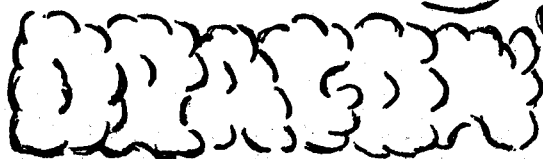




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Diplomacy is telling your ally his tactics are not his best without saying:
"You sure make dumb moves."

First things first. My new phone number is (317) 293-4394. This number is also unpublished, so make a note. Next I would like to point out that the only time I guarantee to be home to receive phoned moves is 10:00 AM-12:00 Noon the day of the deadline. If I am home I have accepted moves at other times, but you cannot insist I take your moves at any other time since this is in my House Rules. This is whether I specifically state the time in each issue or not.

Next: STANDBYS!!!!STANDBYS!!!!STANDBYS!!!!

If you are presently receiving this regularly, you are eligible to be a standby. I may have received an indication of willingness to standby from you before, but if you are still willing to accept a position, please let me know. There are several positions open in the games. If you are willing to take one of these, send some moves to the GM(Don Rittel for Leviathan, me for the others). If you don't want one of these, but are willing to take some other, let me know and I'll put you on the list. You will earn my undying gratitude.

I have again had inquiries about openings. Unless matters change drastically, I have opened all the games I ever shall. My advice to new publishers is to think 47 times before putting out a zine. However, current players can rest assured that their games will be carried to completion.

Next I have had requests for trades and plugs. I shall not be doing this for two reasons. One reason, and the most important, for trades is to get plugs. Since I intend to begin gradual reduction in activity, I have no reason to pick up new trades. The second reason is that I play with some publishers. I don't feel right about plugging a zine I don't think is good; and you know as well as I that panning an ally's zine isn't the best policy. It is no reflection on your zines, necessarily, but I just can't do it.

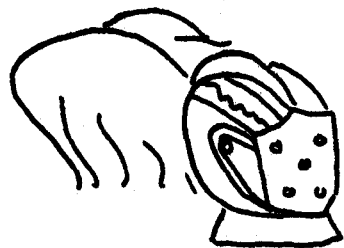
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SAINT GEORGE SPEAKS

"Star Wars"



Time Magazine has already labeled this the best picture of the year. Both it and Newsweek did feature articles. I have not seen any publicity quite like it since "The Great Gatsby". However, I decided to see the film anyway. I approached it with some scepticism, as I am seldom satisfied by science fiction movies. For some reason they never completely manage to suspend my disbelief. But in Star Wars, for once the hoopla is justified.

Many times in SF films the special effects are doled out to you one at a time, so you can marvel at them separately. Star Wars gives you one after another, without pausing. I have seen the film twice, so far, and the second time I was noticing things I had not seen the first time.

The really marvelous thing about Star Wars is that it manages to combine all these effects into a good old-fashioned adventure story. I must confess that I did not see 2001. Those who did have almost universally reported that it was very difficult to tell what was going on. In Star Wars the problem doesn't exist. You know exactly what's going on. A friend who saw it kept reading things into the film that simply weren't there.

It is also refreshing to see a film in which you can identify the good guys and the bad guys. When the chief villain, Darth Vader comes into view for the first time, you know he's a bad guy. And such is the style of the film that you feel entitled to, and do, hiss the villain. The bad guys have no redeeming qualities. If someone is a bad guy, he's a bad guy through and through. I think in this day and age easy identification like that is sometimes necessary. No matter that it doesn't happen often in real life. If you want real life, Star Wars is going to be wasted on you in the first place.

A lot of care was given to the peopling of Tatooine, the planet where the opening events take place. The introduction to the society and the manner in which you are intruded into it give you the impression that it is a complete society, one that has been going on before you got there, and one which will be going on after you leave. Do you remember Forbidden Planet? The entire society consisted of two people and a robot. And when the film was over, the society was destroyed. In Star Wars, not only has the war been going on when the picture starts, it isn't over when the picture ends. It merely concerns one episode within the framework of the war. There are even allusions to a previous set of wars, the Clone Wars. They are never explained, but you do have the feeling that they did take place, even as WW II did.

Since the entire action takes place in another galaxy, one that never heard of Earth, there is no familiar frame of reference. And the film is effective just because of that. You are thrust into this world and you must accept it. Once you have done that, and I suggest you don't try to nitpick with this film or you will miss its best qualities, you are set to enjoy Star Wars to the fullest, and that's quite a bit.

If there's anything left of the kid you used to be, Star Wars is your film, but if you know someone whose favorite director is Bergman, I don't suggest you see it with him.

