

StabBack

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This is STABBACK, a monthly journal of Diplomacy and other Diplomacy variants. These variants are 1939 III and Final Conflict III. 1939 III is a five player game of World War II. Final Conflict III is being run by James Early in his subzine Malaguena. Final Conflict III is a seven player world wide nuclear game. Subscriptions are 10/\$4.00. Game Fee is \$5.00 + subscription for all games. STABBACK is edited and published by: Howard R. Christie, P.O. Box 115, Millville, PA 17846. Phone Number: (717) 458-5790

The truest wisdom is a resolute determination.

This is the ninth issue of STABBACK. At this time we have four regular Diplomacy games going at this time. The purpose of this zine is for the playing of postal Diplomacy. I am running four regular games of Diplomacy, one 1939 III. At this time it looks like I will be opening one regular Diplomacy game in the next two to three months. Game turns will run every 21 days, rain, snow or shine. I have been getting alot of that white stuff lately. If you or a friend need a copy of the house-rules, just send a S.A.S.E.. The next issue of STABBACK will be published January 31. All orders will be due no later then 9.00 PM, January 29.

I hope everyone had a happy and cheerful holiday. I can see that they must have. Alot of players took advantage of orders being postmarked on the 28th. This is the reason for the short delay. Just today I got orders postmarked the 28th from CA. Well one other word, I hope this doesn't happen too often but there was three NMR's this time around, let's not see that anymore.

STANDBIES:

If your name appears below you are on STABBACK's standby list. If you want on or off, just let me know. Any player that plays out a SB Postion will receive three free issues. EARLY, TURNER, SMITH, MCKINNON, YOUNG, BRUCK, COOPER, SCHEMBARI, HUBSHER, CHRISTIE, BRUMBAUGH, CLOUGH.

AUSTRIA (James Early): RT f nap OTB, Built A VIE; a GRE-tun; (imp) a VIE s aa tyl; a TYL s aa tri; a TRI s aa tyl; a GAI s aa war; a WAR s aa gal

ENGLAND (Phil Cooper): Built F LON; a bre-GAS; f nwg-NWY; f lon-ENG; f eng-MID; f mid-WES; f wes-GOL; f STP(sc) s gf bot-liv

FRANCE (Jay Brumbaugh): REMOVED a gas, EVEN; a bur-RUH

GERMANY (Andy Clough): RT a war-PRU, EVEN; a par-BUR; a BEL s ga par-bur; a MUN s ga sil; a SIL s gs pru-war; a PRU-war; f bot-LIV

ITALY (James Young): Built F VEN; f ven-ADR; f NAP-tyh; a pie-MAR; a tus-PIE; a rom-VEN

RUSSIA (Bob Smith): REMOVED a mos, EVEN; f liv-BAL: RT f stp(sc) -LIV

TURKEY (Steven McKinnon): EVEN; f ION-tyh; f AEG-ion; a BUL-gre; f BLA -holds; a sev-MOS; a UNK s ta sev-mos

Underline moves fail and capital letters show unit positions.
Fall 1904 orders will be due by 9.00 PM on Tuesday, January 29.

PRESS:

TURKEY-ALL: I hope you had a pleasant holiday season.

BERLIN-CONSTANTINOPLE: Just say when!!

GERMANY-WORLD: Merry Christmas, everybody!

BERLIN-MOSCOW: Want an alliance? I'll support you into Warsaw!

RUSSIAN FLEET-WORLD: I hope you didn't think I would just roll over and die, did you?

VIENNA-BERLIN: Hopefully, he meant your head.

VIENNA-LONDON: Get set.

VIENNA-ROME: Thank-you, sir, may I have another?

VIENNA-BERLIN: Go ahead! Make my day!

VIENNA-CONSTANTINOPLE: What we have here is a failure to communicate.

VIENNA-BERLIN: Let me remind you! You provoked my attack on you with your stupid puns!

VIENNA-BERLIN: You, sir, are a scumsucking pig!

1984CT

RUSSIA CZAR ABSENT FROM WAR FRONT

SPRING 1903

AUSTRIA (Andy Clough): a gal-WAR; a RUM-ser; a BUD s aa rum-ser;
f alb-TRI

ENGLAND (James Early): f NWY-swe, f nwg-BAR; f iri-ENG; f MID-bre;
a BEL s ga bur-pic

FRANCE (Robert Smith): f spn(sc)-POR; f gol-SPN(sc); a pic-BRE;
a PAR s fa pic-bre; a MAR-bur

GERMANY (Phil Cooper): f DEN-swe; a SIL s aa gal-war; a bur-PIC;
a ruh-BUR; a MUN s ga ruh-bur

ITALY (Kevin Turner): a PIE-hold; a TUN- hold; f tyh-GOL; f NAP-ien

RUSSIA (Jay Hubsher): NMR!!!! has a unk, a sev, f gob, a war*

TURKEY (James Young): a con-ALB; f ION c ta con-alb; f AEG c ta
con-alb; a SER s ta con-alb; a BUL s ta ser

The Russian Army WAR is taken off the board since the country is in an NMR status. This is what the rules state to do under this situation. Underline moves fail and capital letters show unit positions. Fall 1903 orders will be due by 9.00 PM on Tuesday. Jan. 29.

PRESS:

ENGLAND-GERMANY: Why haven't you written or called? Are you having problems in your new home? Anyway I got Sweden right?

ENGLAND-AUSTRIA: Are you, ANDY? If so, welcome to the game, you boob!!!

AUSTRIA-ENGLAND: We meet again!!

