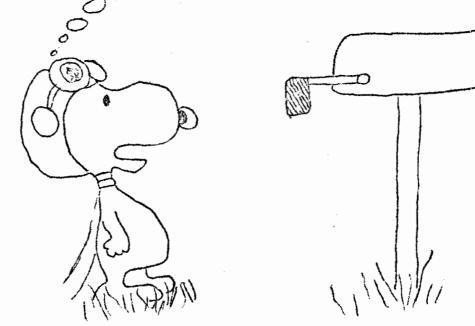
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"Expect a bigger-thanlife size stab in the mail." What's Jeff Key think he is, some kind of fortune teller?



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Of course, if this were Erehwon than I suppose this section of the magazine would be labeled "Erehwhinnies." Or, given the kind of forbidding notices Rod is so fond of, perhaps "Neighs" would have been approtpriate. At any rate, (though I prefer 10/\$1), this is merely a larger than usual (or, as Jeff Key would have it, a larger than life) issue of sTab.

Large numbers of diplomacy fans were here last weekend. But rather than go into details, I'll just wait for Walker's rendition of the event in this month's <u>Erehwon</u>. Besides, when I read his version I'll find out how much more fun I had than I realize now.

This issue has been somewhat delayed, and for that I'm sorry. An apology is enclosed, and I hope you won't demand a pound of flesh as well. Future issues should be more frequent. With the next issue of sTab, Valhalla will become a subzine of this complex. Val subscribers will be contacted separately about their subscirptions.

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The listings have grown to enormous size, but if they are not taken care of now I am afraid <u>sTab</u> will collapse under their weight.

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CORRECTION TO #59 ---- 1968M-A: C. Scholti (out SO4) ((not "res FO4"))

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CHANGES	1967AH-F:	L. Haramis (dro FO6) D. Beyerlein (res WO6) B. Linden
Cheap Beer Warehouse (out FO8) A: R. Tzudiker (out FO8) 1966AH-E: D. Baker (out F10)	G:	D. Bischoff (dro F07) C. von Metzke C. Scholti (res W06) N. McLeod A. Huff (out F07)
#1966AN-A: Anon. (out SO7) #1966AR-E: C. Johnson (dro W11) J. White R: J. Dygert (dro W11) R. Keathley		D. Beyerlein (res SO8) L. St. Cyr G. Long (dro SO8) A. Phillips
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#1966BE-E: R. Ward (dro F11)  M. Childers  F: C. Johnson (out F10)  T: J. Dygert (dro W10)  R. Keathley	• .	M. Zelazny (res W06) L. St. Cyr R. Tzudikor (dro W06) M. Zelazny
1966BM-R: G. Warden (out FO7)	1967AT-E:	R. Tzudiker (out F07)
#1967G-E: J. Jacks (dro SO9) N. Gemignani	1967AU-I:	W. Anderson (dro SO3) R. Walker
F: J. Dygert (dro SO9) R. Keathley A: S. Perrin (dro SO9) M. Childers	-	R. Curran (dro F05) disorder R. Czata (out F05)
1967T-I: B. Turk (res S05) A. Phillips R: D. Baker (dro S05)	•	W. Christian (res F06) disorder D. Baker (out F06)
L. St. Cyr T: C. Wagner (dro FO5) B. Pendergrass	1967BB-R:	A. Huff (dro SO6) L. St. Cyr
1967W-A: J. White (out F10)	1967BC-T:	P. Scroggie (dro SO6) B. Pendergrass
1967Y-F: W. McLinn (out FO9) I: G. Warden (out FO8)  1967AE-F: G. Long (dro SO4)	1968A-E: A:	K. Koalenz (res SO6) D. Beyerlein R. Tzudiker (res WO6)
S. Berschig A: S. Gordon (res FO2) disorder (out FO3) R: Chris Brannan (out FO4)	1968D-T:	J. White D. Reiter (out FO5)

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1968H-F:		Hueston (dro FO5) Phillips	1968AG-R:	K. Porter (dro WO2) B. Payne
1968I-G:	J.	Latimer (out FO5)	1968AK-T:	R. Kemada (out FO3)
1968L-E:		Bischoff (dro FO5) von Metzke	1968AL-R:	F. Lunney (dro SO3) G. Schelz
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1968V-A:	L.	Gemignani (dro WO3) St. Cyr	1968AY-A:	G. Grayson (dro WO3) G. Schelz (out FO3)
1968X-G: I:	$\mathbb{R}_{ullet}$	Latimer (out FO5) Tzudiker (res SO5) Kline	1968BA-T:	G. Long (dro FO2) J. Key
1968Y-F:	$\mathrm{M}$ .	Pendergrass (dro SO5) Sawchuck	1,723	D. Lebling (dro 808) disorder
1968Z-I:	D. C.	Jolly (out FO4)  Beyerlein (dro WO2)  Galliher  Haramis (dro WO2)	I:	E. Birsan (out F06) D. Hetsko (out S05) B. Tretick (res W04) disorder (out F06)
		Daly	1968BK-G:	L. Ritter (dro SO3) disorder
1968AA-F:		Shagrin (res SO2) Mellott	I 2	H. Naus (dro SO3) disorder
	D. A.	Beyerlein (res SO2) Phillips Jacky (res SO4)	A :	C. von Metzke (dro SO3) disorder
1968AB-E:	M. C.	Skinner Reinsel (out FO6)		J. Perkins (out SO5) T. Ahearn (dre FO2) S. Hurlburt
		Pournolle (out FO6)		M. Bird (out FO5)
	D.	Swenson (dro FO4) Cowan Reiter (out FO4)	Ge	R. Keathley (dro FO2) disorder (out FO5)
R:	N.	McLeod (out FO4)		M. Gemignani (out FO4) R. Tzudikor (dro SO3)
1968AD-G:		Koalenz (dro SO3) Deyerlein	II s	G. Schelz
1968AE-A:	Α.	Swenson (out SO3)	1968CC-E:	R. Tzudiker (dro FO3) D. Summer
•	F.	Peck (dro FO3) Lunney Tzudiker (dro FO3) Phillips	1968CD-T:	R. Tzudiker (res SO2) vacant

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1968CH-R: C. Johnson (dro FO5) E. Birsan T: N. McLeod (dro FO5) D. Lindsay	1969L - The Diplomat TD3 - Eric Just, Jr. ((Feb)) E - Sid Cochran F - Norman McLeod
#1968CI-F: K. Morphy (out F06) T: J. Quesnel (out F05)	G - Clay Cowan I - Clif Ollila A - Margaret Gemignani R - Russell Boggs
1968CJ-T: R. Hickson (dro FO1) G. Schelz	T - Rich Rubin
1968CK-R: L. Fong (dro FO3) disorder  1968CL-E: G. Scholz (out FO4)	1969M - Brobdingnag ADA - Eduard Halle ((March)) E - Mike Mellott F - Peter Ansoff G - John J. Seman I - Jeff Power
A: N. McLeod (out FO3) R: H. Manoff (dro SO5) J. Sanders	A - Larry Justus R - Glen Hertz T - Karl V. Wittmann
1968CM-R: L. Windblad (out FO3)	#1969N - Blofescu - Rod Walker
1968CO-A: C. von Metzke(out SO3)  1968CP-A: S. Beecher (res FO1) R. Johnson	((April)) E - Michael Chibders F - Margaret Gemignani A - Robert Keathley R - Gerald White
#1968CR-I: L. Johnson (out FO8) B. Graebner, L. Herry (out FO7)	T - Karl V. Wittmann  19690 - Adag - Hal Naus ((April))
1969C-A: G. Hertz (out FO2)  NEW GAMES	E - Larry Fong F - David Lindsay G - Tom Rosenblum I - Louis Menyhert A - Chuck Carcy R - Scott Berschig T - Norman McLeod
E - Robert Keathley F - Anders Swenson (dro FO4)	1969P - The Voice C - Jeff Key
Charles Turner  A - Margaret Gemignani (out FO4)  R - Bill Haggert  T - W. Gerald White	((April)) E - Stephen Lee F - Pote Wityk G - Bud Stowe I - Gary Jones
1969K - The Diplomat TD2 Eric Just, Jr. ((Jan.)) E - Jim Bradley F - Larry St. Cyr	A - Ed Kelly R - Larry Justus, Jr. T - Rich Purdy
G - Dick Reiter I - Chuck Carey A - Conrad von Metzke R - Sidney M. Witt T - Jack Flemming	1969Q - Lonely Mountain - Charles Wells ((April))  E - Al Scott R - Terry Kuch  F - Dave Johnston  G - Hank Reinhardt  I - John Austin T - John McCallum  A - Rob Perkins

1969W - Costaguana #10 -- Conrad
von Metzke ((March))
E-David May A-Robert Keathley
F-Terry Kuch R-Sid Cochran
G-Norman McLeod T-Peter Ansoff
I-George I. Grayson

My thanks once again to Rod Walker, who provided some of the information above, and all of that below.

