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This is STABBACK, a monthly journal of Diplomacy. This fine Journal of Play by mail Diplomacy is once again back on schedule. After going through some rough times in the last month and a half it has come back to you. Burn out fever is over. Subscriptions to STABBACK are 10/\$5.00 and Game fees are \$5.00 + subscription. STABBACK is edited and published by: Howard R. Christie, PO BOX 115, Millville, PA 17846
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FOR YOUR LONG WAIT TWO FREE ISSUES TO ALL
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1984CO, 1984CT, 1984CZ, 1984HN, 1985W, 1985AO, and STABBACK #8 games going

Deadline for all games is: October 20, 1985

WHAT HAS BEEN GOING ON IN BIG HOW'S LIFE. Plenty!!!!!! I asked once again for forgiveness from each and every one of you. Things have been rough around here and with the the things going on in my life. So I hope I am back on a regular schedule again. I won't put you asleep with excuses, because I can't really give you any, so let us again enjoy playing STABBACK.

1984C0

WAR ENDS

FALL 1907

ENGLAND (Phil Cooper): Home, nwy, swe, stp, den, hol, bel,
bre, par, mar, spn, por, tun, nap,
rom (17) Won by conces
sion.

GERMANY (Andy Clough): Home, ~~vis~~, ~~hol~~ (3) Lost

ITALY (Jamie Young): ven, ~~rom~~, ~~tri~~, ~~vis~~ (1) Lost

Russia (Robert Smith): ~~rom~~ (0) Out

TURKEY (Steven McKinnon): home, gre, bul, ser, rum, sev,
mos, war, tri, bud, vie (13) Lost

The finish of the first regular game of Diplomacy has happened. This game began on 9 July, 1984 and ended on 12 August, 1985. The concession to England passed with 5 YES and 0 NO. I would like to thank the players for the enjoyable game. To Phil Cooper goes one free game entry and a award that is given to all players that win a game in STABBACK. All end game staments are due from players by the next deadline.

| | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|--|
| A: | 5 | 6 | 6 | 2 | 2 | - | - | James Early, out F06 |
| E: | 4 | 6 | 7 | 10 | 10 | 15* | 17@ | Phil Cooper, Win by Concession F07 |
| F: | 4 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | Jay Brumbaugh, out F04 |
| G: | 5 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 3 | Andy Clough, sur F07 |
| I: | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 1 | Jim Ridenour, drop F01, Jamie Young, sur F07 |
| R: | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | Will Wehr, res F01, Robert Smith, out F07 |
| T: | 5 | 6 | 6 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 13 | Steven McKinnon, sur F07 |

* = 2 builds, no room, @ = 1 build, no room.

GM: Howard R. Christie
S01-F07

STABBACK's RATING SYSTEM

For 1984C0 the following points were awarded to the players.

Phil Cooper = 5 and 1 game
Steven McKinnon = 3 and 1 game
Andy Clough = 3 and 1 game
James Early = 1 and 1 game
Jay Brumbaugh = 1 and 1 game
James Young = 1 and 0 game
Robert Smith = 1 and 0 game
Jim Ridenour = 0 and 1 game
Will Wehr = 0 and 1 game

These new points and games will be added to the players total.

ENGLAND (Andy Clough): Home, stp (4)

FRANCE (Steven McKinnon): spn, por (2)

GERMANY (Hugh Christie): Home, swe, den, nwy, hol, bel, par, bre (10)

ITALY (Phil Cooper): Home, mar (4)

RUSSIA (Willis Beaver): war, mos, sev, vie, tri, bud, rum, ser,
con, ank, smy (11)

TURKEY (Bob Smith): bul, gre, tun (3)

The finish of the second regular game of Diplomacy has happened. This game was started on 2 August, 1984 and ended on 12 August, 1985. The concession to the Russian/German draw passed with 6 Yes and 0 No. I would like to thank the players for this exciting game in STABBACK. The award that is given to players that win a game in STABBACK will be awarded to Willis Beaver and Hugh Christie. All end game staments are due from players next issue.

| | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--|
| A: | 5 | 6 | 4 | 3 | - | - | Doug King, out F05 |
| E: | 5 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 4 | Chris Bruck, drop F04, Andy Clough, sur W06 |
| F: | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | Jim Ridenour, drop F01, Steven McKinnon, sur W06 |
| G: | 5 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 10 | Fred Hyatt, res F02, Hugh Christie, Win W06 |
| I: | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | Greg Doyle, drop F04, Phil Cooper, sur W06 |
| R: | 5 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 11 | Willis Beaver, Win W06 |
| T: | 4 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 3 | Peter Saterfien, drop F04, James Young, sur W06 |

GM: Howard R. Christie
S01-W06, STABBACK

STABBACK's RATING SYSTEM

For 1984CZ the following points were awarded to the players.

