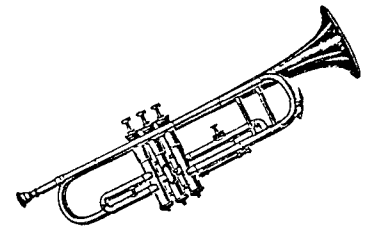
Prices for some things (e.g., clothes, picture framing, servants, food) are low in India. After we got to Tokyo (the land of very high prices) my wife thought for almost a year before paying the equivalent of about \$40.00 for an outfit made in India. That was 4-5 times more than "it should cost," she thought. While in India with our three children, we had three servants - not just one. Indian food is world-reknowned, and although we didn't care for most of what we tried, most foreigners seemed to like it.

Ah yes, India. The land of some 850 million people, of Gandhi, Far Pavillions, The Jewel in the Crown. The home of religious spectacles, monuments to ancient civilizations, and a culutre which in much of the country continues as it has for millenia. A land of history, color, adventure. There is much to be said for living in India.

**This Month on
BluesStage**

Saturdays, 11 PM, KSTX

"BluesStage"
RW #6 -- BN: 1992AG



Winter 1903

Turkey (Nesbitt, Will; PO Box 1231; Front Royal, VA 22630):
has F GRE, A RUM, A BUL, F BLA, A ARM, F AEG
Russia (Hendricks, Paul; 148 Sunny Drive; Ashland, VA 23005):
removes f lvn, f sev; has A UKR, A STP
Italy (Stuart, Rick; 33 Sutton Pl.; Cincinnati, OH 45230):
builds A VEN, F NAP; has A VIE, A BUD, F ION, A SER, F ADR,
A ALB, A VEN, F NAP
England (Koehler, Steve; 6166 Winged Elm Ct.; Charlotte, NC 28212):
has A PIC, F ENG, F NTH, F IRI, F FIN, F LON
France (Anderson, Lance; 696 Fox Ave., #100; Lewisville, TX 75067):
has F BRE, A MAR, F MAO, A PAR, A GAS
Germany (Brush, Mark; 476 Edith Ave.; Johnstown, PA 15906):
has F HOL, A BEL, A MUN, F BOT, A WAR, A BUR
Austria (Gonsalves, Michael; 530 Treasure Lake; Dubois, PA 15801):
has A MOS

CENTERS

Turkey (6): Con/Ank/Smy/Gre/Bul/Rum
Russia (2): Stp/Sev
Italy (8): Rom/Nap/Ven/Vie/Tun/Tri/Bud/Ser
England(6): Lon/Edi/Lpl/Nwy/Den/Swe
France (5): Bre/Mar/Par/Spa/Por
Germany(6): Ber/Kie/Mun/Hol/War/Bel
Austria(1): Mos



DUE DATE for Spring 1904: April 22, 1993 at 12:00 noon

NOTES

- 01) Steve Koehler is the player of record for England.
- 02) Two requests for season separation were received. All press held for next time as none was identified as solely for Winter. Orders on hand for all players except Turkey.

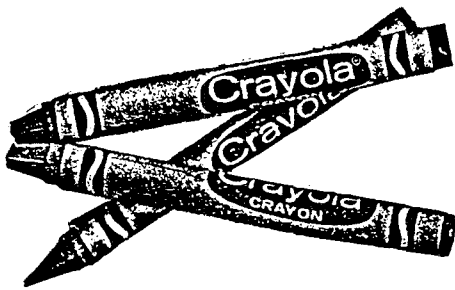
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into a corner.

The French King, while temporarily in the lead, was less than impressive in his reasoning for feeding us lies.

Hopefully Austria-Hungary's allies will see the wisdom in our proposals and follow through on them.

(England) London: A concerned Empire waits for further news on the condition of the Prime Minister. He was hospitalized last week after suffering from severe head pains during the last session of parliament, which culminated in unconsciousness. An examination also revealed a small lump growing within the base of his nostril cavity, and several lumps on his arms and legs.



"AfroPop Worldwide"
RW #9 -- BN: 1992AH

**Latin and African
Sounds on AfroPop
Worldwide**

Saturdays, 10 PM, KSTX

Winter 1901

Turkey (Breakwell, John; 62 Shackleton Way; Woodley, Reading
RG5 4UT ENGLAND)
builds F CON; has F BLA, A GRE, A SMY, F CON

Russia (Duarte, Luiz Claudio; SHIS-QI 19-Conjunto; 7-Casa 35;
71655-070; Brasilia-DR BRAZIL)
builds F STP(SC); has F BOT, F RUM, A UKR, A LVN, F STP(SC)

Italy (Charlton, David; 150 The Parade; Island Bay, Wellington;
NEW ZEALAND)
builds F NAP; has F ION, A TUN, A VEN, F NAP

England (Mathias, Dan; 509 Bayview Dr.; Lusby, MD 20657)
builds F LON; has F NTH, F NWY, A EDI, F LON