PARIS-WORLD: DEATH TO ALL THAT OPPOSE ME!!!!!!!!!!

MORE 1984CO PRESS:

VIENNA-BERLIN: Sorry I took so long. This move took alot of thought!

WHITE(Germany)	BLACK(Austria)
10. O-O-O	N-N3

ROME-VIENNA: You are a fool. Soon Turkey will eat you for lunch.

ROME-LONDON: I sure hope you can help me soon, or there won't be anything to help.

AUSTRA (Doug King): NMR!!! has a vie, a tri, a alb, a ser .

ENGLAND (Chris Bruck): a HOL-bel; a lon-WAL; f NTH s ea hol-bel;
f nwy-NWG; f stp(nc)-NWY; f nwg-NAT; f HEL-hol

FRANCE (Steven McKinnon): a spn-POR; a BUR-bel; a PIC s fa bur-bel;
f bre-ENG

GERMANY (Hugh Christie): a den-SWE; f swe-BAL; a kie-RUH; a ber-
KIE; a MUN s ga ber-kie

ITALY (Greg Doyle): NMR!!! has aven, a mar, f gol, f mid

RUSSIA (Willis Beaver): a unk-GAL; a RUM s ra unk-gal; f SEV s ra rum

TURKEY (Pete Satirstein): a GRE-holds; a con-BUL; f AEG S ta gre;
f ion-NAP

Underline moves fail and capital letters show unit positions.
Winter 1903 and Spring 1904 orders will be due by 9.00PM on Tuesday,
January 29, 1984. The supply center chart is shown below:

A - home, ser, stp , stp	(4) Even
E - home, stp, bel, hol, nwy	(7) Even
F - bre, par, stp , spn, por	(1) Even
G - Home, den, swe	(5) Even
I - rom, ven, stp , mar, tun	(4) Even
R - war, mos, sev, rum	(4) Build 1
T - home, bul, gre, nap	(6) Build 2

PRESS:

GERMANY-WORLD: To those I've communicated with, thanks for the
welcome; to those I haven't contacted..... my moves
speak for themselves.

LON-BER: A reprieve has been granted.

ENGLAND-WORLD: Considering my position I would think someone would
at least try and talk to me.

LON-CON: Hello, Yankee.

CAL-TEX: I guess you were right?

VAL-GM: Can you tell me how many times our troops were used in the
Civil War?

GM-CAL: The state of CA was a union state during the Civil War.
For the battle of New Mexico many of the Union troops
that were used came from CA and CO. They fought a whole
bunch of Texans. The Texans beat there butts but the low
down Yankee troops from CA destroyed there supply wagons,
forcing the FFBS to RETREAT. Many CA, former 49'S went backto f

AUSTRIA (Micheal Perry): a tri-ALB; a ser-BUL; a bud-SER; a vie-BOH; f gre-AEG

ENGLAND (Hugh Christie): f LON-eng; a nwy-SWE; f nth-BEL; f NWG-nth

FRANCE (Paul Schembari): f BRE-eng; --f mar-GOL; f por-MID; a spn-MAR; a bur-PIC

GERMANY (Chris Downs): f kie-HEL; f DEN-nth; a HOL-hold; a ruh-KIE; a MUN-tyl

ITALY (Phil Cooper): a TUN-holds; a TYL s aa vie-boh; f nap-TYH; f ION s af gre-aeg

RUSSIA (Jay Brumbaugh): a war-SIL; f gob-BAL; a sev-UNK; a MOS s rf rum-sev; f rum-SEV

TURKEY (Chris Downs): f CON-BUL; f BLA s ta bul-rum; a bul-RUM; a ARM-sev

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Fall 1902 orders will be due by 9.00 PM on Tuesday, January 29.

PRESS:

FROM A SCHOOLBOY-ITALY: If you are as good a player as you write me, then you could see that a build f mar has other possible motives. Open your eyes as I reveal one of them.

ENGLAND-GERMANY: German fleet power is an insult to our image.

ENGLAND-WORLD: Sink the Bismark, otherwise it might grow up to be a big bad battleship in W.W.II.

PICTURE CONTEST

I forgot to inform you last issue of the winner of the picture contest. That unlucky person was Paul Schembari. Not one single reader guessed the correct answer. I have decided to drop the contest because of reader apathy. I will be accepting any new ideas.

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FRENCH FLEET SAILS TOWARD THE ATLANTIC
ITALIANS INFEST BALKANS, GERMANS ON
THE WATCH, RUSSIANS SEEK WARM WATER
PORT, ENGLISH PROTECT OIL FIELDS
FINN LOSE WINTER WAR, GERMAN FLEETS
ON MANUEVER, ENGLISH ATTEMPT INVASION

SPRING 1940

ENGLAND (Chris Bruck): a LIB-HOLD; f EGY-met; f lpl-IRI; f nth-
BEL; f ENG S ea bel-pic; bel-PIC Built; f egypt, f lpl

FRANCE (James Early): f por-MID; f BRE s ff por-mid; f mar-SPN(sc)
a PAR s fa pic; a pic-hold; a spn-MOR; a mor-NAF
Built; f bre, f mar, a par

GERMANY (Hugh Christie): f pru-BAL; a pol-HUN; a cze-AUS; a MUN s
ga cze-AUS; f nwy-JUT; a kie-RUH; a HOL s ga kie-ruh
Built f pru, a mun, a kie

ITALY (James Young): a yug-GRE; a ven-YUG; a tun-CAF; f gre-AEG;
f nap-ION; f rom-TYH: Built f rom, f nap,

RUSSIA (Phil Cooper): a ura-ARC; f bas-GOB; f sev-CAU; f bla-bul;
a PER-met; a RUM s f bla-bul; Built a ura, f sev

Underline moves fail and capital letters show unit positions.
Fall 1940 moves will be due by 9:00 PM on Tuesday, January 29.