Willis Beaver = 4 and 1 game
 Hugh Christie = 4 and 1 game
 Andy Clough = 3 and 1 game
 Phil Cooper = 1 and 0 game
 Steven McKinnon = 1 and 0 game
 Robert Smith = 1 and 0 game
 Doug King = 1 and 1 game
 Chris Bruck = 0 and 1 game
 Jim Ridenour = 0 and 1 game
 Fred Hyatt = 0 and 1 game
 Greg Doyle = 0 and 1 game
 Peter Saterfien = 0 and 1 game

1984CT

SEPERATION OF SEASONS REQUESTED

WINTER 1905

AUSTRIA (Andy Clough): NMR!!! RT a bud-otb, has a vie
ENGLAND (James Early): Even, has f nwy, f nwg, f eng, f mid, a pic
FRANCE (Robert Smith): Removed a bur, has a gas, f gol, f spn(sc)
GERMANY (Phil Cooper): RT a unk-otb, RT f nwy-otb, Built f kie, has
a bel, a mun, a ruh, a hol, f bal, f kie, f stp(nc), f hel
ITALY (Hugh Christie): Built f rom, has a mar, a pie, f rom, f wes, f tyh
RUSSIA (Paul Schembari): Even, has a mos
TURKEY (James Young): Built a con, a ank, f smy has, a ser, a rum, a unk
a bud, f tri, f alb, f sev

I have orders on file for the following countries; E, F, I, T, R.
I will not call a stand by for Austria. Austria is now in Civil Disorder.
No press this time unless stated in the orders that it be printed in a
seperation of seasons. Spring 1906 orders are due no later then ~~20 OCTOBER~~.

20 OCTOBER.

1984HN

SEPERATION OF SEASONS REQUESTED

WINTER 1904

AUSTRIA (Mike Perry): NMR!!! Even, has a sil, a gal, a bul, a bud, f aeg
ENGLAND (Hugh Christie): Built a edi, lon, f lpl, has f kie, a den, f swe,
f swe, f nth, a bre, f eng, f por, f spn(sc)
ITALY (Phil Cooper): Even has, a mun, a tyo, f wes, f tyh, f tun
RUSSIA (Jay Brumbaugh): Built a sev, has a ser, a war, a ber, a unk, f bal
f bla
FRANCE (Paul Schembari): Removed a bur, RT fwes-otb, RT f spn(sc)-GOL has
f gol, f naf, a mar
TURKEY (James Young): Even, has a ank, f con, f smy

I have orders on file for the following countries; E, R, F, T, .
I am calling Willis Beaver as the stand by for Austria. His address is
E.D. #1, Spring lake Village, Watsontown, Pa 17777. No press this time
around. Spring 1905 orders are due by ~~20 OCTOBER~~, 1985.

20 OCTOBER

1985W

TWO RUSSIA ARMIES INVADE GERMANY

SPRING 1902

AUSTRIA (David McCrumb): a VIE s aa bud; a BUD s aa vie; a SER-bul;
f GRE s aa ser-bud

ENGLAND (Bob Smith): f LON-eng; f nth-BEL; f BAR s ea nwy-stp; a NWY-stp

FRANCE (Phil Cooper): f BRE-eng; a par-PIC; a por-SPN; f spn(sc)-MID;
a bur*mun, RT-otb, mar, gas, par;

GERMANY (Steven Decker): a kie-HOL; a ruh-BUR; a MUN s ga ruh-bur;
f-DEN-swe

ITALY (Doug King): f nap-ION; f TUN s if nap-ION; a VEN-tri; a TRI-bud;
a TYO s ia tri-vie(nso)

RUSSIA (Doug Christie); a gal-SIL; a war-PRU; f RUM-bla; STP(nc)-nwy;(f)
a FIN s rf stp(nc)-nwy; f SWE s rf stp(nc)-nwy

TURKEY (Bart Levy): f ANK-bla; f smy-AEG; a BUL-hold; a CON s ta bul

WINTER 1901

AUSTRIA - EVEN; ENGLAND - Built f lon; FRANCE - Built f bre, a par

ITALY - Built a ven, f nap; Germany - Built a kie; RUSSIA-Built a war, f STPnc

TURKEY - Built f smy

Underline moves fail and capital letters show unit positions.
Fall 1902 orders are due by 20 October, 1985.

PRESS:

RUSSIA=WORLD: Sorry, about the non-existent letters, I haven't been
around home much lately!

RUSSIA=AUSTRIA: UVa, all the way!
UVa, Hoos' the way!

VATICAN=VIENNA: Is there a good military school in Vienna?