R - Conrad von Metzke

T - Terry Kuch

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1969AM - Polaska II BC26 - Dan Evans E - Georgo Grayson F - Pat Young G - Cole Harrison (res SO1) Mark Sawchuck I - Bob Maloney A - Tom Eller R - Bob Komada (res SO1) Bill Quinn T - Buddy Tretick	1969AR - Polaska II BC31 - Dan Evans  E - Ken Borecki F - Edi Birsan G - Larry St. Cyr (res FO1) Larry Fong I - Bob Komada (res SO1) Bill Quinn A - Rich Rubin R - Terry Kuch T - George Grayson
1969AN - Polaska II BC27 - Dan Evans E - Bob Maloney F - Charles Hoch G - Rich Rubin I - Jim Munroe A - Larry St. Cyr R - Tom Eller T - Russell Boggs	1969AS - Polaska II BC32 - Dan Evans  E - Mark Bird F - Dick Reiter G - Charles Hoch I - Ken Borecki A - Chris Tretick R - Jim Munroe T - Tom Wilson
1969AO - Polaska II BC28 - Dan Evans E - Torry Kuch F - Tom Wilcox G - Russell Boggs I - Jim Boskoy A - Conrad von Metzke R - Doug Burko (ros FO1) Larry Fong T - Grog Warden	1969AT - Polaska II BC33 - Dan Evans  E - Pat Young F - George Grayson G - Dick Reiter (dro FO1)     Margaret Gemignani I - Mark Bird A - Bob Komada (res SO1)     Bill Quinn R - George Schelz T - Nerman McLeod
1969AP - Polaska II BC29 - Dan Evans  E - Jim Boskey F - Geerge Schelz G - Terry Kuch I - Pat Yeung A - Conrad von Metzke (@ro FO1) Larry Fong R - Buddy Tretick T - Mark Bird	1969AU - Polaska II BC34 - Dan Evans E - Bob Komada (res SO1) Bill Quinn F - Larry St. Cyr G - George Schelz I - Chris Tretick A - Bob Malaney R - ((Help, Rod)) T - Jim Boskcy
1969AQ - Polaska II BC30 - Dan Evans  E - Rich Rubin F - Tom Eller G - Jim Munroc I - Tom Wilson A - Norman McLeod R - Dick Roiter T - Bob Maloney (res FO1) Larry Fong	T - Jim Boskcy  1966AV - Polaska II BC35 - Dan  Evans  E - Jim Munroe  F - Chris Tretick  G - George Grayson  I - George Schelz  A - Edi Birsan  R - Pat Young  T - Rich Rubin

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1969AW - Polaska II BC36 - Dan
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                                       F - John Koning
roster for this game will appear
                                       G - Mike Childers
next issue.
                                       I - Charles Wells
                                       A - Chuck Carey
                                       R - Banks Mebane
                                       T - Rod Walker
RECENTLY (?) COMPLETED GAMES -
1965K - Wild 'n Wooly 1965KQ-- Charles Grannan
E - Robert Ward (out SO8)
                                         I - Charles Reinsel (out FO8)
F - Charles Wells (out F13)
                                        A - Anders Swenson
G - "Eutiquio Jose Rovillagigodo"
                                        R - Derek Nelson (won F13)
    (or.. Conrad von Metzke)
                                        T - Jerry Pournelle
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1966Y - Lonely Mountain - Charles Wells
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E - John Koning (out FO6)
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F - Hank Reinhardt (out F10)
                                       I - James Dygert
G - W. C. Adams (res FO5)
                                       A - Charles Brannan
    John Smythe (dro F11)
                                       R - Al Scott
    Robert Johnson
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1966AE - Costaguana #7 - Conrad von Metzke (res SO1)
          Adag #7
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E - Clyde Johnson (dro SO3)
                                       I - Louis Curtiss (out FO8)
                                       A - James Latimer (dro FO8)
    Greg Long (res SO8)
    Doug Baker (out FO8)
                                            disorder (out FO9)
                                       R - Margaret Gemignani
F - Wayne Gibbs (drc SO8)
    Roland Tzudiker
                                       T - John Smytho (won F13)
G - Gail Schow (out FO5)
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1966AE - continued										
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Congratulations to John on his <u>fifth</u> win!										
1966A0 - Erehwon rE1 - Rod Walker										
E - Edi Birsan (drew F13)* F - Larry Peery (drew F13)* G - Chuck Carey (drew F13) I - Frank Musbach (out F06)	A - Brian Bailey (out FO5) R - Jack Longbine (out FO3) T - Clif Ollila (drew F13)									
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1966AZ - <u>Diplophobia</u> PJC - Don Mi	llor									
E - David Francis (dro FO8) George Schelz	I - John Smythe (dro WO4) John Koning									
F - Dave Lebling (won F10) G - Michael Vaught (dro F02) James Latimor (out F09)	A - Alan Huff (out SO9) R - James Munroe T - Richard Bryant									
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1966BI - Erchwon rE8 - Rod Walker										
E - Charles Carey	A - Ken Fletcher									
F - Thomas Eller (won F10) G - Greg Long (out F06)	R - Mike Santos (dro SO5)  James Latimer (dro WO6)									
I - Charles Alexander (dro SO3) Edi Birsan (out FO6)	Anders Swenson (out FO8) T - Larry Peery									

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E - Bill Haggort (dro SO3)
                                       I - Charles Alexander (dre FO1)
    Edi Birsan (out F06)
                                            Bud Pendergrass (drew F10)
F - Dan Barrows (drew F10)
                                       A - Douglas Beyorloin (out FO4)
                                       R - Roland Tzudiker (out S10)
G - Louis Gallo (dro FO4)
    Mike Melby (out FO6)
                                       T - Terry Benn (dro FO3)
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1967AT - Armageddonia-7 - Charles Turner (res FO5)
                           - John McCallum
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E - Roland Tzudiker (out FO7)
                                       A - John Koning
F - Jack Greene
                                       R - Bob Kinney (won FO7)
G - Hal Naus
                                       T - Charles Reinsel
I - Stephen Gordon (res WO3)
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1967AY - Armageddonia 8 - Charles Turner (res WO4)
          Aceldama
                         - John McCallum ... Cancelled after 1906
E - Clive Harris ((James Dygert))
                                                  by GM due to player
F - Sgt. Mike Celestre
                                                  disinterest. Delete
G - Gail Schow /
                                                  from rating lists.
I - Larry Poory (res SO5)
    Charles Welsh
                                       R - Greg Long
A - Steve Powlosland
                                       T - Rod Walker
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1967BA - Acolus - Monte Zelazny
E - John Austin (out FO8)
                                          A - Tom Griffin (out FO3)
F - Charles Reinsel (wen F10)
                                          R - Charles Wells (out F10)
G - Terry Kuch (out SO7)
I - Paul Leitch
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#1967BD - The Diplomat - Eric Just ((November))
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E - Jack Flomming
                                          I - Bruce Cecil (out FO5)
F - J. Hawkins (dro ?)*
Rovert V. Føster (out FO8)
                                          A - Joff W. Key (won SO9)**
                                          R - Eric W. Just
G - T.J. Bradley
                                          T - D. Montgomery (cut FO4)
*prior to FO4)
                    **unit annihilation gave Key a 17/33 majority.
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                                          A - John McCallum (out FO3)
E - James Latimer (out FO9)
F - Charles Carey (out FO9)
                                          R - Eugene Presnitz (wen S10)*
G - John Koning
                                          T - Sid Cochran, Jr. (out F06)
I - Robert Lake
*A German annihilation in Spring 1910 gave Russia a 17/33 majority.
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- 1) What is it a list of? (Hint: neither cranges, beers, nor those apprehended in Nation Eity is correct.)
- 2) Which one doesn't belong on the list, and why?
- 3) Some of these can reasonably be paired ... which? And how?
- 4) Associate a proper noun with each.