PRESS:

PARIS-ITALY: O.K. O.K.!! You're not meat!

PARIS-LONDON: You're still meat!!!!

PARIS-MILLVILLE: Interesting game. No communication whatsoever.
Perhaps this game should be renamed "1939 IV"
or Gunboat 1939.

STANDBIES FOR GAMES:

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1984cz AUSTRIA = James Early 3705 Uruguay Dr., Pasadena, TX 77504

1984cz ITALY = Kevin Turner, 1204 29th st, rd #101, Creeley, CO 80631

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

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MALAGUENA

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MALAGUENA is a subzine devoted to the playing of Final Conflict III and the discussion of virtually everything, especially FC and Diplomacy. MALAGUENA is edited and published by James Early, 3705 Uruguay Dr., Pasadena, TX 77504. Phone Number: (713) 941-6364.

Greetings! First of all, I would like to wish everyone a very merry Christmas, a great New Year, and an altogether awesome holiday season! Now, on to the games! But first, the introductory pre-game statements...

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SPRING 2101

AUSTRALIA (Doug King): "Hello, this is Prime Minister King. I would like to wish those participating good luck. Allow me to speak of myself. I weigh 325 pounds, and I am 7'2". I do not pay attention while driving. But most of all, I'm from Texas (said with accent). I believe in "no bullshit diplomacy" (well, maybe just a little). Most of all, I'm from Texas (but I'm not a kicker). And I stand in such a manner that if anyone makes a Rush quote I will retaliate with Adam Ant and then commence squishing them. But most of all, I'm from Texas.

BRAZIL (Dan Young): "Hi, I'm Dan R. Young. Since I've already sent the players my stock introduction (or if I haven't, I soon will):

And now for something totally different-- a multiple-choice test!

1. Dan Young likes to correspond because:
 - a) he has nothing better to do with all these stamps.
 - b) he feels that the world would benefit by more people meeting a wholly remarkable person like himself.
 - c) it makes him feel good.
 - d) his mailbox was feeling lonely.
 - e) he has no friends in Culver City.
 - f) as a good Californian, he feels he must protect their crops by infesting the fruitfly in other areas of the U.S..
2. Dan Young is subbing to Staback because:
 - a) many people got him curious about some unspeakably ugly picture that "adorned" Staback #6.
 - b) he wanted to see the zine published by "Christina Howard (or something like that) that dared to get his name wrong. "Dan Williams" indeed!

- c) James Early bribed him.
 - d) Howard Christie bribed him.
 - e) the Feds were beginning to trace the funds he'd had laundered through Mexico and he needed to get rid of the money.
3. Dan Young is playing in Final Conflict because:
- a) he can't pass up a freebie (ok, so it costs a buck).
 - b) he's too cheap to waste the money he spent subbing to Stabback.
 - c) he loves to nuke things.
 - d) as a favor to James Early in hopes that James would stab Turkey in 1984HG.
4. Believe it or not, Dan Young once:
- a) rode a bicycle on the freeway.
 - b) was hit in the head by a Kleenex box thrown by a teacher
 - c) Scored 14 out of 200 on a Chemistry test.
 - d) was considered to have writing ability and a sense of humor.

Answers can be held and read by sending \$5 to
5225 Dawgs Ave, Culver City, Ca, 90230.

CHINA (Steven McKinnon): No Statement Received. See his statement in the Candy-o next issue.

PAN ARAB LEAGUE (Cox): Greetings, earthlings. I am 16 and totally crazy. This is my first postal game, and also my first game of FC. If I stab you and you ask why, my answer will probably be, "Why Not?" or "Because you were there!". I used to live in Pasadena, and James is probably my best friend in the whole world. However, he is a very impartial GM, and I'm sure he won't favor me any over the rest of you bums. Good luck (You will need it.)

U.S.S.R. (Petersen): This is the dumbest thing I've ever heard of. Pre-game statements in a regular old game. James, maybe you didn't catch it, but the DW game was a Demo Game. Oh, well, I wouldn't want good ol' James makin' anything up about me, now would I? I would like to take this opportunity to clear the air about a few things. The Minnesota Affair, that fiasco that left Ronnie one state short, was certainly none of my doing. I am a straight ticket all the way. Take note that the final count had Mondale winning by only \$000+ votes-- or less than one vote per district. "Nuff said" (I hate that expression). I will not NMR (sort of like Doug King-- must be tough), I never have, and find it difficult to understand why it is so common. Hopefully, this game won't be marred by an overabundance of NMR's, except, of course, my enemies, who can NMR any time they want. Come to think of it, I really don't mind if anybody NMR's-- go ahead."

SOUTH AFRICA (Phil Cooper): I'm 36, and I am just returning to the hobby after a long recess. I've played a lot of Postal Dip, but this is my first game of FC. I'm in four other games in this zine., making me the most active player

in Stabback. I have lived in New York all my life, and I am a true red blooded Yankee. It would not be a good idea to hold this against me, or to stab me, because I'm 6'4" and I weigh 250. I also love flying to people's houses and beating them over the head with a baseball bat. And by the way: Peace and prosperity be unto you all.