France (Jewart, Jack E.; 24508-38th Ave Ct E; Spanaway, WA 98387)
builds F MAR, F BRE, A PAR; has F POR, A BEL, A SPA, A PAR,
F MAR, F BRE

Germany (Anderson, Lance; 696 Fox Ave., #100; Lewisville, TX 75067)
builds F KIE, F BER; has F DEN, A HOL, A RUH, F KIE, F BER

Austria (Grose, Jim; 3-1313 Wellington St.; Ottawa, Ontario;
K1Y 3B1 CANADA)
builds A BUD; has F TRI, A GAL, A SER, A BUD

CENTERS

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



DUE DATE for Spring 1902: May 27, 1993 at 12:00 noon

PRESS

Fra-Sultan: Have you relieved the Army Commander HOLDING in SMY yet?

Fra-Aus: Whoa, did you ever call the Sultan wrong in this one!

Fra-Eng: Does Britannia still rule the waves? Who controls the North Sea?

Fra-Tsar: Too cold in Russia for conferences, we prefer the warmer climate of the Iberian Peninsula.

Fra-Kaiser: I see you have taken a chance with MUN in the first set of plays. I will record that as ONE in my book of chances.

Fra-Holy Pope: There will be no problems as long as there are no Spanish Inquisitions.

(Austria) Vienna: By ignoring the sound advise of a seasoned Austrian warrior and diplomat, the young Turk has painted himself

<<PRESS CONTINUED AFTER BLUESSTAGE>>

The Brazilian Times

by Lutz Cláudio S. Duarte

Last month's Poll Question, ironically, was of interest not only regarding British monarchy, but also the Brazilian one. Strange? Not a bit. Brazil is a republic since Nov. 15, 1889, when Army C-in-C, Field Marshall Deodoro da Fonseca, deposed Emperor Pedro II from the throne in an (almost) bloodless *coup*. Curiously enough, Deodoro wasn't interested in setting up a republic, but he was overruled by other members of the clique. The royal family was exiled to France until some thirty years later, when they were allowed to return. Since 1889, it has been illegal to promote the cause of the monarchy.

That is, until the promulgation of the new constitution (Oct. 1988). According to it, there will be a nationwide plebiscite, when the people will decide between parliamentary republic, presidentialist republic and parliamentary monarchy. There has been a strong tendency for parliamentarism for some years now, and the debacle of President Collor strengthened it. Among the parliamentarists, the monarchists are growing.

Except for one brief period (1961-1962), the Brazilian republic was always presidentialist. The imperial tradition, however, was parliamentarist -- although it was created against the imperial constitution, which was slightly autocratic. During the Empire (1822-1889), there were several revolts and civil wars, and one major foreign war (the Triple Alliance War, 1865-1870); however, the Empire weathered all the turmoil, showing a remarkable political stability. The Brazilian republican period is not very different of other Latin America countries: oligarchies, *coups*, *caudillos*, and general instability.

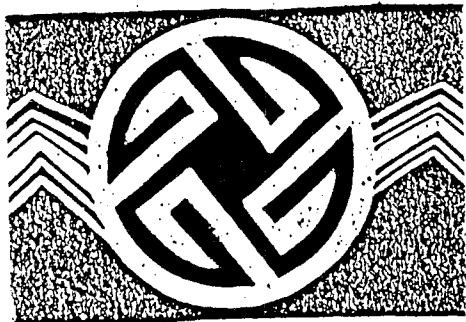
Although there isn't here the kind of public interest on the royal family that rampages in the UK, our royals are well liked; also, there are no bad feelings against monarchy. Indeed, for many years after the republic, the majority of the population was still monarchist. However, should monarchy be restored, there is no consensus on who will be the next Emperor. The trouble is, Pedro II's grandson, the heir presumptive, renounced his claim on the Brazilian throne in order to marry a plebeian woman. Now, both his descendants and those of the cadet branch claim to have the right to the throne. So, there is no monarchist party, but rather three separate movements. Undoubtedly, this division will reduce the odds for the monarchists in the coming plebiscite.

Lastly, I would like to thank all who wrote asking for *Hy-Brasil*, my new fanzine (see last issue). Unhappily, I had a crash in my hard disk that let me without my computer for some days (and that's why The Brazilian Times wasn't here last month). So, issue #1 will be delayed some time -- but I hope it will be good enough. Just you wait and see!