All entriest must be in by Friday, 25 July 1969.

My thanks to Mehran Thomson, whose contest this really is.

"Conclusion" 4 July 1969 ENGLAND (out FO8) RUSSIA - Larry Pecry ITALY (out FO3) Roland Tzudikor (won F10) TURKEY

Dick Schultz (dro WO2) FRANCE GERMANY (out F10) John McCallum AUSTRIA (out FO5)

1967Rt - John Koning, gm.

Team Scores:

ANALYSIS Game III started in <u>sTab</u> #30, 22 April 1967, one of two such games using a line-up suggested by Derek Nelson (the other was <u>sTab</u> #IV - 1967St). It originally featured two players who went back to the beginnings of postal diplomacy -- Dick Schultz and Jock Root. Root, however, had to bew out before the game began, to be replaced by Roland Tzudiker.

From the first an alliance was apparent between Russia and the peripheral powers, England, Italy and Turkey. At the same time, it was apparent that Schultz, with the large number of common borders between France, Germany and Austria, had the better position. His showing in 1901 was very strong, and his position was improved when Tzudiker missed a "Fall 1901" retreat without making a compen-

sating build, leaving Italy short one in 1902.

Schultz launched a strong attack into Italy from France, with heavy support from Austria. This seen overwhelmed Italy, isolated from its allies, and it went under in 1903. Schultz also threw France and Germany against England, successfully containing that country for several years (and, eventually, everrunning it). Turkey, however, in cooperation with Pecry's Russia, made mincement of the Austrian front, reducing that country ever a period of five years to nothing. It was seen obvious, hewever, that even the immediate alliance of Russia with England, Italy, and Turkey was hard put to contain the central powers. A delay of any length would have been fatal.

After making good headway against his enemies, Schultz fell into one of his periodic lapses, and in Winter 1902 John McCallum took over the central powers. McCallum was at this time playing a position identical to Tzudiker's in sTab IV, where Derek Nelson was the central powers and John Smythe was Russia. (In that game, things proceeded even better for the central powers, with Smythe and McCallum conceding to Nelson after three years.)

The extra power of the Tzudiker-Peery alliance, however, began to takes in toll in 1903 as the central powers were stoadily forced backward. In 1903 Peery began to take centers off of his ally

as well, apparently giving him the alternative of facing an alliance of the central powers and Russia. This is, of course, the way a lone power must play it, and by the end of 1903 Peery was almost as big as one of the triumverates. By 1905 he was as big as either, and by 1906 he was the largest power on the beard.

Tzudiker, however, did not choose to cooperate with McCallum until late in the game, when he had few pieces and they were badly deployed for an attack on Russia, and even then he alternated move missing with attacks on the central powers. Even when Russia was slightly bigger than both his enemies combined it might have been possible to stop Peery... if for no other reason than that the alliance, with its much larger number of home centers, had much greater mobility since it could build almost anywhere. This, however, would have required a well coordinated plan of attack, and while McCallum was doubtlessly capable of originating such a plan Tzudiker was apparently unable to follow it.

Laurals go to Larry Peery, of course, for a victory that was both tactical and strongly diplomatic in origin... and for his press releases as well. The last one follows below (though it was not written as a "closing statement."). -- jk

RALSTONSTADT (24 December 1910) The University of St. Peerigrad's Ryerson Cellege campus was quiet tenight, Christmas eve, with most students gone home for the holidays. The levely neo-Gothic campus had an especially levely look about it this evening. The quietly falling while snew covered most buildings and the many levely trees and shrubs of the campus. The only sound in the quiet night was the carillon of the bell tower playing Christmas carels. Even the administration building looked levely as it had been decerated with wreaths of greenebeans, blueberries and orange pips.

ST. PEERIGRAD (24 December 1910) Snow was falling in the Empire's capital as well tonight. The huge metropolis had an almost rural look about it as snow covered nearly everything. The Imperial Palace blazed in yellow, white, and amber lights in preparation for next year's celebration. The Reyal Family was reportedly spanding the holidays at their winter retreat at Imperial Beach.

YOUNGSTOWN (24 December 1910) Although still occupied by Russian forces Youngstewn had a normal Christmas eve tenight. Russian soldiers, stationed in Hinkle Park, were singing Christmas carels to the local natives who gathered to listen. Meanwhile the Ohio State University Pussycats were practicing for their New Year's Day game with the Ohio Insistute of Technology. The game is the third and possibly last in the long series of Ohio New Year's Day Football classics, the Toilet Bowl Game.

JERUSALEM (24 December 1910) Here in the Holy City Christmas was sad as pilgrims made the trok to the former site of the birth of Christ, now removed to St. Peerigrad.

NEW YORK (24 December 1910) The world's largest city was quiet tonight as a giant snew sterm covered the city with snew. Even Times Square was deserted as the huge electric sign of the Times Building read: "Peace on Earth becase Peery rules it..."

### THE STRANGE AND MYSTERIOUS CASE OF THE DISAPPEARING ORANGES

### A SERGEANT McCALLUM ADVENTURE -- No. 17

EDMONTON (2 March 1969) Canadian Reval Mounted Folice headquarters here today revealed the hijacking of the Vancouver-Terento Express passenger-freight train of the Canadian National Railway system last evening. The daily express, The Canadian Arrow, is considered Canada's most prestigeous adventure in modern communication. The high-speed express (up to 140 mph) train makes the trip from Vancouver to Terento in less that 50 hours and provides the utmest in passenger comfort and safety. News of the hi-jacking took authorities completely by surprise and a total press blackout was imposed once the 'hijacking had been announced.

CROWSHEST PASS (3 March 1969) Canadian Royal Mounties revealed from their temperary headquarters near here at Coleman that the missing Canadian Arrow had last been spetted ascending the 4,450 feet Crowshest Pass early last evening. Mountie sources refused to comment further except to say that a complete network of surveillance had been established throughout the entire area. All reads in the area have been scaled off, local railroad tracks have been placed under observation, and spetter planes have been ordered into the air to find the missing train.

VANCOUVER (3 March 1969) Canadian National Railways announced today from their offices here that 245 people had been aboard the hijacked Canadian Arrow, including the Governor-General of Canada, Sir Ian McCandlish. McCandlish's presence on the hijacked train gives authorities their first real clue to the disappearance of the train. McCandlish, long known for his opposition to the irrendentist policies of the Albertan Agrarian Party, had been the target of recent threats by extremist elements among the nationalistic Albertan population. Also among the train's passengers were: David Francis, tour director for the western division of CNG; Lord Dinwitte, British ambassador to Canada; and Sir Lionel Joffries, Chancellor of the Dominions.

EDI ONTON (3 March 1969) Canadian Reyal Mountie authorities here today announced the appointment of Canada's most famous super-sleuth, retired sergeant of the Mounties. John McCallum, to head the investigation into the hijacking of the Canadian Arrow. McCallum, who helds the O.B.E. and K.C., was director of the Mountie's Special Activities Section (3AS-9) from 1952 through 1963, when he reitred. Since then McCallum has handled several special cases for the Government, including the Case of the Disappearing Premier, the bembings several years age of Canadian mailboxes,

and the kidnapping of a Vanceuver telephone operator by two college students last month (the Jenes-McCandlish Affair). McCallum's entrance into the case indicates the police are completely baffled by the disappearance of the Arrow, and have no clues for finding it.

RALSTON (3 March 1969) Contacted at his retirement home here, super-slouth John McCallum today told reporters he had been following the disappearance of the Canadian Arrow closely. McCallum said, "The Arrow usually drops off my mail every week and I noted that on the merning of the 2nd my mail had not been delivered. In addition to my copies of Ebony, The Wall Street Journal, Playboy, and Graustark I had not received my monthly possion check. Naturally I was concerned and checking with the local stationmaster I discovered the train had not passed by at all. The alort followed.

"Frankly I do think the Mounties have been sniffing up the wrong tree. I den't think McCandlish was the target of the hijacking at all. There was semething much more important aboard that train than McCandlish. I'm surprised authorities haven't revealed it yet."