1977CZ

Cerberus

Spring, 1901



CERBERUS

A BLOODY BEGINNING

Austria(Kehrer) A bud-SRB, F tri-ALB, A vie-TRI
England(Machir) F lon-ENG, F edi-NTH, A lvp-YOR
France (Fiack) F bre-MAO, A PAR-bur, A mar-SPA
Germany(Johnston) A MUN-bur, F kie-HOL, A ber-KIE
Italy (Bunke) A ven-PIE, A ROM H, F nap-TYN
Russia(Michalski) F stp(sc)-FIN, A mos-STP, A war-GAL,
F SEV-bla
Turkey(McManus) A cen-BUL, A smy-CON, F ANK-bla

Underlined orders cannot be carried out. CAPS denote final resting place of unit. COA:Jim Fiack, Rt. 1, Box 384, Glenn, CA 95943. I have been asked to request that you send in your Winter, 1901 builds with your Fall moves. If everyone wishes to do so, I will print Winter with Fall, but since Winter, 1901 is so important, I will not require it.

DEADLINE FOR FALL, 1901 IS JULY 9, 1977 12:00 NOON CDT

1976R

Medusa

Winter, 1906

E: builds F LVP, F wes R NAF, F: removes A ruh, G: no room,
I: builds F NAP, F ien R TYN, R: GM removes F ank,
T: Builds F CON



MEDUSA

ENGLAND DOES A DIRTY

Spring, 1907

Austria(McArdle) F ien-TUN, F adr-ION, A MAR S English
F mae-SPA(NC), A TYO S A BOH, A VIE-gal, A BOH S A VIE-gal
A GAL-ukr
England(Rittel) F nth-DEN, A bel-HOL, F eng-NTH, F lvp-NAT,
F mae-SPA(NC), F naf-MAO, A PAR-bur, A GAS S F mae-SPA(NC)
France(Charnley) F POR S a spa, A spa(d..a)S Austrian A MAR-
gas(nse)
Germany(Cohen) A BUR S English A GAS-mar(nse), A KIE S A MUN,
A BER S A SIL, A WAR-gal, A SIL S A WAR-gal, A MOS-ukr,
A SEV S A MOS-ukr, A MUN H(U)
Italy(Drews) F NAP H, F TYN S F WES, A RUM S Austrian A GAL-
ukr, F LYO S Austrian A MAR, F WES S Austrian F ion-TUN
Russia(CD) A UKR H
Turkey(Nurse) A smy-ARM, F cen-BLA

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1976JW The Phoenix Winter, 1903



THE PHOENIX

E:builds F EDI, I:builds A VEN F NAP, R:removes F sev,
 T: Builds F CON
 LITTLE PROGRESS IN THE NORTH Spring, 1904
 England(Hooten) F edi-NTH, A yer-LVP, F swe-NWY, F LON S
 F iri-ENG, F iri-ENG
 France(Machir) A GAS-cly, F MAO C A GAS-cly, F NAO C A GAS-
cly, F BRE-eng, A PIC-bre, A BEL H
 Germany(Bunke) A den-KIE, F nth-DEN, F HEL S F nth-DEN,
 A gal-BUD, A SIL-gal, A VIE S A SIL-gal
 Italy(Mann II) A TRI S German A gal-BUD, A SRB S German A
 gal-BUD, A ven-TYO, A ALB S A SRB, F nap-ION, F GRE-bul
 (coast not specified), F aeg(d, R EAS) S F GRE-bul(ditto)
 Russia(Gibson) F NWG-cly, A WAR-sil, A bud-vie(d, a)
 F SKA S English F edi-NTH, A UKR-gal, A RUM S Turkish
A BUL-srb
 Turkey(Staud) F con-AEG, F SMY S F con-AEG, F BLA-bul,
A BUL-srb

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 of unit. PRESS after games. Thanks to Gary Staud for letting us know that
 the true source of last months definition was H.L.Mencken.

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1976BM Cyclops Winter, 1905



CYCLOPS

A:builds F TRI, plays 1 short, F:NBR, plays 1 short,
 R:Builds F STP(NC), plays 2 short
 FRANCE SLEEPS THROUGH THE SEASON Spring, 1906
 Austria(Muchnik) A mun-RUH, A beh-MUN, A PIE S A ven-TYO,
 F nap-TYN, F ROM S F nap-TYN, A TUS S A PIE, A ven-TYO,
 F ION S F nap-TYN, A bul-SRB, F tri-ADR
 England(Boehrer) F nth-EDI, F SKA-nth
 France(Levy?) A TUN, A HOL, A BEL, A BUR, A MAR, F LYO,
 F WES, F WAL ALL HOLD
 Russia(Bressleur) A sev-MOS F ARM calls for a conference to
 be held near Yalta, A BER S Austrian A beh-MUN, A KIE
 S Austrian A mun-RUH, A nwy-CLY, F NWG C A nwy-CLY,
 F stp(nc)-NWY, F SWE S F stp(nc)-NWY, F HEL-nth, A DEN
 denounces the Russian command for leaving it defenseless,
 F por(nsu) claims non-existent units cannot have regrets,
 A par(nsu) reads Des Cartes

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 of unit. John Michalski, 913 NE Sixth St., Moore, OK 73160 is asked to
 submit standby orders for France. Press is after the games.

