

"One day, on the road to Damascus, God spoke to Rodney Walker, saking, 'John Koning is getting Out Of Hand and must be Punished. You will write him a letter about Oranges... or is it Organes... and then..."

# STABBIN

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Several games have already begun in Ragnarck, and others await only a player or two to commence. Fees are \$3 for the first game, and \$1 for additional games. Specify country choice, if you have a

preference. Ragnarok games rum on a bi-weekly schedule.

I WENT TO TORONTO two weeks ago, and it was an experience, let me tell you. I arrived near midnight, fresh from a six hour drive in my magnificent Cougar, and was greeted by a bleary eyed Derek Nelson (the only kind I know), who had as usual prepared for my visit by staying up all night the night before, going out to a party earlier in the evening, drinking vast quantities of beer (the refrigerator was empty and the trash cans full), letching after countless wemen, and in general putting himself into a proper mood to receive me.

"Have a beer," he said, reaching into the nearly bare refrigera-"I have some Rolling Rock in the Car..." I ventured. "NOI" he shreiked, "You must have this beer! Heh..er... heh heh." So I took the bottle of Charrington's Toby, opened it in my usual fastidious fashion and -- after wiping the beer off the table, wall, and my sleeve -- took a sip. "Augh" I said. "Augh augh." "Well," said Nelson, beaming, "I'm glad you like it. I've had it here for a month, and Lake had it for two months before that. No one else would drink it. So we saved it for wor." drink it. So we saved it for you."

Canadian hospitality.

I immediately came down with a cold.

The next day we went to see Bruce Cadenhead, who had accompanied Derek on a cycle trip to my home in the summer of 1965. I knew Bruce would be glad to see me.
"Hi," Bruce said. "Who are you?"

I was overwhelmed with the warmth of his welcome. But he did set up beers all around and, after the mist had cleared from his vision, did venture a tentative identification. "You're from

states, aren't you?" I settled for that.
Later we visited Bob Lake. He didn't offer me a warm coke.
Sunday they had the border guards throw me out. the states, aren't you?" I always have a good time in Canada.

I do wish to mention, however, that at a diplomacy game in downtown Toronto on Saturday, 7 stalwart Canadians ignored a refrigerator of Canadian Beer to drink up my imported Rolling Rock before going back to their noxious brews. So did I.

CORRECTIONS TO STAB #52 - -

1967AE-G: B. Stewart (dro FO2) ((Not "B. Steward"))

CHANGES - - -

<u>Cerebral Nebula</u> and <u>High Liver</u> games (including CN 1967J,T, & Z) are now in ADAG, being run by Hal Naus.

Armageddonia games 1967AT & AY have been moved to Aceldama, from John McCallum, as of SO5 in AT and WO4 in AY.

1966F-F: A. Huff (out F12)

1966K-F: J. Mazor (dro F10) D. Beyerlein

1966T-F: J. Latimer (out FO9)

1966AH-G: E. Birsan (out F09)

1966AZ-E: D. Francis (dre FO8) G. Schelz

1967B-I: L. Haramis (dro FO7)

A. Huff J. Mazor (dro FO7) R:

R. Johnson (out FO7)

1967I-E: L. Haramis (dro WO6) R. Johnson

G. Schelz (out FO6) R:

B. Pendergrass (out FO9) C. Ollila (dro FO5) 1967P-F:

disorder (cut FO9)

1967W-F: S. Cochran (out FO8)

1967Y-R: J. Greene (out FO7)

1967AC-F: J. Houghton (dro FO5)

H. Naus

G: L. Haramis (dro FO5)

D. Beyerlein

I: G. Schelz (out FO5)

T: M. Miller (dro FO5)

B. Reiter

1967AJ-I: L. Arico (out FO7)

1967AL-A: J. Houghton (dro WO5)

D. Beyerlein

#1967AM-I: T. Griffin (dro SO6)

C. von Metzke

1967AQ-F: J. Houghton (dro FO5)

D. Beyerlein

1967AR-A: B. Kinney (out FO6)