ABBREVIATED CONVENTION LISTING
(complete listing available for a SASE)

- Apr 23-25 - PointCon XVI, West Point, NY. Contact USMA Wargames Comm. (PointCon XVI; PO Box 62; West Point, NY 10997)
- Apr 23-25 - Call to Arms, Kansas City, MO. Contact Dave Grosdeck (10100 W 51st Street; Merriam, KS 66203)
- May 14-16 - LepreCon, Philomath, OR. Contact Joan Extrom (35096 Kings Valley Hwy; Philomath, OR 97370). HouseCon.
- May 15-16 - Madison Games-Con, Madison, WI. Contact Bill Bodden (6640 Odana Road; Madison, WI 53719)
- May 21-23 - Conwest, Albuquerque, NM. Contact Conwest '93 (c/o The Wereregamer's Guild; SAC Box 48; UNM, NM 87131)
- May 21-23 - Adventure Game Fest 93, Portland, OR. Contact Adventure Game NW (6517 NE Alberta; Portland, OR 97218)
- May 28-30 - Nashcon 93, Nashville, TN. Contact Gavin Gossett (2713 Lebanon Road; Nashville, TN 37214)
- May 28-31 - Gamex, Los Angeles, CA. Contact Strategicon (PO Box 3849; Torrance, CA 90510)
- May 28-31 - Northwest GameFest, Clackamas, OR. Contact NRMR (PO Box 6068; Salem, OR 97304).
- May 28-31 - GamesCaucus II, Walnut Creek, CA. Contact Trigaming Assoc. (POB 4867; Walnut Creek, CA 94595)
- May 29-31 - DixieCon, Chapel Hill, NC. Contact David Hood (2905 20th St., NE; Hickory, NC 28601)
- Jun 18-20 - Atlanticon, Baltimore, MD. Contact: Atlanticon (PO Box 91; Beltsville, MD 20704-0091)
- Jun 18-20 - Wyvercon 93, Vernon, WA. Contact SVGA (POB 2325; Mt. Vernon, WA 98273)
- Jun 18-20 - Glathricon 93, Evansville, IN. Contact Evansville Gaming Guild (POB 15414; Evansville, IN 47716)
- Jun 18-20 - Hexacon III, Scottsdale, AZ. Contact Gregg Fischer (POB 62612; Phoenix, AZ 85082)
- Jun 18-22 - PoolCon, Marshall, MO. Contact Vince Lutterbie (1021 Stonehaven; Marshall, MO 65340-2839). HouseCon.
- Jun 25-27 - EastCon, Radnor, PA. Contact Flying Buffalo, Inc. (PO Box 1467; Scottsdale, AZ 85252)
- Jul 1-4 - Origins/DalCon, Fort Worth, TX. Contact GEMCO (Box 609; Randallstown, MD 21133)
- Jul 15-19 - Flying Buffalo's Convention, Scottsdale, AZ. Contact Flying Buffalo, Inc (PO Box 1467; Scottsdale, AZ 85252)
- Jul 16-18 - DragonCon '93, Atlanta, GA. Contact John Froehlich (140 Village Lane; Fairburn, GA 30213)
- Aug 5-8 - AvalonCon '93, Huntington Valley, MD. Contact TAHGC (4517 Harford Rd.; Baltimore, MD 21214)
- Aug 6-8 - CanCon VI, Toronto, Ontario. Contact Cal White (1 Turnberry Ave.; Toronto, Ontario; CANADA M6N 1P6)
- Aug 19-22 - Gen Con 1993, Milwaukee, WI. Contact (1993 GENCON Game Fair; PO Box 756; Lake Geneva, WI 53247)
- Sept 3-6 - PacifiCon/DipCon XXVI, San Francisco, CA. Contact Don Del Grande (142 Eliseo Dr; Greenbrae, CA 94904-1339) or Pete Gaughan (1521 S. Novato, #46; Novato, CA 94947)
- Sept 3-6 - Vertigo Games, Paoli, PA. Contact: Brad Wilson (PO Box 126, Wayne, PA 19087) HouseCon

Texas Public Radio



"Crossroads"
RW #8 -- MN: 1992HRrb32

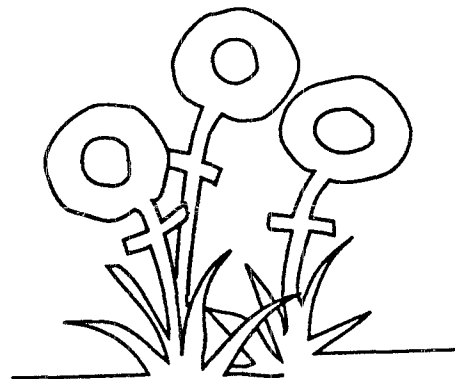
[Winter 1902]; Spring 1903

Turkey (): F BLA s a bul-rum, A bul-rum (r-con/otb), A arm-ANK,
F smy-AEG
Russia (): F SEV holds (uno), F SWE holds (uno), A WAR s a ukr,
A UKR s f sev, A MOS s f sev
Italy (): A pie-MAR, A rom-VEN, F TYN-tun, F LYO s a pie-mar
England(): NMR; A WAL, F IRI, F LON hold, F ska holds (r-nwy/otb)
France (): F wme-TUN, F eng-MAO, A mar-pie (r-gas/bur/otb),
A NAF s f wme-tun, F mao-SPA(SC)
Germany(): [builds F KIE]; F NTH s f den-SKA, F den-SKA,
A BEL holds, A mun-KIE, A tyl-MUN, F kie-DEN
Austria(): [builds F TRI]; A BUD s rus a ukr-rum (nso),
F GRE s a rum-bul, A rum-BUL, A alb-TRI,
A SER s a rum-bul, F tri-ADR

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

CENTERS

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



DUE DATE for Summer/Fall 1903: April 22, 1993 at 12:00 noon

NOTE: A standby has been called for England.