OTTOWA (4 March 1969) Following an emergency cabinet session, Premier Pierro Lake today revealed that the hijacked Canadian Arrow had been carrying in several scaled boxcars some 100,000 crates of California cranges purchased from the United States Orange Energy Commission. The cranges were destined for the Suffield Experimental Station where experiments into the nature of crange power have been carried out for some menths. Canadian physicist Derek Nelson, developer of the pea-bomb, the mushroom gash, the cauliflower virus, had been supervising the tests. The disappearance of the cranges consistutes the gravest national emergency since the fruit represents enough destructive power to wipe out most of Canada.

WASHINGTON D.C. (4 March 1969) Junior Senator from California,

Jack Greene, Jr., today rose from
the floor of the Senate (where he had been sleeping since last Friday's beer-bust in the cleakroom) to attack the Administration's
policy of solling oranges, even to a friendly state. Defense Secretary James Dygert lashed out at Greene from the Pentagon, calling
him yellow and afraid of the real power of oranges in world affairs.
Mrs. Godfrey Cambridge, widew of the former Congressman from Georgia,
announced she would lead a picketing of the White House by the American League for the Establishment of a Blueberry Seciety. President
"Tricky Norm" McLeed, camping at Camp Runamuch, was unavailable for
comment.

SKOOKUMCHUCK (5 March 1969) Royal Mounties announced here today that they had recovered hundreds of crates used to held oranges from the hijacked Canadian Arrow. The crates were found dumped down an abandoned mine shaft near here. Significantly, the shaft was located in the wild terrain of the Hughes Range, indicating the hijackers had an intimate knowledge of the local terrain. No clues to the location of the train or its passengers have been found.

SACRAMENTO (6 March 1969) California Governor Rob Perkins, back from a fund-raising trip in Watts, announced that the California Citrus Commission's chairman, Conrad von Metzke of Coment City, had been suspended pending the out-come of the Governor's Blue-Ribben investigating commission's report of the sale of oranges to Canada. Chairman of the commission, Dorothy Chandler, told the Los Angeles Times she was opposed to the Governor's naming of a blue-ribben commission and declared she would insist its colors be changed to greene and blue paisley.

PRIDDIS (7 March 1969) The first big broak in the hijacking of the Canadian Arrow came today when Mounties announced the discovery of the train's cabeese abandened here at the Turner Oil Fields. After inspecting the cabeese John McCallum's only comment was, "Very interesting, but stupid!" McCallum was seen to be rolling several crange seeds in his right hand as he left the train. Reporters noted that McCallum was shewing signs of the strain of the investigation. His normally limp walk had given way to a saunter. His normally natty dress of Irish tweed had been replaced by leather jacket and mountain beets. Obviously, McCallum was supersleuthing.

VANCOUVER (8 March 1969) Premier Pierre Lake arrived here this merning by airplane to begin an en-the-spet investigation into the disappearance of the Canadian Arrow. Lake's arrival came following his marrow victory in a vote of no-confidence in Parliament yesterday. Lake's Progressively Dependent Socialists defeated the Independent Cenfusion Party's bid to over-turn the Government on a 154-123 vote.

WHISKY GAP (8 March 1969) Local press agents neted that John McCallum was here this merning to pick up his usually large menthly order of Canadian whisky. However, McCallum had nothing to say about rumers that he had switched from using crange mixers to lime following the Premier's banning of the sale of cranges in Canada.

PERRYVALE (9 March 1969) The missing Canadian Arrow train was found here this merning abandened on an off-the-main-track siding of the Edmonten-Athabasca route. The train, minus its caboose, was found by Smokey Lake, noted game hunter, who was searching the area for an escaped convict from the Albertan Previncial Prison, Billie Scul Kening, who make a fortune as a wheeler-dealer in Ottawa, selling blueberry storage vat space that didn't exist to blueberry growers is Grossest Point. John McCallum, flown to the town aboard the Premier's own DH-12 Goeneybird, searched the train and then commented only to reporters, "Very interesting, but stupid!" McCallum then disappeared from view in the Goeneybird. The train revealed no clues to the location of the crow, passengers, or the missing granges.

RALSTON (10 March 1969) Famed John McCallum has done it again; He has solved the disappearance of the Canadian Arrow. Today at his retreat here McCallum told reporters

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the case was solved, that the passengers would be found safe and sound in the small town of Blaeberry. Reporters, Mountie authorities, and tousands of local militiamen rused to the town 4- and sure enough -- finding the missing passengers.

BIAEBERRY (10 March 1969) In an interview here Canadian Governor—General Sir Ian McCandlish revealed today that the Canadian Arrow had not been hijacked at all but had departed from its normal route at the request of the passengers who decided to make a step in Blaeberry and sample its famous fruit. As all Canadians know, the blaeberry is considered the perfect fruit since it has no seeds or pits, no therms, no pools, or anything else to detract from its simple beauty and excellent taste. Blaeberries, except for their rarity, would probably be the most popular fruit in the world.

When asked what had become of the thousands of crates of oranges McCandlish told reporters, "After sampling the local fruits we decided the existence of cranges was a travesty and an effense and against the gods, so we burned what few remained. Of course, most of them were used as fuel for the train on the trip here. In fact, if you look closely you can see the orange pale floating over most of the Canadian Rockies, the results of burning thousands of cranges. However, perhaps this burning of cranges will make people realize their deadly nature and instead turn everyone to the blackerry, which is a truely levely fruit."

Reporters also asked McCandlish how the 245 passengers and 30 crew members get along in the small town, which lacked facilities for so many visitors. "Oh, it wasn't bad. Of course, with 275 people trying to share the one public restreem it get a little crowded but as long as there were enough fruits to go around no one minded. Actually, it was a unique experience in tegetherness, if you know what I mean."

Finally, reperters asked David Francis, tour director of CNR, how he felt about the whole thing. "Well, of course the place will never be the attraction Las Vogas is, or the Gold Coast, or National City, or East 58th Street, or Times Square, but it does have possibilities. It seems a shame to lot all that fruit go to waste. Maybe we can get Dol Monte or Heward Hughes to open a cannery and commercialize the crop."

RALSTON (11 March 1969) Reperters today contacted John McCallum for his final observations about the Case of the Disappearing Canadian Arrow. McCallum silently pointed out a large neon sign recently constructed near his house that states: "THE TRAIN DOESN8T STOP HERE ANY MORE." Then, as he disappeared among the orange trees surrounding his house, reporters heard him say in a husky voice, "Very interesting, but stupid."

((Trust Peery to side-stop me. I banish cranges from the lettercel-umn, but they crop up in the press releases.))

sTab #V "Fall, Winter 1907" 4 July 1969

NOTE: moves in all sTab games were circulated by ditteed letter, so two seasons' moves appear in each game.

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### Fall 1907

HAL NAUS

F Nat-Nwg: F Edi (3) F Nat-Nwg: F Lyon (3) FRENCH ENGLAND:

F WMcd-Tyrr

F WMed-Tyrr; A Mar-Pie; A Mun-held; A Ruh-Hel; A Bel (S) A Ruh-Hel; F Len-Nth FRANCE:

### DEREK NELSON

F Tyrr-Tun; F Pic-Tus; A Tyr-Pic ITALY: F Gre-Bul(sc); A Tri-Ser; A Vig-Tyr AUSTRIA:

### JOHN SMYTHE

RUSSIA:

F Acg-Gre; A Ser (S) F Acg-Gre; A Bul (S) F Acg-Gre; A Rum-Bud; A Gal-Vie; A Beh (S) A Gal-Vie; A Ber-Mun; A Sil (3) A Ber-Mun; A Kie-Ruh; F Hel (S) A Nwy-Bel; F Nth (C) A Nwy-Bel; A Nwy-Bel; F Den (S) F Nth;

F Nwg-Nat

<u>Underlined</u> moves do not succoed. The Russian Fleet Norwegian Sea retreats to Clyde. The Austrian Army Vienna is annihilated. The Austrian Floet Greece retreats to the Ionian Sea. The French Army Munich retreats to Burgundy.