1967AW-G: J. Neahr (out FO4)

1967BB-E: B. Tretick (out FO4)

R: J. Houghton (dro FO4)

A. Huff

1968C-I: K. Duffy (dro FO3)

R. Johnson

1968D-E: B. Reiter (dro SO3)

R. Johnson

1968E-A: A. Huff (out FO3)

L. Peery (dro WO5) 1968G-F:

D. Nelson

M. Childers (out FO5) I:

Rosters STAB	#56 Fege 4
1968I-F: B. Maloney (out F05)	196SBV - Aeolus #4 - Monte Zelazny ((Oct))
1968V-I: J. Houghton (dro WO2) P. Rosamilia  1968AH-A: T. Hearnden (dro SO3) disorder (out FO3)	E - James Munroe F - John McCallum G - John Beshara I - Jeff Key A - Dave Lebling R - Ed Halle T - Chuck Carey
NEW GAMES	1968BW - Dies Irae #1 - Conrad
1968BK - Verbal Chaos, Ltd Conrad von Metzke (Pub) Scott Duncan (GM)  E - Sidney Jolly F - Bill Hoyer G - Lewis Ritter I - Harold Naus A - Conrad von Metzke R - Scott Duncan T - Gary Gygax	von Metzke ((Oct))  E - Steven J. Projan  F - Sam Ferris  G - Don Fontaine  I - Gary Gygax  A - Bill McDuffie  R - Scott Duncan  T - Lewis Ritter  1968BX - Spald, Jr. #1 - Robert
1968BS - Costaguana #6 - Conrad  von Metzke ((Sept))  E - Michael R. Childers  F - Edi Birsan  G - Stefan H. Beecher  I - Larry St. Cyr, Jr.  A - Jeff W. Key  R - Russell Boggs	Perkins  E - Bill McLinn  F - Jim Perkins  G - Nick McCully  I - John Lackner  A - Jim Munroe  R - Terry Ahearn  T - Jim Luscombe
T - Robert Perkins	1968BY - Big Brother #11 - Charles Reinsel ((Oct))
1968BT - Aeclus #3 - Monte Zelazny ((Sept)) E - George Grayson F - Buddy Tretick G - Banks Mebane I - Harold Naus A - Norman Zinkhan R - Mehran Thomson, Jr.	
T - Gerald White	1968BZ - <u>Erehwon</u> - Rod Walker ((Nov))
1968BU - La Guerre KAC - Buddy Tretick ((Sept)) E - James Bacon F - Charles Hock G - Robert Hickson I - Gregory Warden A - Charles Reinsel R - Steven Bobker T - Kurt Krey	E - Russell Boggs F - David May G - Ian McCandlish & Russ Jones I - Rick Brooks A - Banks Mebane R - Jeff Key, Jr. T - Paul Mahoney  Listings continue on next page.