UNITED STATES (Howard Christie): "I'm 20 (I think), and I've played both Postal and FTF Diplomacy for a long time. I (obviously) publish Stabback, and I enjoy it quite a lot. Somehow, I managed to find a girl who would marry me. I guess the million bucks helped a lot. I'm in the Army reserves, and as a result of that, I move a lot. But I think I fit into the "Damn Yankee" category quite well. For some strange reason, I call the Russian region Ukraine "UNKRAINE" and abbreviate it "Unk". My psychiatrist wonders why I haven't the common sense to look it up in a dictionary. Oh well, it's a free country.

GM: (James Early): " I, like Michael Cox, am totally crazy. I've been in the hobby since April of this year. I'm currently in four Dippy games, one Civilization game, 1939, and an FC game that's been "about to start" for 2 months. Game-mastering 2 games of FC seemed like fun, so I decided to publish MG. Someday, I hope to publish my own zine. I think I can rightfully say that I am the best Diplomacy player in Pasadena. I am a Republican all the way, and an avid supporter of President Reagan. Believe it or not, I am not a radical rebel Texan like King or Perry. In fact, I will probably attend college in either the north or in California. By the way, I'm 16 and a junior at Sam Rayburn High School. Most of all, I would like to wish all of the players good luck.

AND NOW.. ON TO THE MOVES!

PAN-ARAB MILITARISM TERRIFIES THREE CONTINENTS!
U.S., U.S.S.R. MOVE SOUTH AND EAST!
CHINESE PREMIER DIES IN OFFICE; NEW ONE APPOINTED!

AUS(King): f per-NEI, p syd-PER, f bri-JAV, f mel-SEI.
BRA(Young): f rio-ARG, f bel-GUI, f sal-MWA, a ama-BOL.
CHI(McKinnon): a can-VIE, f sha-YEL, F MAN-kor, a PEK-man.
PAL(Cox): a teh-PAK, a bag-SAU, f egy-MED, p sau-TEH.
RUS(Petersen): a mos-POL, a oms-MON, f ark-NWG, f VLA-kor, p hun-KAZ.
SAF(Cooper): a rho-ZAM, f NAM-MEA, f cap-SWI, f moz-NWI.
USA(Christie): p ala-LOS, f haw-MEP, f new-CAR, a chi-QUE.

Gains: BRA: arg,gui,bol. CHI: VIE. PAL: pak. RUS: mon. SAF: zam. USA: QUE.

PROPOSALS: 2 week deadlines fails (0 for, 2 against).

Game Notes: Note that the Miller Number has been changed.

COA: Phil Cooper, 80 E. Brandis Ave., Staten Island, NY 10308.

Also please note that Staven McKinnon, BARH A303, RPI, Troy, NY 12181 is the new player for China.

TEHRAN-GM: Orders for Spring Military maneuvers. Combined air, sea, and land movements with the purpose of entering foreign territory. Due to the economic crisis of the present time all territory occupied will be immediately annexed into the Pan-Arab League. Military governments will be set up to rule these occupied territories. Hostile action is not to be interpreted by other nations. Our military is only tabilizing a troubled are of the world. THESE ORDERS ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT IMMEDIATELY.

GM-TEHRAN: But will THEY buy it?

GM- AUSSIES: "Quick to judge
Quick to anger
Slow to understand

Ignorance and prejudice
And Fear
Walk hand in hand"

Rush-"Witch Hunt"(Part III
of "Fear")

Fall 2101 orders are due approximately one week before the deadline for all games in Stabback#11. Exact date to appear next issue.

GAME 2

The start of this game was announced to the players 11-29-84. The players, countries, and addresses are as follows:

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- AUS: Steven McKinnon, BARH A303, RPI, Troy, NY 12181.
- BRA: Pat Jensen, 712 Minnesota Ave., Albert Lea, MN 56007.
- CHI: Andy Clough, 11033 Barman Ave., Culver City, CA 90230
- PAL: Mike Perry, 1205 Armor, Pasadena, TX 77502.
- RUS: Troy Bollinger, P.O. Box 2951, SHSU, Huntsville, TX 77340.
- SAF: David Baker, 4917 Alamo, Galveston, TX 77550.
- USA: Jay Brumbaugh, 1534 Bluegrass Cove, Germantown, TN 38138.

Game Notes: Spring 2101 orders and introductory pre-game statements are due Friday, January 11, 1985.

Game fee is still due from Jensen. This is your last chance, Pat. If I do not have it by the 11th, I will replace you.

Standby List: Brumbaugh, Bruck, Cooper, Baker. More needed.

PLUG OF THE MONTH

PROTOZOAN by Scott Cameron, 4 Meadow Ln., Hicksville, NY 11801. PROTOZOAN has something to say in that it is the world's first unzine. This means that it is composed of flyers of your game reports only (but you can receive reports of other games, also, if you wish).

Scott is an excellent Gm so far. Protozoan 's games consist mainly of other multiplayer games such as Civilization, but he will run virtually anything as long as he has it. He is very flexible and is always open for suggestions. He currently has openings in Regular Dip, FC, Conquistador, Civilization, Cold War, Kingmaker, and a Civ variant called "Farmers & Citizens." He is even looking for opponents for PBM Lost Worlds(an offer which I am going to take him up on). If you have ever played any of these games FTF, then you will really love them Postally! Civilization is especially great. Plus, PZ has weird articles every issue. It is also one of the cheapest zines around, with game fees of \$3.00, and a sub rate of only 20¢ an issue. The best thing about Scott is that he's totally crazy!! (perhaps even more so than myself. Check out Protozoan sometime.