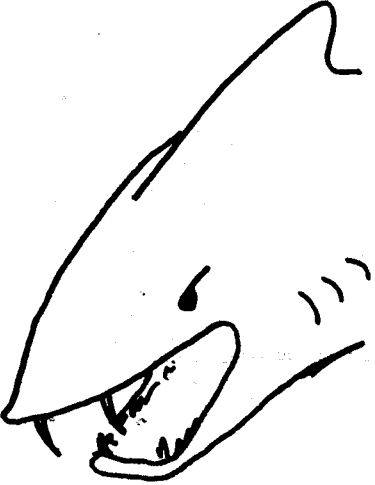
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1976IF

Leviathan

Fall, 1903

SLEEPING SICKNESS STRIKES WESTERN EUROPE



LEVIATHAN

- Austria(Cecil Nurse, Apt. 903, 60 Pavane Linkway, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M3C 1A2) A alb-SRB, A BUD & A TRI S A alb-SRB, A TYO S A TRI, F gre-bul(sc)(d..r ion, etb)
- England(~~Chip Charnley~~) A LON H, F EDI H, F LVP H (NMR)
- France(Scott Hazel, E9 Regency Woods Apts., Old Dublin Pike and Easton Rd., Doylestown, PA 18901)NMR A MAR H, A PIC H A WAL H, F ENG H F NAO H
- Germany(Berch) F DEN H, A BEL H, A RUH S A BEL, A MUN-tye, A kie-HOL
- Italy(~~Agosta~~ resigns; Doug Beyerlein, 240 Hawthorne, Apt. F Palo Alto, CA 94301) NMR A VEN H, A APU H, F NAP H, F ADR H
- Russia(McLendon) A rum-BUL, A ukr-RUM, A WAR H, F bla-ANK, F ska-NTH, F NWG S F ska-NTH, A SWE H(Ex 57066, Webster, TX 77598)
- Turkey(Cliff Mann II, 823 Marcy Ave., Apt. 101, Oxen Hills, MD20021) A bul-GRE, A srb S(d..a) A bul-GRE, F AEG S A bul-GRE, F ion-ALB

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SUPPLY CENTER CHART

1903

Leviathan

1976IF

- AUSTRIA: bud, srb tri, vie, ~~tye~~.....4, remove 1
- ENGLAND: edi, lvp, len.....3, even
- FRANCE: bre, mar, par, per, spa.....5, even
- GERMANY: ber, den, hol, kie, mun, BEL.....6, build 1
- ITALY: nap, rem, tun, ven.....4, even
- RUSSIA: mos, sev, stp, swe, nwy, rum war, ANK, BUL...9, build 2
- TURKEY: ~~tye~~, ~~bul~~, con, smy, GRE.....3, even 1 annihilated

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 DEADLINE FOR SPRING, 1904 & WINTER, 1903 IS JULY 4, 1977 6:30PM CDT  
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Last season it was erroneously reported that England had to retreat from Finland. In truth Russia had to retreat from the G&B which he did to LVN. The players were informed of the error by postcard.



1976BA The Basilisk Winter, 1906  
 I: Fion R TYN, R: builds A WAR  
 ITALY BACKS UP Spring, 1907

Austria(Hessel) A TYO S A tus-PIE, A SIL S Russian A BER,  
 A ROM S F apu-NAP, A tus-PIE, A VEB S A tus-PIE,  
 F ION S F apu-NAP, F GRE S F ION, F apu-NAP, A CON H  
 England(Rogowski) F nwy-STP(nc), F FIN S F nwy-STP(NC),  
FBAL-lvn  
 France(McLendon) A BUR-mun, A gas-NAF, F MAO C A gas-NAF  
 Germany(Mann II) A ROM S A KIE, A KIE S French A BUR-mun,  
 F hel-HEL, F GOB S English F nwy-STP(NC)  
 Italy(Brendlinger) F lye-SPA(SC), F tyn-LYO, F nap-TYN,  
 F TUN S F nap-TYN, A pie h(d..r mar, etb)  
 Russia(Anderson) A WAR S F lvn-PRU, F lvn-PRU, A MOS S  
 F stp(sc)-LVN, F stp(sc)-LVN, A BOM S A MUN, A MUN S A BER,  
 A BER S F lvn-PRU, F AEG S Austrian F ION