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                                 STAB #56
Rosters
1968CA - Ragnarok A - John Koning
                                       1968CC - Ragnarok C - John
                                                             ((Nov))
                                                 Koning
                       ((Nov))
                                       E - Roland Tzudiker
E - Norman McLeod
                                       F - Charles N. Reinsel
F - Frank Lunney
                                       G - Randy Bytwerk
G - Bill Weyant
                                       I - James L. Munroe
I - Mike Goldstein
                                       A - Michael Goldstein
A - John A. McCallum
R - Peter David Summer III
                                       R - Norman McLeod
                                       T - John A. McCallum
T - Russell Boggs
                                       1968CD - Xenogogic X-18 - Larry
1968CB - Ragnarok B - John Koning
                                                  Peery ((Oct))
                       ((Nov))
E - Randy Bytwerk
                                       E - Russell Boggs
                                       F - Russ Jones
F - Norman McLeod
G - Margaret Gemignani
                                       G - Ian McCandlish
I - Bill Weyant
                                       I - Paul Mahoney
                                       A - Norman McLeod
A - Frank Lunney
                                       R - Randy Bytwerk
R - Reland Tzudiker
                                       T - Roland Tzudiker
T - Charles N. Reinsel
NEWLY COMPLETED GAMES -
1966K - Diplophbia PEA -- Don Miller
                                       R - Ron Parks (out FO3)
E - Sidney Get (dro SO2)
                                       T - Pat McDonnell (dro WO1)
    Wayne Hoheisal (out FO5)
F - John Mazor (dro F10)
                                           George Parks (dro FO3)
                                           Jay Haldeman (dro FO6)
    Doug Beyerlein
G - James Latimer
                                           Michael Dobson (dro FO7)
                                           Hal Naus (out FO9)
I - Charles Brannan (cut FO4)
A - David Lebling (won S11)
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the 32 units on board
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                                                  at the end of 1910 would
have won the game at that time anyway). PEA might be classed as a variant, since it permitted the "Spring Raid". (Note that in 1909 and 1910 the number of owned supply centers dropped to 33, as one
apparently reverted to neutral status.)
1967AF - Big Brother #4 -- Charles Reinsel ((winners' game))
E - John Koning (won F15)
                                       A - Charles Wells (dro F13)
F - James MacKenzie (dro SO5)
                                            disorder
    disorder (out FO9)
                                       R - John McCallum
G - John Smythe (dro FO3)
                                       T - Jerry Pournelle (out FO3)
    disorder (out 805)
I - Derek Nelson
                                        Supply center chart on page 6.
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1967AF Supply Centre Chart														
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Victory was awarded to Kening on the basis of the majority-of-units-on-board criterion, since he had 15 of the 29 units on board at the end of "Winter 1915."

1966BB - Adag #9 -- Hal Naus

E - Dave Francis (out FO5)

A - Rick Payment (out SO3)

F - Eugene Prosnitz

R - Larry Peery (won F10)

G - Greg Long

T - Tom Griffin (out FO8)

I - Buddy Pendergrass

Congratulations to Larry Peery on his first (and about time) win!!!

And that's all we'll hear about \*Rosters\* this issue.

sTab #III "Winter 1908" 8 November 1968

### ROLAND TZUDIKER

ENGLAND: Remove Fleet North Sea ((out of game))

### JOHN McCALLUM

FRANCE: Build Fleet Marseilles

GERMANY: Remove Army Ruhr

### LARRY PEERY

RUSSIA: No builds received - unavailable by phone. Could have built two.

DEADLINE FOR "SPRING 1909" ORDERS IS FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 1968

WINTER 1908

STAB #56

RALSTONSTADT ÜBER SADENFELD-ARZNETHÜTTE (1 October 1908) In an address here

today before the Canucklandia Club, Ryerson College President Derek Nelson scoffed at the clumsiness of Peeriland propaganda. "Look, for example, at the obvious imposture of last week's despatch datelined Ralstonstadt," he said. "It stated that Ryerson College was instituting a degree of B.S. in Political Demograery. The clowns are so inept that they don't even know that no institution of higher learning in Canucklandia has a degree of B.S. in anything. Here, the abbreviation B.S. has but one meaning, namely the chief product and export of Peeriland." This remark was greeted with howls of laughter from the club members, who immediately started to sing

the chorus of the best known marching song of the Canucklandia army.

Johannus Cassundnus, M.Sc., Professor of Crystal Ball Gazing and Foreboding was heard to remark, "That tune will be heard around the world when whistled from a bridge over the Kwai River." The professor's remark was quite incomprehensible, as usual.

sTab #V "Fall 1905" 8 November 1968 son dans coul man from their pass to pass could man again time. Safe conclusion come pass cours could conclude a come pass cours cours dans gave two

Summer 1905: Austrian Army Budapest retreats to Trieste.