Pope Violence-Czar Nuke: What in god's name is a UVA?

VATICAN-GM: I don't suppose I'm good enough to be mentioned in the press, am I?

GM: Doug King, Hi!

GM: Sorry about the delay in the Game.

FALL 1901

NMR's HURT TWO COUNTRIES

1985AO

AUSTRIA (Steven McKinnon): a tyo-MUN; a SER s af alb-gre; f alb-GRE

ENGLAND (James Young): a edn-DEN; f NTH c ea edn-den: f nwg-NWY

FRANCE (Jeff Zarse): a mar-SPN; a bur-BEL; f mid-POR

GERMANY (Mike Perry): NMR!!!, has f hol, a ruh, a kie

ITALY (Tony Rivera): NMR!!!, has f ion, a apu, a ven

RUSSIA (Andreas Kuhbier): f gob-SWE; a STP s ef nwg-nwy; f RUM s ta bul(nso);
a GAL s aa ser-bud(nso)

TURKEY (Phil Cooper): a BUL-rum; a smy-ARM; f con-BLA

Underline moves fail and capital letters show unit positions.
Would Stephen Wilcox (5300 W. Gulf Bank #103, Houston TX, 77088)
plaese take over the Germany position. Would Willis Beaver (R. D. #1,
Spring Lake Village, Watsontown, PA 17777) Please take over the Italian
position. Spring 1902 orders are due by 20 October, 1985. The supply
center chart is below:

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| A home, ser, gre | (5) Build 2 |
| E home, den, nwy | (5) Build 2 |
| F home, por, spn, bel | (6) Build 3 |
| G kie, ber, nyh , hol | (3) Even |
| I home | (3) Even |
| R home, rum, swe | (6) Build 2 |
| T home, bul | (4) Build 1 |

PRESS:

MOS-LON: Don't threaten me!!

MOS-CON: Hand IN there.

JEFF-MIKE: This isn't gunboat! Would you please write.

PARIS-lon, ber: Can I have BEL, please.

FRANCE-LONDON: Always look on the bright side of life.

FRANCE-World: SMILE!!!!

Jeff-Tony: So where are you headed?

GM-Jeff: No where it seems.

STABBACK #8

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Welcome one and all to the start of STABBACK #8. A long time in coming but I hope it was sure worth the wait. Spring 1901 orders are due by 20 October, 1985. Good Luck!! By the way all game fees are paid and also the subscription.

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STANDBY LIST

If your name appears below you are a member of STABBACK's standby list. If you want on or off, just drop me a line. If a player plays out a stanby position. That player will recieve three free issues to STABBACK. Names do not appear in any special order.

BRUMBAUGH, COOPER, YOUNG, CHRISTIE, MCKINNON, MCCRUMB, WILCOX, BEAVER AND Zarse.

POLITICAL SCIENCE AND CATTLE RAISING

Stolen from Jeff Richmond

SOCIALISM: You have two cows and give one to your lazy neighbor.
COMMUNISM: You have two cows. The goverment takes both and gives you one quarter of the milk.
FASCISM: You have two cows. The goverment takes both and sells you the milk.
NAZISM: You have two cows. The goverment takes both and shoots you.
BUREACRACY: You have two cows. The goverment takes both, shoots one, milks the other one and throws the milk away.
CAPITALISM: You have two cows. The goverment takes one and gives it to a weathly rancher.

STABBACK's RATING SYSTEM

- 5 Points for a win.
- 4 Points for a draw.
- 3 Points for a survival.
- 1 point for an elimination.
- 0 points for drop or resign.
- 1 Point for stand-by and no game or points for the position.

Divide points by number of games,
gives your score.

The top five are:

Phil Cooper = 6.00
Hugh Christie = 4.00
Willis Beaver = 4.00
Steven McKinnon = 4.00
Andy Clough = 3.00

Thundering Herd

Doug King = 1.00
James Early = 1.00
James Young = 0.00 (1)
Robert Smith = 0.00 (2)
Chris Bruck = 0.00
Jim Ridenour = 0.00
Fred Hyatt = 0.00
Greg Doyle = 0.00
Peter Saterfien = 0.00
Will Wehr = 0.00

Country Survival Chart

| | Win | 2- way | 3-way | 4-way | 5-way | 6-way | Elimination | Sur |
|---------|----------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|-----|
| Austria | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| England | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| France | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Germany | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Italy | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Russia | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Turkey | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| TOTALS | 2 Games played | | | | | | | |

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See Change of Address

I, Patrick Conlon, hereby verify the following regarding the 1985 Runestone Poll:

1. Bruce Linsey was not informed which ballots were whose from among those sent to me. Rather, I transcribed these ballots onto unsigned forms, numbered them randomly for ease in tabulation, and sent them to Bruce.
2. I have contacted enough of the Runestone Poll voters directly to satisfy myself that all votes were accurately recorded.
3. I have performed the mathematics (as described on page 4 of The Cream Shall Rise!) for a number of publications and GMs, including The Voice of Doom, and have satisfied myself that the results were calculated correctly. Further, I am willing to verify the results for any given publication or GM upon request.
4. Bruce Linsey gave me free and unlimited rein to do all the verification necessary, at his expense. This included his making available the addresses or phone numbers of any voters I chose to contact, a detailed explanation of the procedures used in scoring, and absolute freedom to check with him regarding any and all questionable situations. All of the ballots received by Bruce were xeroxed and forwarded to me.

(signed) Patrick J. Conlon
(date) 3 September, 1985

Publication appreciated

Politique

Published by Robert J. Smith

Issue # 3

July 20, 1985

"At this moment our troops are marching into Hanover, Saxony, and the Electorate of Hesse-Cassel. It will be a serious struggle. If we are beaten, I shall not return. I can die only once, and it befits the vanquished to die."

Otto Von Bismark

This is Politique, a subzine dedicated to the play of Diplomacy and other games. This issue is not with Stab-Back for a number of reasons. The first of which is Howard's own problems with being absent from the "real" world. This caused a communication problem which basically caused this being separate. The good part of this is that I will be able to report on Christiecon #1.

Christiecon #1

We all met at Hugh Christie's house on the 13th of this month for many games of Diplomacy. The first game which I missed turned out to be a six-way draw with the following notables among the drawers- Hugh, Howard, and Doug Christie, and Phil Cooper. Rumor was that Doug had Howard by the balls but let him go. The second game was a Gunboat game. This is one of Hugh's favorites. This turned out to be a three-way draw between Howard, Willis and Mike (not playing in Stab-Back) In this game; however, Phil Cooper played an excellent Germany and was left out of the draw on his own request. The third game was face to face and is where I entered the scene. I was playing Germany, Phil Austria, Howard Italy, Willis Turkey, and Hugh Russia. England and France were two people I had never played with before, Andreas Kubbier as England and Mike ????? as France. The alliances in this game were fun because nobody was sure who they were with except for me and Howard and Andreas and Mike- Hugh and Phil thought they were together but the whole game Hugh was looking for a time to keep Phil from winning (or so he told me) I did a little fancy talking to both England and France got three builds the first turn and at the end of 1902 I had an army in London and by 1903 England was gone I also at the same time had armies surrounding Paris in Piccardy and Burgandy. Elsewhere on the board Howard was moving well against France but was exposed to Austria. Word got around that Phil was going to stab him and almost everybody in the game warned Howard but he let Phil talk him out of guarding against it (Good job Phil) and Phil took him out.

This game ended in a draw between me and Hugh because he stabbed Phil and what was left of turkey at the same time (Willis had to leave earlier on so Getgen was playing the position) and Phil declined to take part in the draw. The second game wasn't as much fun because a FEG alliance set up, and a rati had to be set up to stop it, a stalemate formed, Everybody stabbed everybody and in the end it was russia-turkey against England-France or me and Howard against Phil and Hugh--four-way draw. End time 4:00 AM- ZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZ.

YOUNGSTOWN

Because of a general lack of interest I am not going to run a new game. Sorry but too many people are needed and nobody new signed up this time so say Goodbye. POOF it's GONE!!!!

1980 Pcv

*Didn't want to violate
Their Space!!*

I have heard from none of the original players in this game as of today. I should hear from some of them this time around but probably not all of them so any of you who signed up for the game that I just cancelled can transfer to this one. the remaining countries and # of units are as follows: England(16) France(6), India (19), Italy(18), and Russia(13). Hope to here from you soon.

BLIND-DEADMAN

This game is so close to full it's sickening so to fill it up Whoever can tell me who said this gets into the game for free:

"I have observed in myself that my will has decided even before my thinking is over."

Let's get those answers in before I die waiting for this game to fill.

New Games

There has been an interest expressed in playing Machiavelli Please if you are interested let me know soon. The other new game which I will definitely be starting requires a lot of effort on my part and is limitless as far as # of player is concerned. Galactic Conquest---Stellar Conquest on a galactic scale.

This game could also be limitless on a time scale though I doubt it. However because of this there is no game fee but rather a turn fee which at this moment is 10¢/turn. If you are interested but don't know how to play Stellar conquest write me and send me one lonely dollar and I'll give you a copy of my shortened version of the rules and a copy of the changes necessary to play it on a Galactic scale. I will need a few of you to play the Pirates in the game if you are interested please indicate that when you write. My new address as of now:

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