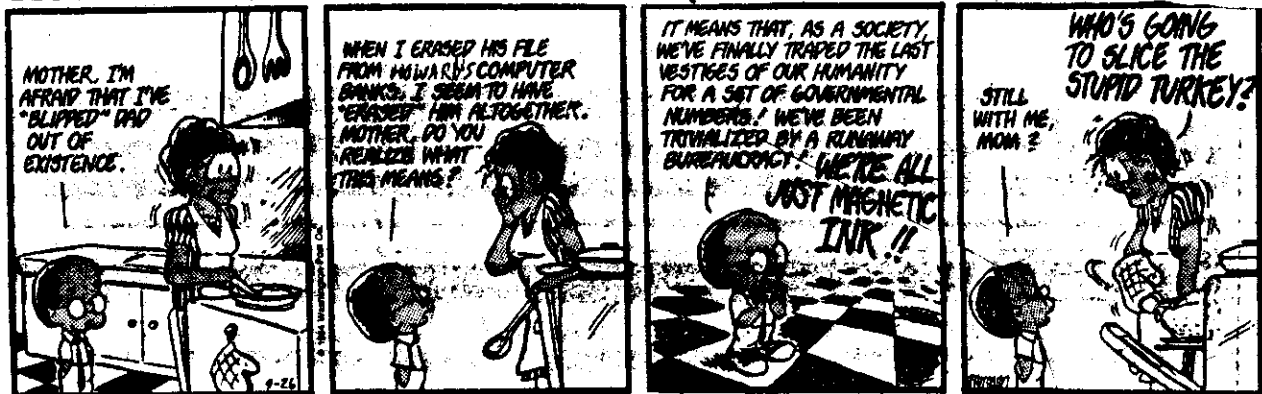
One more thing: a question addressed to Howard-- Who was that in the Picture Contest in Stabback#7? Did I guess right?

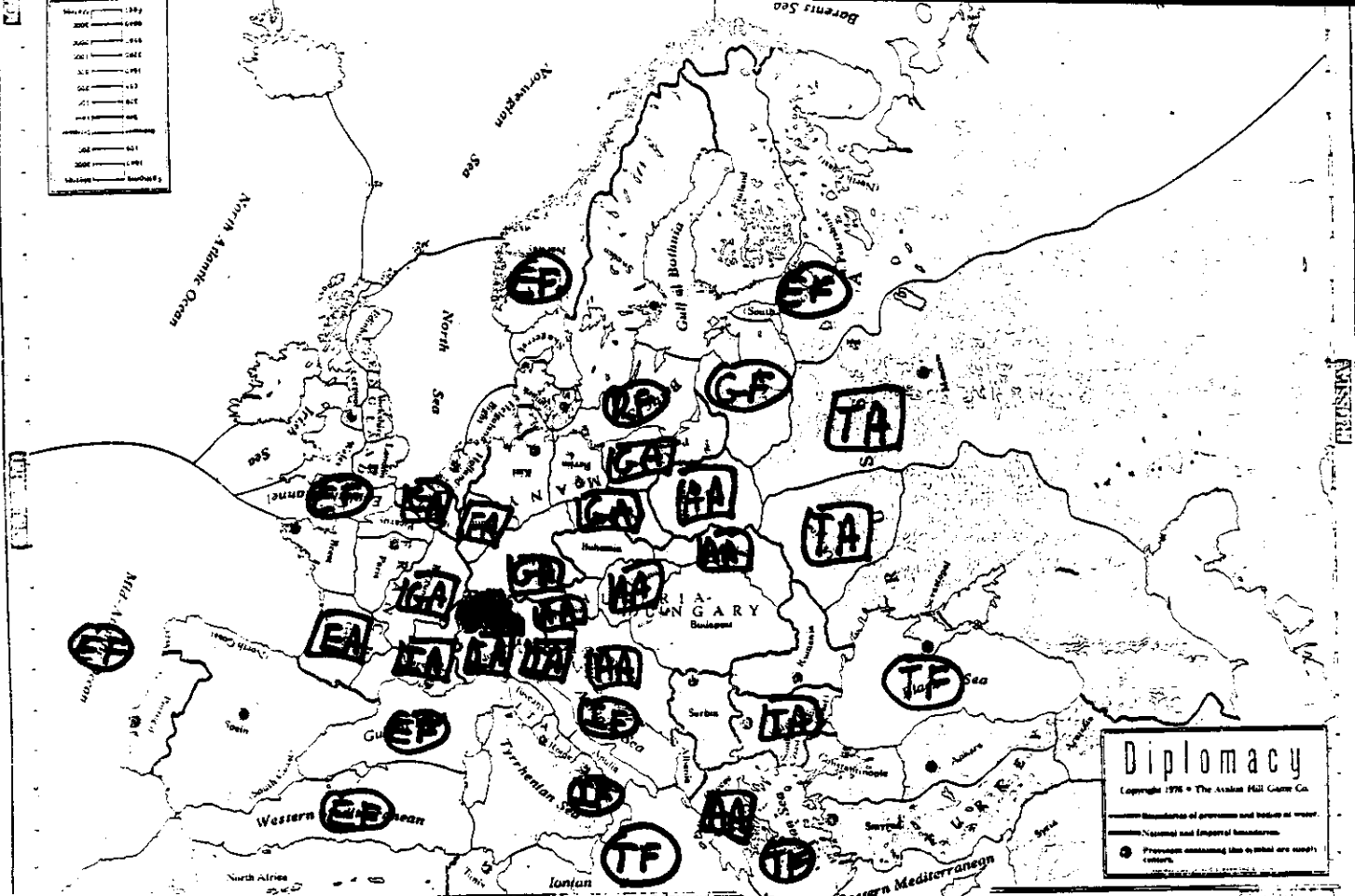
Well, that's about it for this week, folks.