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F Nth-hold; F Eng-Mid; F Hol (S) F Nth; F WMed-Tun ENGLAND:

A Bel-Ruh; A Pic-Bel; A Mar (S) F Spa; A Bur-Mun; F Spa(sc) (S) A Mar FRANCE:

TURKEY : F Con (3) RUSSIAN A Rum-Bul; A Smy (S) F Con; F Syr (S)

A Smy

DEREK NELSON

GERMANY: A Mun-Boh

ITALY: A Tyr (S) GERMAN A Mun-Boh; A Pie-Mar; F Tus-Tyrr;

F Lyon (S) F Tus-Tyrr; F Naf-Tun A Tri-Bud; A Ser (S) A Tri-Bud; A Gal-Vie; F Aeg-Con; AUSTRIA:

F EMed-Smy; A Bul-Rum

JOHN SMYTHE

A Bud (S) A Rum-Ser; A Rum-Ser; F Bla-Bul; A War-Gal; A Ukr (S) A War-Gal; A Sil-Mun; A Ber (S) A Sil-Mun; RUSSTA:

F Kie-hold; F Den (S) F Kie; F Ska-Nwy

Underlined moves do not succeed.

DEADLINE FOR "WINTER 1905" ORDERS IS FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 1968

BUILDS:

ENGLAND:

Lon, Edi, Lvp, Hol ((4)) No change Par, Bre, Mar, Por, Spa, Bel ((6)) Build ONE Total 13 Ank, Smy, Con ((3)) No change FRANCE:

TURKEY:

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Bél ((OUT)) Remove Army Bohemia GERMANY:

ITALY: Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun, MAM ((4)) Remove ONE Total 9

AUSTRIA: Vie, BAM, Tri, Ser, Gre, Bul ((5)) Remove ONE

RUSSIA: StP, War, Mos, Sev, Rum, Swe, Nwy, Den, Ber, Kie, Bud,

Mun ((12)) Build TWO

DELZURA (13 March 1905) Oranges, Oranges, Beer, Beer, Peery's Press Releases, God what a waste of Good space.

DELZURA (13 March - 1905) This picturous little town of 14 people made move today to annex the Territory of Jamul (Pop 22 -- 23 when von Metzke moves his mailbox back there). When the annexation is complete the territory will then petition the Great Peeri to add their territory to the Grand Territory of Coyete Junction (Pop 11) to form a nucleus of a new territory, to be called Peerisolvia.

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"Spring 1913, Game III"

8 Nevember 1968

### BREAK IN AUSTRIAN LINE

ITALIAN DEATH COMMANDOES SEIZE TYROLIA

ENGLAND: F WMed-hold; F Nwy (S) RUSSIAN A StP; A Swe-Fin; (Pournelle) F Both-Lvn; F Bal (S) F Both-Lvn; A Hol (S) GERMAN A Kie; A Bur-Mun; F Eng-hold

GEPMANY: A Ruh (S) A Kia; A Kie-hold (Latimer)

F Ion-Aeg; F Tyrr-Ion; F Nan (S) F Tyrr-Ion; F Apu (S) ITALY: F Tyrr-Ion; F Lyon-Tyrr; A Pie-Tyr; A Ven (S) A Pie-Tyr; A Tus (S) A Ven (Clark)

F Alb (S) F Adr; F Adr (S) A Tyr-Ven; F Gre-Aeg; F EMed-Aeg; A Tyr-Ven; A Bud-Tri; A Vie (S) A Bud-Tri; A Mos (S) A Lvn; A Lvn (S) RUSSIAN A STP; A War (S) A Lvn; A Pru (S) A Ber; A Ber (S) GERMAN A Kie; A Mun (S) GERMAN A Kie; A Sil (S) A Mun; A Boh (S) A Mun AUSTRIA: (Smythe)

A StP-hold RUSSIA: (Nelson)

Underlined moves do not succeed. The Austrian Army Tyrolia is routed and annihilated for lack of a retreat.

DEADLINE FOR "FALL 1913" ORDERS IS FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 1968 

LONDON How do we go about declaring this a draw? Or will Italy please agree to give up enough supply centers to get this over with? Or will something happen? Sheesh.

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GENEVA TO LONDON (DWE)

A draw can be declared only upon the request of all surviving players in the game.