### BUILDS:

Zøn, Lvp, Edi ((2)) Remove ONE ENGLAND: Tetal 11

Par, Bre, Mar, Per, Spa, Bel, Møl, Len
Ank, Smy ((2)) No change
Ven, Rem, Nap, Tun ((4)) Build ONE
Vid, Tri, Øør, Ørø ((1)) Remove ONE FRANCE: ((7)) Build ONE

TURKEY:

Total 5

AUSTRIA:

StP, War, Mos, Sev, Rum, Swe, Nwy, Den, Ber, Kie, Bud, Mun, Bul, Con, Hel, Vie, Ser, Gre ((18)) Build FOUR RUSSTA .

((Readers and players alike are reminded that sTab three-man games require 23 centers for victory.))

### Winter 1907

#### HAL NAUS

ENGLAND: Remove Fleet Norwegian Sea

Build Fleet Rome FRANCE:

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#### DEREK NELSON

Build Army Romo ITALY: AUSTRIA: Remove Army Trieste

#### JOHN SMYTHE

Build Army Warsaw, Army Moscow, Floot Sevastapel, and RUSSIA:

Flect St. Petersburg (nc)

# TRANTOR

#89/SVG #89 "Winter 1915, Spring 1916, Game III"

4 July 1969

ALLIANCE NET GROWS TIGHTER

IT'S STICK-IT-TO-ME TIME!:

ENGLAND: Build Army London (Pournelle)

ITALY: 1

Build Army Rome

ISLE OF SAPHOS The local feminist mevements are growing ever more agitated.

VIENNA A call is being heard throughout the land, "stick it to the pizza throwers." Being a democratic regime, the Austrian Government has no choice but to commit these forces necessary for "sticking it to the pizza throwers," even should such a course of action permit an English victory.

### Spring 1916

I T A L I A N S T A K E G R E E C E, L O S E T R I E S T E

MEDITERRANEAN BLOODIED BY BATTLE

ENGLAND: A Lon-Den; F Nth (C) A Lon-Den; F Den-Bal; A Hol (S) (Pournelle) GERMAN A Kio; A Bur-Mun; A Ruh (S) A Bur-Mun; F Both-Lvn; A StP (S) F Beth-Lvn; F Nwy (S) A StP; F WMod-hold

GERMANY: No move received. A Kie-stand (Latimer)

ITALY: F Ion-Gro; F Alb (S) F Ion-Gro; A Sor (S) F Ion-Gro; (Clark) A Von-Tyr; A Rom-Von; F Adr (S) A Tri; F Apu (S) F Nap-Ion; F Nap-Ion

AUST IA: F Gre-Bul(sc); F EMed-Ion; F Aeg-Bul(sc); A Bud (S)
(Smythe) A Tyr-Tri; A Vie (S) A Tyr-Tri; A Tyr-Tri; A Gel (S)
A Bud; A Mun (S) A Ber; A Ber (S) A Mun; A Pru (S) A Ber;
A Sil (3) A Mun; A Lvn (S) A Pru; A Mes (S) A Lvn

<u>Underlined maves do not succeed.</u> The Austrian Floot Greece and the Italian Army Trieste are annihilated.

DEADLINE FOR "FALL 1916" ORDERS IS FRIDAY, 25 JULY 1969

ISLE OF SAPHOS The local feminist movements are making a remarkable turnabout in those parts.

### "Spring & Fall 1907, Game IV"

### ITALIANS CAUGHT BEHIND ENGLISH LINES GERMANS RETAKE MUNICH

NOTE: The German Army reported to be in Munich last issue is actually in Moscow.

ENGLAND: A StP (3) GERMAN A Mos; A Lvp-Cly; F Nwg (S) A Lvp-Cly; (Beyorlein) F Nth-Edi; F Nat-Mid; F Eng (S) F Nat-Mid

GERMANY: A Mos-hold; A Kie-Mun; A Ruh (S) A Kie-Mun; A Ber (S) (Smythe) A Kie-Mun; A Par-Bur; A Gas (S) A Par-Bur; F Pic-Bel; F Den-Bal

ITALY: F Mid-hold; F Spa(sc) (S) F Mid; A Mar-Bur; A Tyr-Pie; (Presnitz) F Rem-Tyrr; F Ien-held; A Cly-Edi

AUSTRIA: A Mun-hold; A Sil (S) A Gal-War; A Gal-War; A Bud (S) (White) A Sor; A Ser (S) F Gre-hold

RUSSIA: A War-hold (Ward)

TURKEY: A Sev (S) A Rum-Ukr; A Rum-Ukr; A Cen-Rum; F Bla (C) (Kuch) A Cen-Rum; F Bul(sc) (S) F Acg; F Aeg (S) F Bul(sc)

<u>Underlined</u> neves do not succeed. The Italian Army Clyde is annihilated. The Austrian Army Munich retreats to Bohemia. The Russian Army Warsaw, receiving no retreat order, is destroyed.

ORKNEY AND OTHER COLD SCOTTISH PLACES The British Home Guard today arrived in Scotland to seek out and destroy the hordes of Italian tourists that were tearing up the countryside in search of blueberries. After a bath in the Fifth of Forth (for merale) the Home Guards reported that they could not find any traces of the Italian teurists. The only clue was a large number of crushed little green blocks splattered with blueberry stains spread throughout the landscape. "Weird," stated Major Allan K. Olmes of the Home Guard.

KIEL (HEADQUARTERS OF THE GERMAN IMPERIAL STAFF) On May 7th the Imperial Army

launched a major effensive along the Bavarian Sector. Elements of three armies, nearly one million men, are being committed to securing the State of Bavaria and its capitel Munich. Earle reports from the sector indicate that though the enemy was not taken by surprise significant progress has been made. The Fifth Army reports that several thousand of the enemy have been taken prisoner and many more killed.

In France the First Army has finally succeeded in everwhelming strong enemy resistance in Burgundy. The Italian XXXIV Øerps of Infantry and the Nineteenth Cavalry Division are assumed to be destroyed. Nearly 35,000 prisoners have been taken along with ever 200 guns and thousands of tens of supplies. Already preparations

are being made for a major offensive against the Italian fortress of Marseilles. It is heped by many that by the end of 1907 the last Italian will be driven out of France.

WARSAW How in hell have we managed to stay alive this long? How much longer can it go on?

CONSTANTINOPLE The press release below is true.

CONSTANTINCPLE The press release above is false.

### Fall 1907

AUSTRO-TURKISH ENTENTE SACKS MOSCOW

GERMANY RECLAIMS ALL HOMELAND

ENGLAND: A Cly-Nwy; F Nwg (C) A Cly-Nwy; F Nth-Eng; A StP (S) (Boyorloin) GERMAN A Moscow; F Nat-Mid; F Eng-Iri

GERMANY: F Bol-Pic; F Bal-Bru; A Ber-Sil; A Nun (S) A Ber-Sil; (Smythe) A Ruh (S) A Mun; A Bur-Mar; A Gas-Spa

ITALY: F Ion-hold; F Tyrr-WMed; A Mar-hold; A Pie (S) A Mar; (Presnitz) F Mid-hold; F Spa(sc) (S) F Mid

AUSTRIA: A Beh-Tyr; A Sil (S) A War; A Bud-held; F Gre-held; (White) A War (S) TURKISH A Sev-Mes; A Ser (S) E Gre

TURKEY: A Sev-Mos; A Ukr (S) A Sev-Mos; A Rum (S) F Bul(sc); (Kuch) F Bla (S) A Rum; F Bul(sc) (S) F Aeg; F Aeg (S) F Bul(sc)

Underlined moves do not succeed. The German Army Mescow is retreated to Livenia. The Austrian Army Silesia may retreat to either Galicia or Behemia. This retreat should accompany the "Winter 1907" moves, which may be made conditional upon it. As there is only one winter build, players may, if they wish, submit their "Spring 1908" orders at the next deadline (making them conditional upon either the Turkish build, the Austrian retreat, or both). If everyone submits his Spring orders, they will be printed in sTab 64... if not, then in sTab 65.