Coming next week: A "famous Diplomacy Quotes" contest, and (hopefully) my first article on FC!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

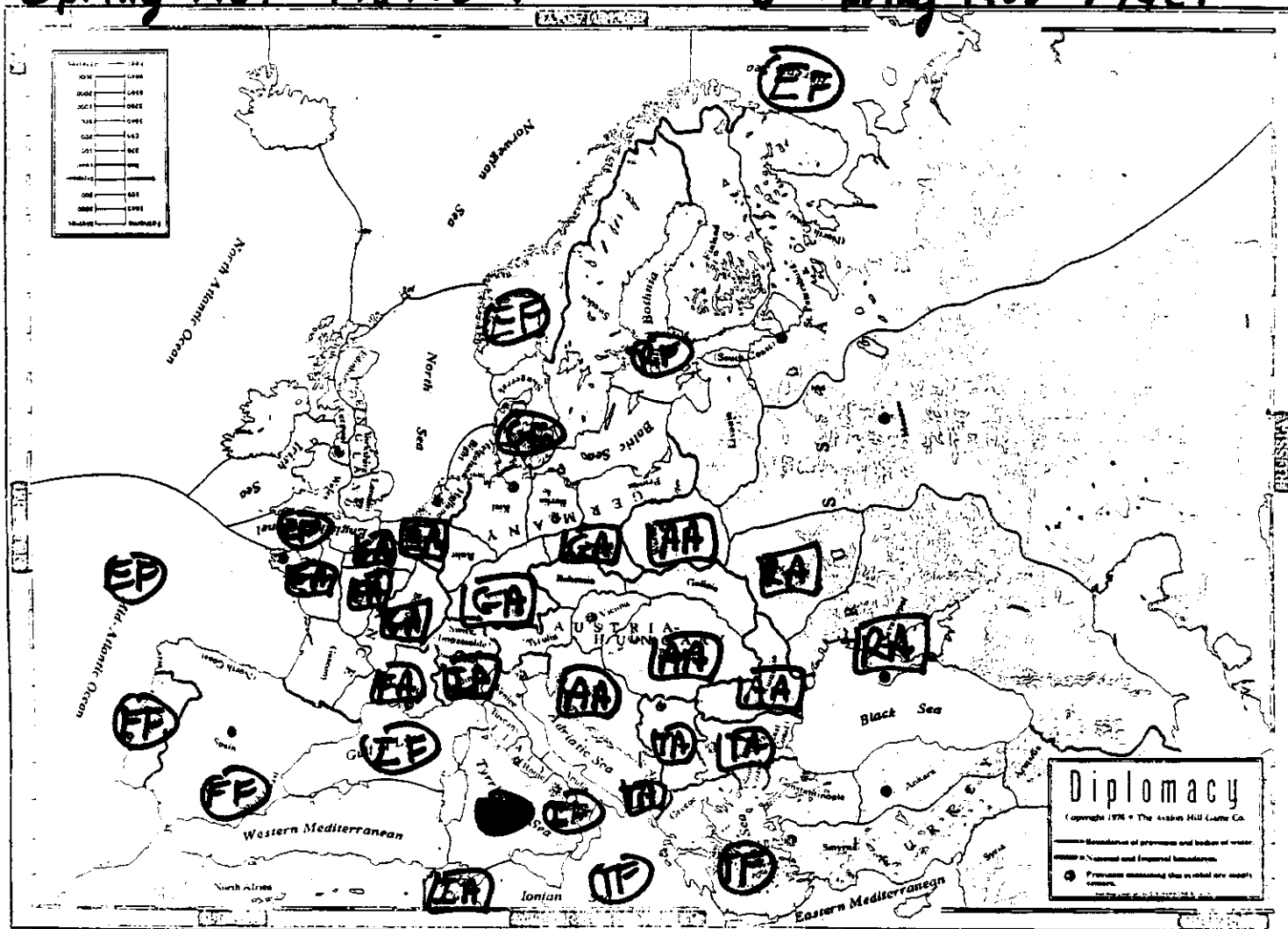
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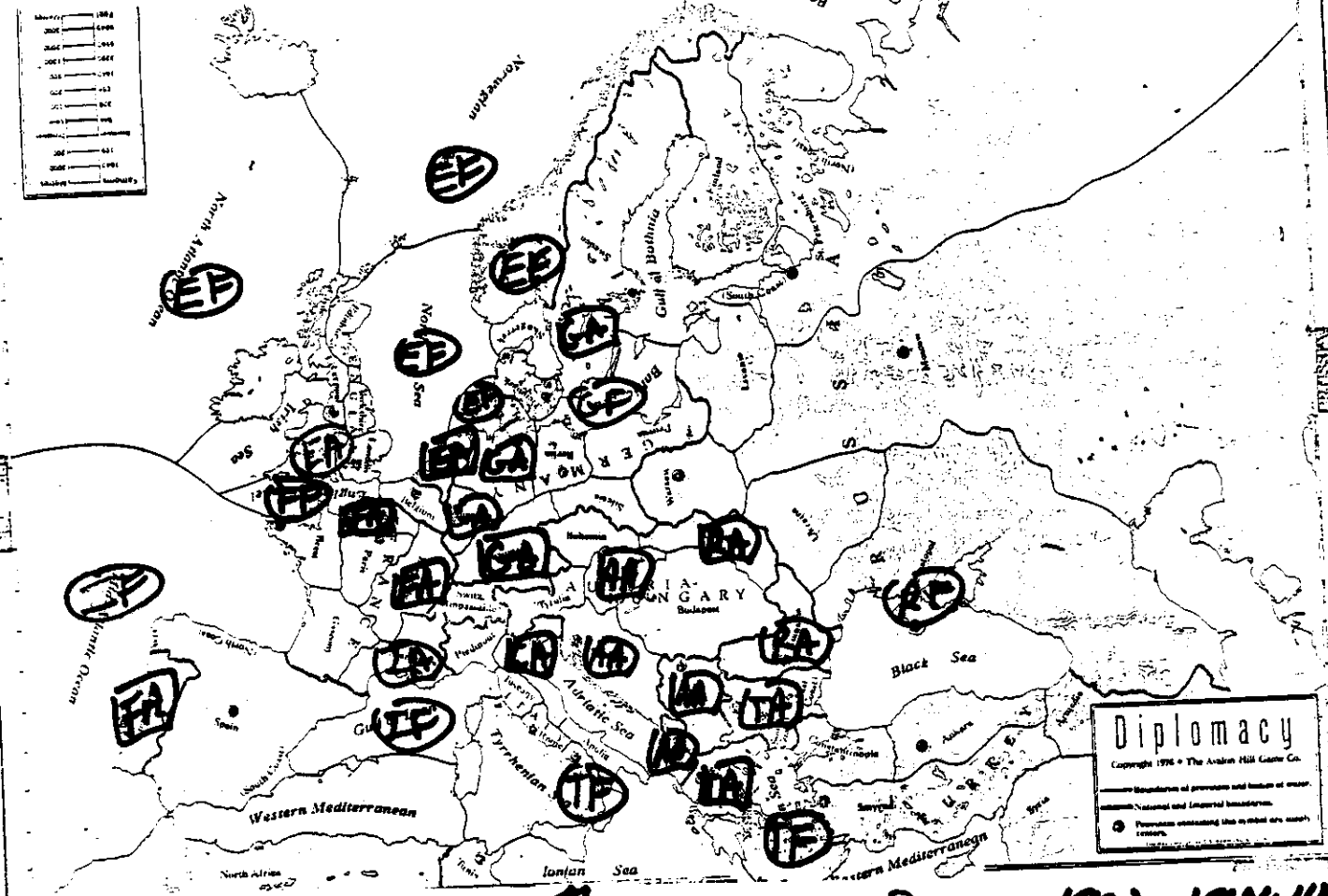