# "Spring 1905, Game IV"

# I T A L Y M O V E S N O R T H GERMANY HITS SILENT RUSSIA

ENGLAND: A StP-Mos; A Den-hold; A Swe (S) A Den; F Nwg-Nat; (Koalenz) F Eng-hold; F Lvp-Iri

GERMANY: F Bal (C) A Kie-Lvn; A Kie-Lvn; F Ber-Kie; A Sil-Pru; (Smythe) A Mun-Sil; A Par-Bur; A Bre-hold

ITALY: F Mid-Nat; F WMed-Spa(sc); F Tyrr-WMed; F Ion-held; (Presnitz) A Pie-Mar; A Mar-Gas; A Ven-Tyr

AUSTRIA: A Gal-War; A Gre (S) A Ser-Bul; A Bud-hold ((unordered)) (Tzudiker) F Alb (S) ITALIAN F Ion; A Ser-Bul

RUSSIA: No moves received. A's Mos, Ukr, Rum-stand (Ward)

TURKEY: A Sev-Ukr; F Bul(ec) (S) RUSSIAN A Rum; A Con (S) F Bul; (Kuch) F Aeg-Ion; F EMed (S) F Aeg-Ion

Underlined moves do not succeed.

DEADLINE FOR "FALL 1905" ORDERS IS FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 1968

CONSTANTINOPLE We got COBOL on the .U.S. Foreign Aid program.

Sorry, England, But Fortran II went to Albania,
where it's the latest rage... we hear that, among other items of obsoleted peace-surplus, the Grand Duchy of Hernia received the complete documentation for PL/I; they think it's a chant for a
Kabbalistic ritual, but their scholars are still examining it.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Pvt. Keith R. Koalenz Hq Cc 3rd Bn 2nd Tr Mess 53402 D-14 Camp Pendleton, Calif. 92055

# MASSIF "67 O 1968AD "Spring 1902, Game IV" 8 Nowember 1968

# TURKS SEIZE GREECE RUSSIAN MARINES LAND IN NORWAY:

ENGLAND: No moves received. F's Lon, Nth, Mid; A Bel-stand (Thomson)

FRANCE: A Par-Pic; A Mar-Bur; A Spa-hold; F Eng-Lon (Naus)

GERMANY: A Bur-Mun; A Den-hold; A Mun-Ruh; F Hol-hold; F Kie-Helg (Koalenz)

ITALY: F Nap-Ion; F Tun (S) F Nap-Ion; A Pie (S) A Ven; (Greene) A Ven (S) A Pie

AUSTRIA: F Gre-Aeg; A Ser (S) RUSSIAN A Rum-Bul; A Bud-Rum; (Cochran) A Vic-Gal; A Tri-hold

RUSSIA: A War-Gal; A Rum (S) A War-Gal; F Bla (S) A Rum; (Nelson) F StP(nc)-Nwy; F Swe (S) F StP-Nwy; A Fin-StP

TURKEY: A Bul (S) F Aeg-Gre; F Aeg-Gre; A Con (S) A Bul; (Clark) 'F Smy-EMed

<u>Underlined</u> moves do not succeed. The Austrian Fleet Greece is retreated to Albania. The Austrian player has until Thursday, 21 November 1968, to exercise his option to remove rather than retreat.

DEADLINE FOR "FALL 1902" ORDERS IS FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 1968

VIENNA The Austro-Hungarian Emperor takes upon himself the duty of settling the division of the Balkans.

PARMA Duca Greene outlined several key points of the Government's Foreign Policy. (1) Peace with Austria and even limited support so as not to create a vacuum in Central Europe. (2) Anti-Swiss. The Duca stated, "When we get right down to the bulwark of Italian Foreign Folicy, the heart of our entire policy, it must, in the final analysis, be Italian National Interest."

GENEVA (DWE) Italian National Interest? 21/2%?

PALARMO Why does Humbert I have a glass bottom boat? Answer: To see his fleet.