PRESS

Fra-Ger: Please, the admiration is making me blush in naivete!
One thing I must declare: You ruined everything with your
Venetian lust!
(France) Accursed Frog-Breathless Dog: HEEL! Your offense taken
from chiding has done more harm than I have given.
Fra-They who in-"curr" lasting enmity: This year shall make or
break at least one of us. May the best dog win.
(Geneva) Swiss Public Radio: "The news of hour is the French
retreat in the face of English resistance. Corporal La' Trine
described the horror: "Imagine our shock! The 'bewhiskered
women' waiting ashore were men in drag-disguise!"
In other news, the Parisian Cucumber Growers Association has
reported huge profits for the third straight year."
Rus-Aus: What should I do? What should I do?
Rus-Ger: I'm an honorable man.
Rus-Tur: Yankee go home.

Rus-Eng: I think you are in trouble.
 Rus-Ita: I think you are in trouble.
 Rus-Fra: I tip my hat to you sir, for a successful 2 front war.
 I'm impressed.
 Rus-Ger: Bold neighbor, I hope you are watching and listening.
 Seems to be laying claim to the low countries. How far can you
 trust that person?
 Tur-Eng: Your press releases noted. Oh dear, I can't stop
 laughing.
 Tur-Rus: As you are not in Bul and my A Arm has moved, we need
 each other to counter the expansion policies of the Austrians.
 Note it was a triple attack on Rum! Can you now believe anything
 the Austrians may say.
 Tur-Ger: Anything you can do against the Austrians would be
 appreciated. Vienna is very nice in the Spring - and Autumn for
 that matter.
 Aus-Rus: This should work like clockwork; not as much fun,
 especially for the Turk, but profitable for us. You come from
 the north and east and I'll come from S & W.
 Aus-Ger: Thanks for your reasons but let's talk about reasons to
 leave Austrian territory.
 Aus-Eng: Where is 007 when you need him?
 Aus-Ita: A mixer! and you didn't invite me? Let me help up north
 if you wish but let's not go too far... this is our first date
 and dating me can get expensive... and there is that nice German
 fellow.
 Ita-Fra: We have visited Tunis. We have found it to be arid,
 smelly, and lacking in sophistication. In short, a perfect
 environment for the Yammering Yee-Haw from Frogland.
 Ita-Eng: Take heart Anglican brother. YYH will have his troubles
 in the south and the situation is ripe for a thrust into northern
 France. Remember, "never, never, never, never quit." (Unless
 your surname happens to be Perot).
 Ita-Aus: Do not let your crusade to Byzantium distract you from
 the growing crisis on your northern frontier. Those Prussian
 land units will be directed somewhere, and it does not appear the
 YYH will be the eventual target. That leaves you or the Tsar.
 Which direction do the Hun armies appear to be pointed? Should
 you build an army in Venice or Trieste, we shall support your
 efforts to remove the Hun from Tyrolia.
 Ita-Rus: We applaud the reappearance of our Orthodox brethren in
 Sweden and hope this indicates a lessening of your conflict with
 our Anglican brother. Note, however, that as a consequence of
 the Anglican-Orthodox strife, the Prussian fist has only grown
 stronger. The real threat is cloaked in black and it is toward
 this threat that our efforts should be directed.

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POLL QUESTION (cont.)

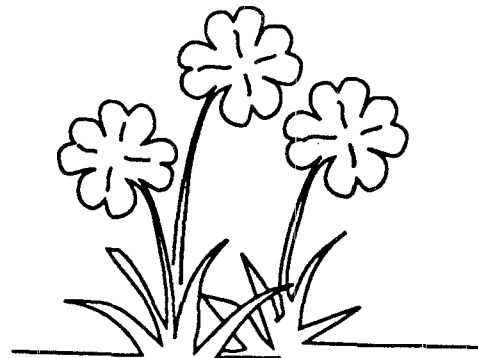
Question for May: The US is the sole superpower left in the world.
 What responsibilities towards the rest of the Earth does that
 entail - or should we be a sleeping giant?