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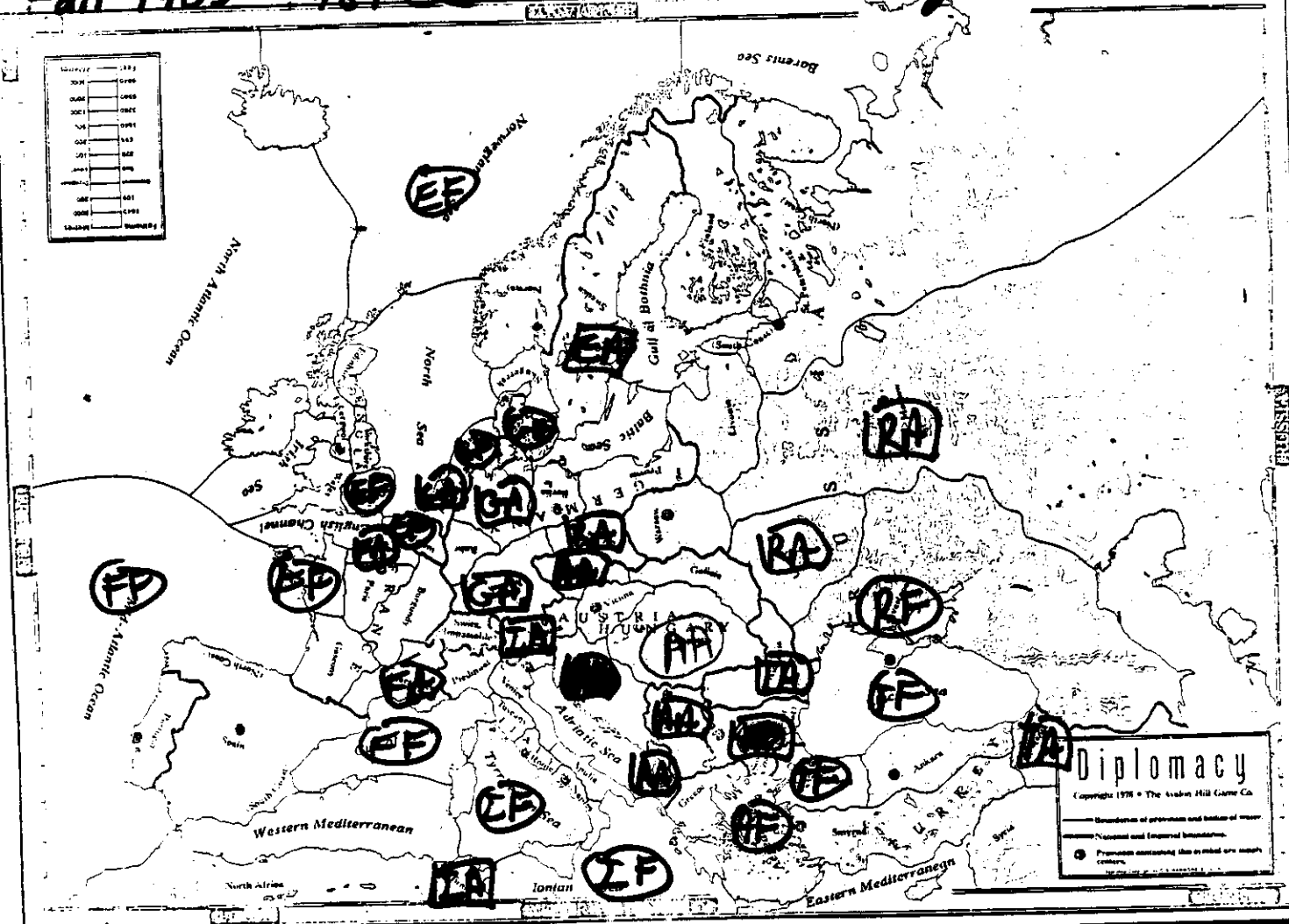
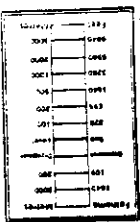