DEADLINE FOR "WINTER 1907" ORDERS IS FRIDAY, 25 JULY 1969

### BUILDS:

ENGLAND: Lon, Lvp, Edi, Nwy, StP, Swe ((6)) Ne change GERMANY: Ber, Kie, Hel, Bel, Par, Brc, Møø, Den, Mun ((8)) Ne change ITALY: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Mar, Per, Spa ((7)) Ne change AUSTRIA: Vie, Bud, Tri, Ser, Gre, Møø, War ((6)) Ne change RUSSIA: Wøø ((OUT)) Ne change TURKEY: Ank, Cen, Smy, Sev, Bul, Rum, Mos ((7)) Build ONE

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### AUSTRIA AWAKENS TO TAKE TRIESTE

### ENGLISH ENCIRCLE FRANCE

ENGLAND: F Mid-WMed; A Bro-Par; F Eng-Mid; A Pic (S) A Bro-Par; (Themson) F Nth-Nwy

FRANCE: A Spa-Por; A Mar-hold; F Gas-Spa(nc); A Par-Bur (Naus)

GERMANY: F Kie-Bal; F Den (S) F Kie-Bal; A Ber-Pru; A Mun-Sil; (Beyerlein) A Bur-Gas

ITALY: A Beh-Tyr; A Pie-Ven; F Ien-stand; F Tun (S) F Ien (Greene)

AUSTRIA: A Ser-Tri; A Vic (S) A Ser-Tri; A Bud (S) A Ser-Tri (Cechran) A Rum (S) A Bud ((ne such piece; A-H A Rum annihilated in Fall 1903))

RUSSIA: F Nwy (S) F Swe; F Swc (S) F Nwy; A Gal-Bud; A Rum (S) (Nelson) A Gal-Bud; A Ukr-Gal; A Mos-hold; F Bla (S) A Rum

TURKEY: A Bul-Ser; A Gre (S) A Bul-Ser; A Con-Bul; F EMed-Ion; (Clark) F Acg (S) F EMed-Ion; F Tri-Ven

Underlined moves do not succood. The Turkish Fleet Trieste retreats to the Adriatic. The Austrian Army Budapest is annihilated.

ROME The Italian Government would like to sue for peace and will accept any and I mean any terms. Duca Greene has fled to Switzerland and the Poery Party is triumphant everywhere in Italy.

ISLE OF SAPHOS The local feminist mevements will reach a climax seen, it is rumoured.
Fall 1904

### RUSSIANS EVICTED FROM SWEDEN TURKEY TAKES TRIESTE, IONIAN

ENGLAND: F Nth-Nwy; A Pic-Bel; A Par-Bur; F WMed-Spa(sc); F Mid (S) (Themsen) F WMed-Spa(sc)

FRANCE: A Bur-Mun; A Mar (S) F Spa(nc)-Gas; F Spa(nc)-Gas; (Naus) A Por-Spa

GERMANY: F Den-Swe; F Bal (S) F Den-Swe; A Sil-War; A Pru (S) (Beyerlein) A Sil-War; A Gas-Mar

A Tyr-Ven; A Pie (S) GERMAN A Gas-Mar; F Ien-EMed; ITALY: (Greene) F Tun-Ion

No move received. A's Vie, Tri-stand AUSTRIA: (Cochran)

F Swe (S) F Nwy; F Nwy (S) F Swe; A Gal-War; A Mes (S) A Gal-War; A Rum (S) A Bud; A Bud (S) TURKISH A Ser-Tri; RUSSIA: (Nelson) F Bla-Ank

F Adr (S) A Ser-Tri; A Ser-Tri; A Gre-hold; A Bul-Ser; TURKEY: F Acg (S) F EMcd-Ion; F EMcd-Ion (Clark)

Underlined moves do not succeed. The Austrian Army Trieste is annihilated, as is the French Army Marseilles. The Russian Fleet Sweden retreats to Bethnia. The Italian Fleet Ienian may retreat either Naples, Apulia, the Tyrrhenian Sea, or off the beard. This retreat should be submitted with the "Winter 1904" moves, which may be made cenditional upon its direction.

DEADLINE FOR "WINTER 1904" ORDERS IS FRIDAY, 25 JULY 1969

### BUILDS:

ENGLAND: Lon, Lvp, Edi, Bel, Bre, Spa ((6)) Build ONE
FRANCE: Par, Mar, Por, Spa, Mun ((3)) No change
GERMANY: Ber, Man, Kie, Hel, Don, Swo, Mar ((6)) Build ONE
ITALY: Rom, Ven, Nap, Tun ((4)) No change
AUSTRIA: Vie, Bad, Sar ((1)) No change
RUSSIA: Mes, War, StP, Sev, Rum, Swe, Nwy, Bud, Ank ((8)) Build 1
TURKEY: Con, Ank, Smy, Bul, Gre, Tri, Sor ((6)) No change

CHANGED ADDRESS:

Derck Nelsen 18 Granards Blvd. 

The local feminist movements, after reaching a quick ISLE OF SAPHOS and unexpected climax, have been evertaken by an unusual lethargy.

Elements of the Peoples Anti-Peory Revelutionary Army ontorod this city earlier today as all of Italy north of Rome is in revelt. The cause of this uprising was traced to the latest Pecry decrees on marriage, returning land to the landlerds, and similar reactionary programs. The only real elements supporting Pecry are the landlerds, the Air Force, and certain members of the Mass Modias.

MILAN This city was in grave disorder tenight upon news that Poory had asked the national enemy, Turkey, to intervene. Humbert I who has fled to Turin and new supports the Revolutionary Armies, has asked for support from the western powers.

Spring 1904, Game L' 4 July 1969 Game 1968AE "Fall & Winter 1903.

When preparing the "Fall 1903", pves fpr sTab 62, I neglected to note a slight move revision by Red Walker. This changes the situation around the Balkans semewhat, though not the number of builds. The revised meves for the relevant countries appear below, and the revised supply center chart, followed by the "Winter 1903" builds.

### Revised Fall 1903

ITALY: A Tyr-hold; A Bud (S) A Gal-Rum; A Gal-Rum; A Ser (S) (Francis)  $\Lambda$  Gre-Bul; A Gre-Bul; F Ion-Aeg; F EMod (S) F Ion-Aeg

A Rum-Ser; F Ska-Nth; F Nwy (S) F Ska-Nth; A Mes-StP; RUSSIA: A War-Gal; A Bul (S) F Ank-Con; F Ank; Con; F Smy (S) (Walker) F Ank-Con

TURKEY: No moves received. F Aeg, A Con-stand (Tzudikor)

Underlined moves do not succeed. The Turkish Army Constantinople and Floot Aegean are still annihilated, and the Russian Army Rumania must still retreat, but Russia retains Bulgaria and the Army there, and the supply center count is as below:

ENGLAND:

FRANCE:

GERMANY:

Zøn, Løn, Edi, Wwy ((1)) No change
Par, Bro, Mar, Spa, Por, Bol, Lvp, Lon ((8)) Build TWO
Bor, Mun, Kio, Don, Hel, Swe ((6)) No change
Rom, Von, Nap, Tun, Tri, Vie, Bud, Sor, Rum, Gro ((10)) ITALY:

Build THREE

AUSTRIA: \$\doldsymbol{\psi} \text{(OUT)) StP, Mes, War, Sev, Ran, Ank, Bul, Smy, Nwy, Con ((9)) RUSSIA:

Build ONE

TURKEY: Øth, Øth ((OUT))

### Winter 1903

FRANCE: Build Army Paris, Floot Marseilles (Halle)

ITALY: Build Army Venice, Army Reme, Fleet Naples (Francis)

RUSSIA: Army Rumania retreats to Ukraine (Walker) Build Army Sevastapel

GRODNO (12 November 1903) The Imporial Horror Weapons Institute today closed its doors under heavy armed guard. Nobody, even representatives of the Interior Ministry, is being admitted.

BERGAMO, ITALY (13 November 1903)(Gronksnort Press) Herrified refugees pouring into this city in the feethills of the Alps report that the city of Milan is no more! At 8:00 a.m. this morning, the city was obliterated by the fall of a 500-megaten sparrow. Said His Holiness the Pope, from His refuge in Florence, "I'll bet God noticed that one."

ROUEN, FRANCE (14 Nevember 1903)(G.P.) The inhabitants of this city on the Seine neticed teday that the river was unusually polluted. On sampling the water they discovered that it was filled with debris, flotsam, jotsem, and other junk, fermerly called "Paris." Later, refugees from partially destroyed Versailles confirmed the obliteration of the capital of France, crushed by a giant pomogranate, over a mile in diameter. The entire countryside for miles around is stained a bright, vivid red.