**Cultural Spirit and
Identity on Horizons**

Saturdays, 3:30 PM, KSTX

"Horizons"

RW #10 -- MN: 1992J1rb32



Winter 1901

Turkey (): builds A ANK; has F BLA, A CON, A BUL, F ANK
Russia (): builds F STP(NC), F SEV; has F SWE, F RUM, A FIN,
A UKR, F STP(NC), F SEV
Italy (): builds F VEN; has F TUN, A TYL, A BOH, F VEN
England(): builds F EDI; has F NTH, F NWG, A NWY, F EDI
France (): builds F BRE, A PAR; has F SPA(SC), A BEL, A POR,
A PAR, F BRE
Germany(): builds A KIE, A BER, A MUN; has F HOL, A DEN, A BEL,
A KIE, A BER, A MUN
Austria(): builds A BUD, A TRI; has F GRE, A VIE, A SER, A BUD,
A TRI

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**Bilingual Education
Focus Of Horizons**

DUE DATE for Spring 1902: April 22, 1993 at 12:00 noon

PRESS

Fra-Aus: Yes!

Fra-Ita: Done.

Aus-Fra: Looking forward to meeting with you Re: Europe, etc.

Lets see where our border nation builds. Perhaps our venture can begin in Spring. How soon can you launch your offensive?

Aus-Ita: It seems that my cable sets are always behind one turn.

This one may be also, in any case, I would request you do not place a new unit in Venice (if nothing else, a fleet). In return, I will assist you into Greece. Believe me (OK, so that's against the rules here, but....) I would rather avoid conflict with you and move to other areas. If this finds you with a newly raised army in Venice, well, we'll see again in the Spring.

Aus-Eng: Congrats on making Norway Blue, it was almost a very near thing, what say? I am attempting to secure better relations with France and until things with Germany go awry I am culturally bound to my cousin. That doesn't seem to leave us many opportunities, but I am willing to discuss further options with you in the Baltic, if that is your wish. Or perhaps, the Kaiser would like to meet with us in the "cold" Norwegian Sea??

**Quincentenary
Spawns Hispanic
Horizons**

Aus-Rus: Did I vacate the neutral zone too soon? I (accidentally) overheard your suggestion to the Roman about visiting our vineyards in Trieste, presumable without an escort. Now is that any way to run a war?

Aus-Tur: I need to decide whither next. I'm glad to see you return to the game, but what are your future plans? I really wish to avoid disagreements in the near seasons over the Balkans. Serbia is of vital Austrian national interest, but I am willing to deal with you on Greece in return for concessions in the northern Balkans. What is your feeling about vacations in the northern Black Sea area? Please respond as soon as possible.

Aus-Ger: Excellent, my northern "brother", I will observe your builds and move with you against our joint enemies. By the way, someone is being naughty in the alley between our empires, does this bother you? I look forward to working with you in crushing Dem Pooper der Schkooopers!!

Ita-Aus: See? I am not hostile. The central European chill is too much for my hot, Italian blood. Warm & sunny Greece is much more to my liking.

Ita-Fra: I'd love to see Mun in the fall....

Ita-Tur: Head North, Young heathen! Leave Greece to me and I won't venture farther East.

Ita-Rus: Nick, I think that Heathen is about to head north. Better beat him to the punch....

Ita-Eng: Hi, again.

Ita-Ger: Congrats on your good fortune!

Eng-Rus: I hasten to remind you that your attempt for NOR did not go unnoticed. I'm quite sure that I can handle the north but we'll see.

Eng-Fra: Actually, it is the 'silent' German at +3 that has me concerned but let's agree to DMZ the English Channel anyway unless you want to visit BEL...

Eng-Ita: While I'd prefer to see A Par & A Mars, you might want to see A Mar yourself if your northern neighbor gets unfriendly. Guess you'll know soon.

Eng-A/H: I thought you were doing great before your retreat from GAL - so reconsider your strategy and meet me in MOS.

Ger-Ita: Belgium? What Belgium?

Ger-Eng: Friends 4-ever.

Ger-Ita: Hope you're not prejudiced against blacks.

Ger-Rus: Warsaw is too far away. I can't stand the cold north.

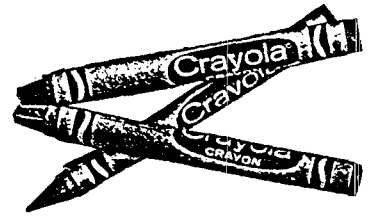
Tus-Ita: Looks like we're in this together against a rather blatant A/R.

Tur-Rus/Aus: You guys write enough press to start your own newspaper and leave open Gal. You must think Italy and I are novices.

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New Addresses
(Update Your List)

Moon, Alan R.; 2 Milton St.; Beverly, MA 01915
Schultz, John; POB 41-19390 F - W43; Michigan City, IN 46360
Wallace, Russell; 67 Lakeview Ave.; Lynn, MA 01904

SCATTERGORIES



A couple of notes to clear up some confusion in the rules (they've been updated below). You can only use a particular answer or word once per round and you may only give one response in each category. Thanks to Kirk Irby and Cal White for category suggestions.