What is Orange, big, round, and has a green stem? Answer: A Pumpkin.

What is Orange, big, round, and terrorizes Europe? Answer: Atilla the Pumpkin.

What is Orange, big, round, and is psychotic? Answer: The Pumpkin Strangler.

PARIS Help -- We need GRAPER, for our whine, what with the English and Italian and German troops moving all around our territory, the French Grape Workers were so afraid that they allowed the Grapes to wither on the Vine. The only Nation to come to French aid was the United States of Texas who sent Oranges, but so many delicate French maidens hands were cut from trying to take the Cactus burrs out of them.

GENEVA (DWE) French-Ade?

SPRING 1902

I wonder who is going to pick my bones. Not the Italians, PARIS since Duca Greene doesn't have the brains. Maybe the Germans or the English.

Game 1966AB

8 November 1968

#### GERMANY SWEEPS TO VICTORY ITALIAN CAMPAIGN ENDS 10 YEAR WAR

ENGLAND: F Iri-Nat; A Wal-Lon; A Yor-Lon; F Tun-Ion (Brannan)

GERMANY: F Eng-hold; F Mid-hold; F Naf-hold; F Lyon-Tyrr; (Thomson) F Tyrr-Nap; A Mar-hold; A Pie (S) A Tyr-Ven; A Tus-Rom; A Tyr-Ven; A Mun-Bur; A Boh-Sil; A War-Gal; A Pru (S) A Boh-Sil; A Mos-Ukr; A Ukr-Rum; A Sev (S) A Ukr-Rum

AUSTRIA: A Vie-hold; A Gal-Rum; A Bud (S) A Gal-Rum; A Tri (S) (Reinsel) A Vie; A Ser (S) A Bul; A Alb-held; A Gre (S) A Bul; A Bul (S) A Gal-Rum; F Ion-Aeg; F EMed (S) F Ion-Aeg

TURKEY: F Bla-Bul(ec); F Aeg-Smy; F Con-Aeg (Latimer)

Underlined moves do not succeed.

DEADLINE FOR "WINTER 1910" ORDERS IS FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 1968

#### BUILDS:

Lvp, Edi, Lon, Tun ((4)) No change ENGLAND:

FRANCE:

Por ((1)) No place to build Ber, Kie, Mun, Hol, Den, Swe, Nwy, War, Mes, StP, Bel, Bre, Par, Spa, Mar, Sev, Ven, Rom, Nap ((19)) Build GERMANY: THREE

Bud, Tri, Ser, Vie, Køn, Vøn, Rum, Gre, Bul, Møn ((7)) AUSTRIA:

Remove THREE

TURKEY: Smy, Con, Ank ((3)) No change

When Mehran Thomson and Charles Reinsel have made their "Winter 1910" moves, the game will be over, a victory for Germany. A game summary will appear in sTab #57. Players are invited to make any concluding statements they wish. Congratulations to Mehran Thomson on his farthcoming win, his first.

+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + Today the Sultan of Turkey, the King of England, and the Chancellor of Prussia met in this newly liberated city to celebrate the pax-Germanica which has finally brought peace to this war-torn world.

## - "Winter 1901, Game L"

# RUSSIA, FRANCE LEAD ARMAMENT RACE ARMIES AND FLEETS GET EQUAL PRIORITY

ENGLAND: Build Army Edinburgh (Davidson)

FRANCE: Build Army Paris, Fleet Marseilles, Fleet Brest (Halle)

GERMANY: Build Fleet Kiel, Army Berlin (Lebling)

ITALY: Build Fleet Naples, Army Venice (Francis)

AUSTRIA: Build Army Budapest (Swenson)

RUSSIA: Build Fleet Sevastapel, Fleet St. Petersburg (n.c.), (Walker) Army Moscow

DEADLINE FOR "SPRING 1902" ORDERS IS FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 1978

VERSAILLES (31 December 1901) NSDAP (which stands for Never Stop Digging After Phacts)

Eduard I, King of, Emperor of, Rightful Ruler of, and et cetera, dispatched greetings to David of Italy and assured him of his good intentions. It is reported that King David was somewhat dubicus of all this, as it is reported that a new fleet has appeared in the province of Marseilles. Hummnmmmmmm?