HALLE, GERMANY (15 Nevember 1903)(G.P.) Reports reaching this city from southern Saxony indicate that Russian attacks on the German Empire are resuming. Early this morning, the city of Leipzig was wiped out by a herrible flame-breathing dragon, measuring nearly 5000 feet from shout to spiked tail, who burned and ate the entire city.

KULIKOVO (16 Nevember 1903) His Imperial Majesty, Tsar Beris II, teday announced the destruction, at dawn, of the City of Mescew. Nothing remains of the former capital of Russia but a giant eval-shaped depression, with one flat, slightly ceneave end, which is rapidly filling with water from the Mescew River. Said His Majesty, "It seems that Gredne has declared war on everybody!"

HONOLULU (18 December 1903)(G.P.) The capital of Hawaii was the scene of wild colebration today as the restored Kingdom declared its independence from the United States. The climax of the festivities was the coronation of Queen Lettahuuhaa. Her Majesty, lacking any brothers to marry, has wed Her uncle, Prince Makkawhuupii, Her ceusins, Princes Iinée, Maiinee, and Eulalius Threekmerton, and Her illegitimate half-brother, Prince Girmingiannee. The royal wedding was followed by a mass execution of soveral thousand haini plantation owners and a perfectly marvelous ergy which made the well-known similar functions conducted by the Bergia family look like New England toa-and-cookies socials. The entire Court then departed for Hile, from whonce ex-Governor Sanford Dolo would be taken to Mauna Loa and thrown in. The mette of the restored Kingden will not be as erreneously reported by certain ignorant California savages, but the ennobling phrase, designed by the Queen Herself, "In We Cest."

HONOLULU (2 January 1904)(G.P.) The Reyal Hawaiian Legislature, at the request of Her Majesty, has passed the "First Ceusin Law," whereby it is illegal for anyone to marry a person less closely related than his first ceusin without the permission of the Crewn.

HILO (15 January 1904)(G.P.) Harry Aca-aca, a resident of this city, has received the Reyal Award for True Fidelity for marriage above and beyond the wall of the law. Last week, Harry married his mether, his grandmether, three aunts, two daughters, and his brother (who used to live in National City) (or was it Chula Vista?)(Hellywood?). Her Majesty, Queen Lettahuuhaa, preclaimed that she would seen embark on a world cruise to carry True Culture to the benighted inhabitants of the rest of the globe.

TARA (12 Nevember 1903)(Ecben Press) This ancient city is presently graced by the presence of Daniel, the exiled Tsar of Ukraine. He has concluded an alliance between his deeply-laid continental mevement, and the High King Eeghan XXV Ua Niall. The Irish are deeply enraged by Russian designs, which involve aid to an ebscure Ua Brian claimant in seizing the threne and transporting Irish subjects to slave labor in Russia. "With our combined rescurces," said Daniel, "we can quarantee speedy results."

NOVGOROD (17 Nevember 1903)(E.P.) Herdes of terrified refugees reperted that Petregrad Lay helpless before the latest Ukranian-Irish attack. A raid by Stinker Razin easily destreyed the vaunted "GFVM," which means Great Fuss ever a Vitiated Meter. Fellowing the raid, the city was deluged with 50,000,000 cepies of Leftevers. The crowning blow was given when Petregrad was bembarded with a 500 megatalk Peery. Gevernment is paralyzed throughout Russia. The Ukranians have avowed to avenge their Tsar's brother, who went to a cheesy death to save Him.

MOSCCW (20 Nevember 1903)(E.P.) A new enemy has appeared from the east to menace the Russian empire. The herdes of Veyna Emir pour ever the Urals. Arkhangel'sk, Kazan', Perm, Astrakhan, Circassia, Denkeia, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Trebizend, Persia, and all of Siberia and Turkili bow to him. He might not be so dangerous by himself, but he is backed by the Empires of China and Japan. Meanwhile, Lithuania, Livenia, Courland, Peland, and Bessarabia have burst into revelt. Unkempt prophets cry that this is the end of Russia.

GENEVA (DWE) Ah, yes... but what will Gredne de about this mess?

Spring 1904

### I T A L Y E X P E L L E D F R O M R U M A N I A REICHSTAG FAILS TO VOTE WAR CREDITS

ENGLAND: No move received. F Bar-stand (Davidsen)

FRANCE: F Cly-Edi; F Lon-Nth; F Eng-Mid; F Mar-Lyon; A Lvp (S) (Hallo) F Cly-Edi; A Bol (S) A Ruh-Hol; A Ruh-Hol; A Par-Bur

GERMANY: No moves received. F's Don, Ska, Holg; A's Sil, Mun, (Lebling) Hol-stand

ITALY: A Tyr-Vic; A Bud (S) A Tyr-Vic; A Ser-Bul; A Gre (S) (Francis) A Ser-Bul; A Rum-Sev; A Rem-Apu; A Ven-Tyr; F Aeg-Cen; F FMod-Smy; F Nap-Ion

RUSSIA: F Nwy-Swe; F Nth-Nwy; A StP-Lvn; A Bul-Rum; A Jkr (S) (Walker) A Bul-Rum; A Gal (S) A Bul-Rum; A Sov (S) A Bul-Rum; F Con-Bla; F Smy-Con

Underlined moves do not succeed. The German Army Holland is annihilated. The Italian Army Rumania is retreated to Serbia. The Italian player has until the next deadline to exercise his option to remove rather than retreat.

DEADLINE FOR "FALL 1904" ORDERS IS FRIDAY, 25 JULY 1969

PARIS (24 April 1904) With the strain of the past year's events plainly evident, the King held his first public appearance in four menths from the feet of the statue of Alsace, and personally removed the black cloth drapes. "Ne longer shall we neurn Alsace," His Majesty declared. "From this day forth we shall strive to liberate her by force of Arms." Germany is uninterested in peaceful settlement, His Majesty stated. "By the grace of god, we have countered the herror weapons to Boch have bragged about this past winter, but by their acts they have shown themselves at odds with all the civilized states of Europe."

"Roperts received this merning indicate that Admiral Weiser has heisted the Triceler ever Edinburgh. Further information supplied by the Ministry of Marine indicates that Russian vessels in the North Sea chased and sank three British destroyers of the "D" class. Unconfirmed reports radiced from the Russian light cruiser ASKOLD state that one of the craft was flying the Royal Standard." Should this be the case, the danger of an English "Government in exile" disappears, or at least is greatly diminished."

His Majesty finished his speech with a flourish which brought cheers from the buge crowd and sent swarms of Frenchmen and colons streaming to recruiting stations throughout Paris. "I call upon all Frenchmen to sock redress from the crimo of 1870, from the settlement unfairly pressed upon us, to avenge the memory of Sedan, and to end the tyranny in Alsace-Lerraine. Let us resolve to aid in the search of the Dutch, the Danes, the Swedes, and the oppressed of the East for freedem and national dignity. VIVE LA FRANCE!!"

MOSSOFS

DEFEK HELSON, 18 Granards Blvd, Scarborough 712, Ontario, Canada Florida was interesting. It's only a 26 hour drive from Terente:

makes you realize how close downtown really is.

I've always known never to order "enlips" in a Yank restaurant or they give you petate chips. I've even getten used to saying "het tea" for tea (the alternative is saying "One Kening Special on Ice, please"). But I never before realized that putting vi e-gar on chips is a non-Yank trait. In Florida the waitress kept insisting I take some ketchup or something else with it to kill the taste.

I was impressed by the state, or what I could see of it through the rain. The Spanish Mess growing on the doad trees in the swamps get to me too. But the palm trees were the best -- I never realized before they get all brown and shrivelled in the celd just like

posple do.

Gainesville. A jewel in the desert. A seggy jewel, I must admit, but a jewel. I do disagree with Ed Halle on the question of the waitress' IQ. It has to be higher than 35. I asked her for a drink and she didn't bring mo milk. What more could you want?

Oranges. It is startling to realize that two such experts as von Metzke and Halle could both be wrong at the same time -- but I'm afraid it's true. There are no oranges in Florida. I locked, and all I could find was a Guatamalan canteloupe. And California dees too have berder guards (though I'm inclined to think they're more to keep the people in than undesirable stuff out). They year I went down the west coast they stopped a searched us. Worse, they confiscated my bex of parsnip seeds. ("Quick energy -- eat them for snacks," Bob Lake once told me over a bottle of warm coke, and fool that I am I believed him.)