Responses this time were received from: Doug Kent, Will Richardson, Steve Koehler, Robert Stimmell, Jack Jewart, Kirk Irby, Cal White, Dave Hood, Steve Glasgow, John Schultz, Dave Charlton, Eric Voogd, Richard Weiss, Stven Carlberg, Curt Milbourn

AND THE WINNER IS: Stven Carlberg with 14 unmatched answers

The Runners Up were: Jack Jewart and Cal White with 11 each.

Duplicate responses are marked with an asterix, disallowed entries are underlined. Those with question marks have comments below.

Legal Documents: *Constitution, Certificate of Birth, Covenant Not to Compete, *Codicil, Citation, Complaint, Charter, Contract, Contractor's Lien, Habeas Corpus?

Music Groups: Cock Robin, Chicago, *Cream, Cugat's Orchestra, (Xavier), City Slickers, Cheap Trick, Cowsills, Cars, Clanceys, Cullum's Jazz Band, Credence Clearwater Revival, Coral Reefer Band, Crosby Stills & Nash,, Crickets

Naval Ship Names: *Chesapeake, *Coral Sea, *Constitution, Cincinnati, Coxswain?, Connecticut, Corvette?, Charles W. Morgan (whaler), North Carolina?, Carondelet

Journalism Terms: *Cut, *Copyright, Cover Story, Comic Page, Cursive, *Copy, City Desk, Column Inch, Confirmation, Cite, Correspondent

Auto Parts: Crank Shaft, Camshaft, *Caliper, Choke, *Catalytic Converter, Cassette Tape Player, Crankcase, Coil, Carburetor, Chassis, Cooling System, Cigarette Lighter, Crank

Constellations: *Cancer/Crab, Southern Cross?, Corvus the Crow, Corona Borealis, *Capricorn, *Cassiopea, Cygnus

Card Games: *Crazy 8's, *Canasta, *Chemin de Fer, Cheater's Poker, *Cribbage, Comet

National Organizations: *CIA, Church of Latter Day Saints, CIO, Canada Arts Council, Citizens for a Sound Economy, Citizens Against Taxes, Comancheros, Consumer Credit Counselors, Comics Code Authority, Red Cross?

Current cities with over 50,000 population: Chicago, *Charlotte, Charlottesville (NC), *Chattanooga, Caracas, Coventry, Calgary, *Cleveland, Cuzco, Chernobyl, Cannes, Colorado Springs

TV Actors: Count Doom?, John Cleese, Charles Boyer, Christopher Lloyd, Bob Crane, Charles Durning, Chuck Connors, *Chevy Chase, Carol Burnett?, Tim Conway, Ian Carmichael, *Jamie Lee Curtis?

Fictional Leaders: Count Dracula, Cable (X-Force), *Conan/Conan the Barbarian, Calypso, Charlie Chan, John Carter, Captain Nemo, Captain Kirk?, Robinson Caruso, Sgt. Carter, Cosmic Boy, 'Beaver' Cleaver, Charlie (Charlie's Angels)

Movies about WWII: Carrier, *Casablanca, Captain America, Chase of the Graf Spee, Combat, Cairo, Caine Mutiny, Cross of Iron, Cabaret, Catch-22

Fruits or Vegetables: Carrot, Cucumber, Chives, *Cauliflower, Cole, Concord Grapes, Cabbage, Chard, *Cumquat, Cherimoya, Chickpeas, Cherry Tomato, Cantaloupe

Tourist Traps: City Line Cruise (Manhattan), Cherokee (NC), Cancun, Cuba, Carson City, *Coney Island, Cooperstown, CN Tower (Toronto), Carlsbad Caverns, Grand Canyon?, Callaway Gardens (GA), Comedy Clubs, Ausable Chasms?, Curio Shops

States/Provinces: *California, *Chihuahua, North Carolina?, Confederacy?, Cornwall, Connecticut, Cutch (India), Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Canton

Comments: Corvette - A ship class, not name
Coxwain - Works on a ship, couldn't find a ship named it
Count Doom - A TV character, not an actor.
Southern Cross/North Carolina/Grand Canyon/Habeas Corpus
Red Cross/Ausable Chasms - Do not begin with 'C'
Jamie Lee Curtis/Carol Burnett - Actresses not Actors
Captain Kirk - Unlike Captain Nemo or Count Dracula,
James T. Kirk is as well, or better known without
the use of the title.
Confederacy - A country, rather than a state/province

Regarding last issue's answers:

Julliard is a type of college and I was wrong to disallow it. It made no difference in the scoring.

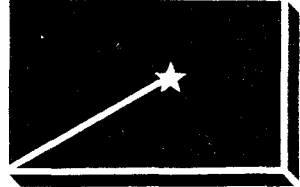
RULES: Each issue, fifteen categories will be listed along with a letter. Without research, you must pick something that matches the category and that starts with the indicated letter. For persons, either the first or last name is eligible. Your goal is to pick a unique answer for each category - whomever has the most unmatched answers will receive the next issue of Rambling WAY free. A particular answer or word can be used only once per round. If the answer is obscure, please give me a reference for it, otherwise I'll use materials I have handy to verify it. Rulings by the GM are final on whether an answer is acceptable or not. Suggestions for future categories are welcome.