VENICE (27 November 1901) A spectacular train wreck has taken place here in Venice, along the Via Bordello. Freightcars were piled like toys along the tracks, split open in every direction. One boxcar, which bore seals of the Italian border police, and evidence of occupation by people of very filthy habits, caused an immediate sensation and search of the area. After about two hours, 323 mad, satiracal Monks were found in various houses of business along this famous Venetian street. Italian police said they interrupted the pleasures of 321 of them, "while the other two didn't seem to be enjoying themselves much."

FOR SALE: Information certain to lead to the apprehension of that "certain worm" sought by the Russian Government. Reasonable rates, as we have no intention of setting foot in Russia to deliver it curselves.

KIEV (23 November 1901) His Imperial Majesty, Boris II, Tsar-Autocrat of All the Russias and Then Some, today issued a proclamation precognizing Daniel of Ruthenia as independent Tsar of Kiev, Vladimir, Odessa, Bessarabia, the Taurida, and all Ukraina, as Daniil IV. "We shall accord," the Tsar intoned, "the said Tsar, Our brother of the south, all honor and power as co-ruler of Our realm. In earnest of Our good intentions, We shall give to our well-beloved brother Daniil the hand of Our sister-in-law, the Princess Margaret Burdshcha. The Princess Margaret, or Peggy, is a well-known authoress in Her own land, and possesses many of the talents for which Her sister, Our Empress, is also known."

BUCHAREST (25 November 1901) Sir Elric Lessingham, former supreme ruler of Rumania, was today discovered floating in the mouths of the Danube. His body, in a seme-what fragmented condition, was encased here and there troughout a giant ball of beeswax. Unaccountably, Sir Elric's brain was found to be missing, as was his heart. The body will be sewn back together, lie in state until next Tuesday, or until it starts to stink, and will be immediately planted somewhere in Dobruja. Police are still trying to apprehend the perpetrator of this monstrous crime, so that he may be presented with a \$25 U.S. Savings Bond (Series E).

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# MOSSOF:

ROLAND TZUDIKER, 897 Carr St., Denver, Colorado 80215 I prefer Naval oranges for eating and Indian River (Florida) "for juice."

HAL NAUS, 3221 National Ave. #91, National City, Calif. 92050.

I was always under the impression that Texas Oranges were the biggest in the world, that is until you got thru the Cactus needles and two inch pulp, then you have the smallest, smaller than a radish.

JOHN BOARDMAN, 592 16th St., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11218 What's all the fuss about cranges? A large number of my forebears were faithful followers of the House of Orange those past 400 years.

JOHN McCALLUM, "A Qtrs," S.E.S., Ralston, Alberta, Canada Please tell Derek that cranges are a nick-name for his ancestors who fought in a famous battle 280 years ago.

ED HALLE, P.O. Box 903, Gainesville, Fla. 32601 Jeff obviously never had the army raincoat I had. Also, to paraphrase Derek, "Texas? What is Texas?"

Red, any durn fool, and you've been called that too many times by too many others for me to do more than note it in passing, knows that God in his infinite wisdom placed the Canadian Rockies, the Great divide, Death Valley, and the Great American desert where they are in order to keep California's futile and pithy (pronounced anyway you want) attempts at citrus away from the American public.

California citrus appeals to me the same way that pineapples from Formosa do. We all know what was used for fertilizer, and the taste somehow seeps through. Need I point out that California has prohibitions on bringing citrus into the state, which is a plot to keep the people from learning how badly they are being milked?