What's with this U.S. fascination with menarchy? I'm a leyal subject of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, but I knew loss about royal lineage than most of you republicans to the south. Look at Beardman. He's a bloody expert on reyal families, yet he hates menarchy with a passion more understandable in a French radical of 1790 than a modern American. Still, all Boardman politics seem to be of the era around 1790 -- so maybe it fits. ((Perhaps... but whose politics in 1790? The spectra was wider then than now.))

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Walker is getting out of hand and must be severely chastised.

(1) America was never a separate kingdom.

- (2) If the treaty of 1783 could not affect the throne of America, then the Act of Settlement, from which the Wettin House derives its claim, could not affect the succession, both the Duke of Windsor and Queen Elizabeth II are usurpers, and the rightful King is Albert of Bavaria.
- (3) In reply to Rod's babbling about the Salic Law ("Salic" is a preper, not a common adjective, derived from the river Sala, as anyone who has read Henry V knews), may I point out that Edward Wettin, Duke of Windsor, derives his claim through no less than seven -- not one, but SEVEN -- generations of women, viz: Matilda, Countess of Anjou; Margaret Beaufort, Duchess of Somerset and Countess of Richmond; Margaret Tuder, Queen Consert of Scotland; Mary, Queen of Scotland; Elizaboth, Queen of Bohemia; Sophia, Electress of Hancver; and Victoria, Queen of Great Britain. Sncer, sneer, and double sneer! Put that in your samevar!

(4) "Yet their own authors faithfully arira

That the land Salique is in Germany, Between the floods of Sala and of Eibe... That doth it well appear the Salique law Was not devised for the realm of France."

-- Henry V, Act I, scene 2, 11, 43-55 And if it was not devised for France, then it bloody well was

net devised for North America.

Lest any cast aspersions upon Shakespeare's learning, this passage is lifted from Helinshed, and any brickbats should be cast in his direction. ((The only aspersions I could wish to cast would be upon your conclusion that whatever is bad for France is also bad for North America.))

My letter in sTab 61 should have read "Apparently Conrad makes success the criterion for legitimacy, an spinion no true menarchest,"

etc. ((Sorry))

((From a later letter))

I am puzzled by John's ((Boardman)) reference to "the most senier legitimate line of the Capet family." This implies that there can be more than one legitimate line. All the various factions of royalists would contradict this, the only question being which pretender is the legitimate king. Er, menarch -- We must not

forget the Bonapartists.

Which gives me an idea. The usual practice for a country without an established royal line is to berrow a younger sen from some elder reyal house. In this fashion were founded most of the east European menerchies, and the houses of Nerway and Belgium. solution which might satisfy both traditionalists and the San Diego Revalist Party, since it lights on a native family, would be to che throne one of the Baltimere Bonapartes. It would not be the first such proposal; Jerome IV was offered the crown of Albania.

Then again, since the U.S. holds the crown of St. Stephen, and since according to Hungarian tradition the severeighty resides in the

Hely Crown, that makes Richard Nixon King of Hungary.

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Au centraire, John ((Beardman)), it is possible to have the Salic Law and the Duke of Windsor too. Most people apparently assume that selection of a menarch involves some magic time-honored unchanging ritual. In truth, the people of a nation are the only judge of legitimacy, and the principle of legitimacy is whatever the law says it is. Thus, no one can question the right of Elizabeth II to sit on the threne, because She dees so in conformance with the English law. ((Which is not Salic Law.)) My contention follows the following line of argument:

- All nations are menarchies. Republics are merely menarchies with an elective menarch, but which could choose to have an hereditary monarch. In such an instance, the nation can choose a new dynasty or select one on a "legitimist" principle. The latter is preferable if available.
- b. Obviously, the only family which has any claim to the Throne of the United States are the heirs of George III. The various Stuart pretenders cannot be considered because they are not legitimate

claimants under English law (which was in effect in this country until 1775/6, or perhaps as late as 1783 in some pertiens). This means the heirs of George V. New, when Edward VIII (who was actually Edward XI) rencunced his crown, he specifically stated which threnes he rencunced. He did not rencunce the throne in America, to which his family has more legitimate interest than any other. ((Family, or threne?))

c. Of course, Edward might not wish to take a new Kingship. This leaves us with two choices: Prince Albert, son of Queen Elizabeth II, or one of the brothers of Edward XI. The latter seems preferable. Prince Albert stands too close to the Threne of England,

and he is at present too young, anyway.

d. Once an American menarchy is established, we, tee, must establish rules of inheritance. The Salic Law scens the best solution, because placing a weman on any threne is a whelly ludicrous and unmeritarious suggestion. Actually, we should have a modified Salic Law; only a male may inherit, but inheritance may pass through the female line in the event of a lapse of direct male succession. This practice is in fact justified by practice in (e.g.) France, in which the succession did pass through the female line when direct male succession was impossible.

c. Thus, the royal succession in America should road: Elizabeth, James I, Charles I, Charles II, James II, Anne, William and Mary, Goorge I, Goorge II, George III, interregnum (1783-?), Edward (? - ), &c. (progressing through Prince George and his des-

cendants).

A Hawaijan Queen (snart!) indeed!

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On the subject as to who shoull, or should not, be His Royak Majesty, King of the Americas, I respectfully suggest that a sword of magnificant proportions and unparalleled beauty be manufactured and then imbedded in a block of reinforced coment. After these proporations are completed anneunce to the peoples of the Americas that a contest shall be held to discover the rightful claiment to the title. Announce, "When shall over remove the sword of magnificent proportions and unparalleled beauty shall be decreed the rightful claimant. His name shall be Arthur Pentheuse, defender against the smog, uphelder of the purple shaft, and sundry other honors, titles, and folderel." Sixtynine days after discovery of the claimant a drawning shall be held at Yankee Stadium, where all the beautiful peoples may come and be properly anazed by His Magnificence. And all the throng will raise their voices to the lyric tune of "Dixie," and pay hemage to His Supreme Pemp. I am sure that everyone approciates the significance of this proposal and will give it its proper support.

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sends along a clipping (from the Times, to judge from the typeface) which states that a number of the larger broweries in Germany are planning to merge and produce a truly "national beer." Frightening. If space permits next issue, I qill quote at length from this story.

For new, that's it. This is the largest issue of a Diplemacy magazine eyer produced... by me. See you... jgk

## AN APOLOGY TO

THE READERS OF STAB,

VALHALLA AND RAGNAROK

It has been several months since any DWE publications have seen print, and I am ashamed. After four years of regular publishing, with no delays of more than a week (and few of them), I have lapsed for months, without telling more than a few people that I could not publish. Mail has lain unanswered -- nay, unopened -- for months, and I have missed moves in games for the first time since 1964-5. It is very depressing.

There is a feeling, somehow, that to a Gamesmaster Diplomacy should be "number one." This is ridiculous. Even if it were possible, such an ordering would be a gross distortion of any same system of values. A Gamesmaster does, however, owe something more to his readers and players than unexplained silence. I am sorry.

I have never before been in a position where I felt I could not devote 16 hours (average publishing time for stab or Valhalla) to Diplomacy. But this spring I held down two (really, three) teaching jobs. Now, I take pride in my abilities as a Gamesmaster, and I think I do a reasonable job. I also take pride in my abilities as a teacher, and when I sell my services I take my responsibilities very seriously in eed. The requirements of my teaching positions were such that I did not feel free to devote time to Diplomacy. I was, in fact, rarely in Youngstown, even on weekends, and when I was there was work awaiting me that could not be postponed. All this does not escuse my lapses, but it is the rationale behind them. Diplomacy, important though it is to me, just doesn't rate as high as some things. And I don't think it should.

Frankly, publishing two tri-weekly and one bi-weekly magazine is an impossible schedule (for me). I will be folding Valhalla after #15, and combining it into sTab. See the pertinent publications for full details.

I hope, in the future, not to have this sort of trouble again... or at least to make provision for it if I do. At any rate, juding by past performance, you should all feel safe until about 1973, when the next breakdown is due.

Thank you for your patience. I hope you feel it worthwhile.

Best,

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