DEADLINE for the next round: April 22, 1993 at 12:00 noon

The Letter is "W":

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|--|---------------------|
| 01) Manufacturing Companies | 10) Parlor Games |
| 02) Drug Names (Brand or Street) | 11) Dead Scientists |
| 03) Extinct Animals | 12) Occupations |
| 04) Battles involving US soldiers | 13) Police Terms |
| 05) Things found in a Bedroom | 14) Rivers |
| 06) Child Actors/Actresses (under 17) | 15) Plants |
| 07) Words Associated with the Sun | |
| 08) How/Where you "Get Away From it All" | |
| 09) 10-letter words (no plurals using 's') | |

StarDate



"Look, Up In The Sky..."

"StarDate"
RW #11 -- BN: 1993G

Fall 1901

Turkey (Smith, David; 5038 Boca Raton; Garland, TX 75043)
 F con-AEG, A BUL-gre, A ank-CON
 Russia (Stuart, Rick; 33 Sutton Pl.; Cincinnati, OH 45230)
 F fin-SWE, F RUM holds, A ukr-GAL, A war-PRU
 Italy (Richardson, Will; 4000 Dauphin, Box 903; Mobile, AL 36608)
 F ION s tur a bul-gre, A tus-VEN, A ven-TRI
 England (Ritcey, Jerry; 9 Windemere Ct.; Truro, Nova Scotia
 B2N 5Y1 CANADA)
 F NTH c a edi-bel, F nwg-NWY, A edi-BEL
 France (Thomas, Christian; Summit 3; UPJ; Johnstown, PA 15907)
 F mao-POR, A bur-MUN, A spa-GAS
 Germany (Phelps, Andreas J.; 4544 Cadison St.; Torrance, CA 90503)
 F HOL s eng a edi-bel, A kie-DEN, A BOH-vie
 Austria (Ouellette, Ed; 2730 S. Chautauqua, #310; Norman, OK 73072)
 F ALB-gre, A VIE holds, A SER s f alb-gre

CENTERS/BUILDS

Turkey (4):	Con/Ank/Smy/BUL	= +1
Russia (6):	War/StP/Mos/Sev/SWE/RUM	= +2
Italy (4):	Rom/Nap/Ven/TRI	= +1
England(5):	Lon/Edi/Lpl/BEL/NWY	= +2
France (5):	Bre/Mar/Par/POR/MUN	= +2
Germany(4):	Kie/Ber/HOL/DEN/ <u>mun</u>	= +1
Austria(3):	Vie/Bud/SER/ <u>tri</u>	= even
Neutral :	Gre/Spa/Tun	



Sandy Wood, host of Star Date

DUE DATE for Winter 1901: April 22, 1993 at 12:00 noon

NOTE: Will Richardson has a new address. It is listed above.

Press

Eng-Ger: Are they drinking sherry in Belgium? It doesn't react well to bouncing you know. The beer in Denmark is certified bounce-free.

Ita-Fra: Pope Merle has expressed no interest in moving back to France - too rank. Besides, I thought the Avignon Papacy was done away with HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO!!! (or a long time ago, nonetheless...)

(Turkey) Constantinople: Reduction of the Sultan's harem, part of last month's budget-cutting measures, has brought on severe bouts of depression by his majesty, the Sublime Porte. In an attempt to infuse life once more into the harem and the Sultan, several hundred female volunteers from Greece are being recruited. The newly constructed mosques in Bulgaria are filling with Serbian refugees, escaping from alleged Austrian atrocities. A formal explanation of Austrian involvement in such heinous acts has been demanded from Vienna.

(France) WOPR (French Radio): This is Annita Pierie reporting from the Russian camp on the Austrian front. With me is the esteemed Marshal Iwanta Kilemov. So Marshal Kilemov, how do you feel about the Spring offensive you made into Austria. Vell, even though our offensive vas held by the Austrians, ve believe that in ze fall ve vill be able to capture Galicia. Are the Austrians fighting better then the Russian high command has planned?

Vell...yez dey are. Dey are fighting our forces valiantly, even though dey are taking heavy losses. In fact, if you listen closely you can hear those brave Austrians. (From a distance)...We're doomed, we're doomed man, we're doomed, game over man, game over. We're shredded wheat man, we're toast, we're Mr. Stay Puff and they're the Ghost Busters, we're doomed, game over man, G-A-M-E over.

One last question Marshal Kilemov; why are you invading Austria? Vell, its like dis. Ve Russians believe that behind every Austrian, there is a Russian trying to get out. Need we have any other reason?