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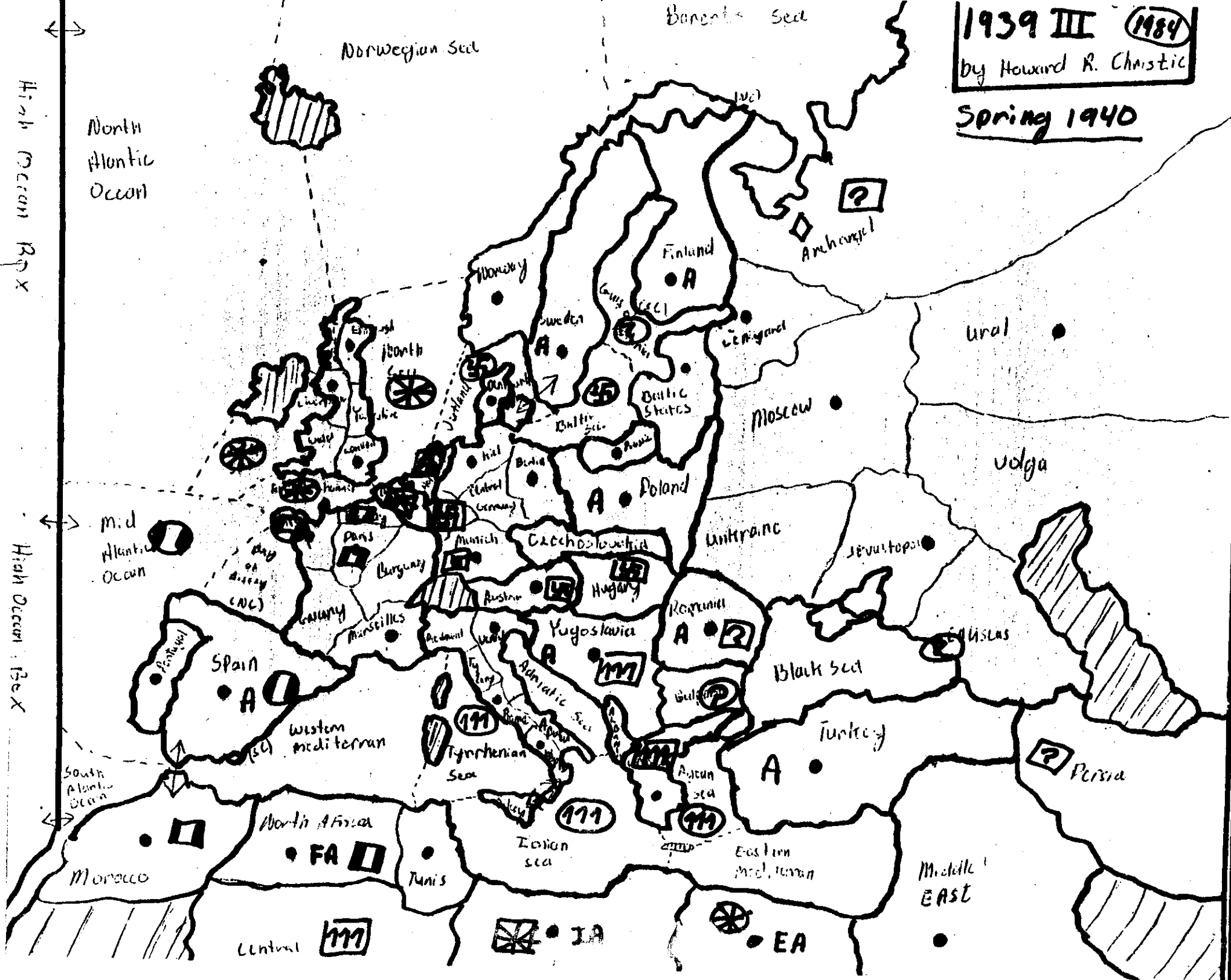
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1939 III (1984)
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Spring 1940



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High Ocean Box

North Atlantic Ocean

Norwegian Sea

Barents Sea

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High Ocean Box

Mid Atlantic Ocean

South Atlantic Ocean

Central

IA

EA

Middle East

Persia

Turkey

Black Sea

Sevastopol

Ukraine

Czechoslovakia

Poland

Moscow

Ural

Volga

Finland

Sweden

Norway

Denmark

Germany

France

Spain

Italy

Greece

Balkans

Yugoslavia

Bulgaria

Romania

Hungary

Austria

Yugoslavia

Albania

Greece

Turkey

North Africa

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Libya

Eastern Mediterranean

Western Mediterranean

Adriatic Sea

Tyrrhenian Sea

Ionian Sea

Aegean Sea

Black Sea

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