I will also note in passing, that any treaty with Georgia (Are there still people there, Rod?) can be invalidated by the fact that Florida has a large border with Alabama. I mean no praise for either state. No derision for Alabama anyhow. The football teams from that state are one of the best reasons to go to a stadium and consume enormous amounts of brew. But Georgia -- well, having been at Forts Benning and Gordon, I truly believe if they ever gave the United States an enema, either place is where they would put the tube. You are certainly more than welcome to debate on the fitness of Nebraska to receive this honor, Rod? ((Huh? How did Nebraska get into this? Oh, Rad did live there awhile... but John Smythe is a more contemporary source.))

Like John ((Koning)), I have had no experience to compare beer with the by-products of horses. Although some Falstaff I had once (brewed in Galveston, Texas) gave me some unpleasant moments until I had poured it into a glass and satisfied myself that no reaches had

gotten into the can. Must be the water.

I will also argue the merits of Florida soil. I have just had 25 cubic yards brought to my house, and by now I am getting to be quite an expert on it. Sand? Not a chance. After having been in the rain for two days, it is getting a bit seggy, but still is no swamp. At least we Floridians don't feel so ashamed of our soil we place mountains on top of it, as the Californians have felt forced to do. So, Rod, the next time you come up through the manhole (that is how one goes to California) take a detour and come up through the one by my home and I'll be more than glad to prove the merits of Florida citrus.

ROD WALKER, 1575-A White Dr., Ranteul, Ill. 61866. I see that the masses have sent their pathetic and obviously uneducated reactions to my brilliant and classic essay on the inferiority of Florida "oranges." Also organes. A friend of mine has a very gice Hammond electric organe, and I also enjoy hearing the pipe organe. Organes also make

levely fertilizer ("organeic").

I should also note that, in the largely unintelligible meandering of Larry Peery there is often a grain of truth. He was right

on one point. I am also the world's greatest expert on Lemons.

Having analyzed the orange juice used at Washington University in my patented Centrifrugal (it doesn't use much) Orange Analyzer, I found that the mixture was crange juice, all right, with a small amount of fromaldahyde added as a preservative. However, the small quantity of sandy soil found in the juice proved conclusively that the juice was (ughi) from Florida, not from California. An obvious bit of sabotage.

I am moved to comment on Texas oranges. I have spent some time in Texas, during the summer of 1962 and the spring of 1963. Having sampled Texan cranges, I will have to admit that they are not as bad as these from Florida. They aren't exactly better either. I realize

that Texas is conserving its cranges in order to prevent the population from becoming scurvy. Unfortunately, their efforts have been largely heh!) fruitless.

The Rio Grande Valley Ruby Red grapefruit is, indeed, a highly superior product. Since it is largely cultivated by Mexicans, rather

than Texans, I can readily understand.

But let us return to Florida. Not physically, of course, for that would be too much to ask. However, I will call the reader's attention to the cans of frezen crange juice with the pictures of little cranges on the side. You may have thought that the picture was reduced in scale. Or perhaps enlarged in scale. No, Florida cranges really are that size. The peel is also thick and tough, and perhaps 35% of the crop is all peel. Nonetheless, it is romantic to drive through Florida and watch the natives trampling out the vintage from their grape-size oranges, and watching the juice flow through little troughs dug out in the dirt into collection pools, where collectors wave off the flies and drain it off into jugs in which it is flown to the clean, spotless processing plants of the crange juice companies. There they scrape off the layer of mould and crud which collects at the top and can Florida's choicest product for our consumption.

California does not have the Orange Bowl because we have the

Rose Bowl. Eat your hearts out, foreigners!

AND NOW, FINALLY, A LETTER ON A SIGNIFICANT TOPIC, FROM:

JOHN BOARDMAN, 592 16th St., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11218 ((from Calif.)) Since coming to

this part of the country I have had an opportunity to try Coor's Beer for the first time. It is every bit as good as it has been represented to me by numerous people including my brother and several Diplomacy fans. Recently they have expanded their operations southward into Texas, so we may reasonably hope that they'll reach eastern markets in another couple of years. ((They have gotten as far as St. Louis, at last report.)) There is also a very good local beer in Texas, called Lone Star.

((and that's it for now, fruit fans; see you in 3 weeks, I hope.jgk))

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