Well, on behalf of our listeners, thank you Marshal Kilemov. France-World: Top ten reasons why France would invade Munich as researched by our home offices in Cucaracha Spain;

10. Beer
9. Chaplin/Hitler mustaches out, French Go-tees in
8. Munich is a beautiful vacation spot for the family
7. To bring French culture into an otherwise primitive, barbaric society
6. What German babe can resist a Frenchman in uniform?
5. We hear it's a happenin' town
4. German babes shave their pits
3. beer
2. I always wanted to be called an "antagonist"
1. We need a reason to go to Disney Land

Aus-Rus: Twinkle Twinkle little Czar, wonder wonder where you are... Remember, "Nemo Me Impune Lacessit".

Aus-Tur: Does the Orient Express ride again?

(Russia) Riga (Rutters Press): December 1901. In an unexpected turn of events this afternoon, the German light cruiser Emden attacked a Russian passenger liner in the Gulf of Bothnia today. responding to the liner's urgent distress call, the Russian heavy cruiser Marshall Kutuzov ordered the German to withdraw. In response the German fired on the Kutuzov who promptly dispatched the enemy warship. There were no survivors.

(Russia) St. Peter & Paul Fortress, St. Petersburg: Following the unsuccessful attempt on the life of the Czar by the German ambassador, all of Mother Russia is mobilizing for war. While the German government in Berlin is silent over what many feel to be an act of dementia on the part of an over-worked and underpaid official, many equally believe that the act has deeper implications. With no apologies forthcoming Grand Duke Nicholas left for an undisclosed mobilization zone last night. "The light are going out all over Europe", the Duke is quoted as saying upon his departure. "In their place shall rise the funeral pyres of a hundred thousand souls."

The 1993 Runestone Poll

ZINE POLL

You may rate any amateur postal or e-mail zine that you've read enough of to rate fairly. This means you've seen (or would have seen if not for delays) *at least* two issues since July 1, 1992. Only North American zines are eligible, but anyone may vote. Rate each zine from 0 (the worst) to 10 (the best)—no fractions, please. Do not rate your own zine. Blanks are for zines I forgot to list. Do not vote for me or my publications.

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GM POLL

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Send this ballot to **Eric Brosius, 41 Hayward St., Milford, MA 01757.** Your ballot must arrive by June 30, 1993. Please vote early if you can.

Indicate one way in which you take part in the North American postal or e-mail gaming hobby (sub to zine XXX, play in game 1993YY, etc.) _____

Signature _____ (If I can't tell who you are or your ballot isn't signed, it may not be counted!)

Print your name neatly _____

Check here if you do not want your name on the list of voters.

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Guess the Zine Poll winner—the prize is a travel Diplomacy board with magnetic pieces. To be eligible you must vote in the Poll and correctly guess the winning zine; I will pick the contest winner at random from the set of eligible entrants. The names of the winner and any other eligible entrants will be published in the Poll publication.

To enter, _____
 print your address _____
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The zine you think will win:

RW GAME OPENINGS

<<p-gamefee paid/np-gamefee not paid>>

Gunboat (w/Press): seven openings, \$5.00 gamefee. Signed up, a red check==>
Regular Dip: Three openings, \$5.00 gamefee. Signed up: Herbst(p),
Hendricks(p), Koehler(np), Martin(np)
Regular Dip, International: six openings, \$5.00 gamefee with two month
deadlines and no split seasons (except W01). Signed up: Grose(p)
African Dip: six openings, \$5.00 gamefee. Signed up: Hyatt(np)
Nuclear Destruction: six openings, NO gamefee. Signed up: McHugh

FLYER GAME OPENINGS

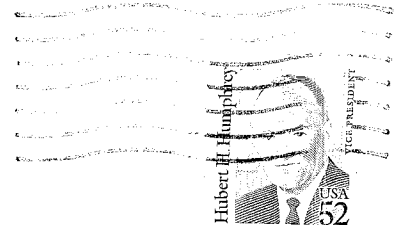
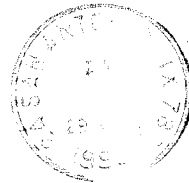
Acquire: four openings, \$5.00 gamefee. Signed up: none
Don Diplomacy: seven openings, \$8.00 gamefee. Signed up: none
(Adults only, off-color overtones. Almost anything goes for press).
Fog of War (Gunboat): six openings, \$8.00 gamefee. Signed up: Hyatt(np)
Origins of WWII: five openings, \$8.00 gamefee. Signed up: none
This is an old A/H game - not a variant.
Youngstown IV: nine openings, \$8.00 gamefee. Signed up: Hyatt(np)
(I will take preference lists for this game)

- Game fees include a \$2.00 donation to Texas Public Radio.
 - To obtain rules for Variants offered send a SASE to the editor.
 - Other game openings considered upon request of the readership.
- Contact the editor if you have a favorite game or variant.

Standbys: Lutterbie, Schultz, Koehler, Kent, Lewis, McHugh, Wallace, Grose,
Young, Gonsalves, Brooks, Mathias, Acheson, Weiss, Marcinonis, McQuinn
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