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 1976R PRESS--

Constantinople(Jan 32, 1906) General Isch Turnip has been here supervising the resurrection of the Turkish fleet which was scuttled in the coastal waters here some years ago. It is officially stated that ships are rather unwholesome as marine life is found everywhere within them, but this doesn't matter since there is little prospect of running into enemy fleets in these waters. When asked what he was going to do about the disorderly Russian fleet, the General replied, "They are ankaraed so firmly that it would take twice as many men to move them. We're busy and there isn't enough of them to do it, so..." He shrugged.

The Waters off Sevastopol(April 23, 1907) Admiral Isch Turnip was listening through his telescope(?) to the Germans making plans on shore.

"Ach, vat ist zair ships out dere? Turks?"

"Nein, ist net ships; ist American-built sewers taken from zee American-built camps and used instead of American-made ships."

"I say, old chap, you're probably right at that. They seem to be waging a form a bacterial warfare upon us."

The admiral looked at his troops and shouted in a powerful voice:

"We the Turkish Germs shall infect the Anglo-Germans." A cheer resounded across the water.

Armenia(May 30, 1907) Well, folks, this is the end of the line.

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1976R PRESS--

Berlin(December 22, 1906) The German government today extended its warmest expressions of goodwill and friendship to the noble freedom fighters of Turkey and their heroic General Isch Turnip, who have fought long and hard to rid themselves of the oppressive yoke of foreign rule. Now that the Turkish homeland has been liberated, the War Ministry indicated that negotiations had begun which, it was hoped, would lead to the entrance of Turkish forces into the war against Austria-Hungary. "After all," one official noted, "have not our enemies always been Turkey's enemies and our own friends been Turkey's friends?"

The German High Command indicated that they would like to schedule a meeting with General Turnip in Vienna sometime in the near future.

1976BM PRESS--

Russian Information for People (RIP)(17 January, 1906)

The energy situation here in the Russian People's Republic looks glum once again. Last winter the People's Defensive Army was forced to forego the building of two additional armies due to high taxes on gas guzzling tanks. This fall, however, the situation looked brighter; first in late August Nikita Kulnikov announced the invention of a new energy saving tank called the Skate Board. Then in November the 11 year old perfect master and leader of the People's Republic of Hunan Mao Tse Tung had given the Russian people the secret of nuclear energy. By December military leaders were saying that all new Russian military units would be nuclear powered, and General Lenin was predicting that atomic bombs would rain down on France by late summer.

Yesterday that situation changed. First in an early morning news conference Kulnikov explained that the Skate Board was much too dangerous. He said that perhaps if he made the wheels smaller than 18 inches in diameter, it would be safer, but that another 2 years would be needed to find the optimum wheel size.

Then in an afternoon bulletin Minister of Foreign Affairs L.J.Bresslour made it clear that no Russian forces would be nuclear powered nor were the Russians developing nuclear weapons. Instead Bresslour announced that in the hopes of futhering European unity the Russian People were giving the Royal French Government a gift of 47 nuclear reactors to be built throughout the French homeland. Informed government sources claimed that French forces would be eliminated within a decade due to radiation seepage and nuclear waste disposal problems. Meanwhile the army will again halt troop recruitment.

Paris(Via St.Petersburg. April 7, 1906) The 1st Russian Nonexistant Army began a study of French philosophy last week. The course will begin with Des Cartes' early works. To make time for this course, the Army has dropped a Cavalry study of equine grooming. According to Colonel Ivan Stevich the army's priorities amounted to putting Des Cartes before the horse. Note: My exclusive for St.George account of the Russian landing in Scotland has been withheld from publication this spring for security purposes.

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Anyone interested in taking a mid-July trip to Colo for 3 weeks Mountain climbing & the Aug. 7 Pike's Peak Marathon & later western slope peach harvest, write Curtis Gibson, %A-1, 176 Lexington Ave, NY, NY 10016

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1976JW PRESS

Odessa(no dateline) The Headquarters of the Russian Imperial Maritime field forces decided that the Turkish army in Bulgaria deserves to win the race to Rome, pro Allah the Cum Pashanate.

London(March 10) Prime Minister Winston Fitzalan announced today that the training of the English Coastal Defense Units has been completed.

"Winny" also remarked that "these specially trained units will probably not be used anyway," mentioning his famous motto "I'll King David himself hang me if an enemy foot sets foot on Britain." The Prime Minister by the way is up for re-election in October.

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