

# Saint George

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Diplomacy is writing to your GM about how you are setting up your ally then discovering the GM thought it was press and printed it.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** There are some overdue subscriptions. If you are due for renewal there is a checkmark near your address. Please renew as I would hate to put countries NMR for the lack of a sub renewal. All money should be paid to me, no matter who is your GM.

Brad Hessel has asked me to announce, since he and I share a number of players, the DIMAN will be delayed, possibly until after Rosh Hashana. He is engaged in writing the rules to a new Tolkien game, and I hope you all realize that business comes first. Incidentally, don't forget The Silmarillon is due to be published this month. That is Tolkien's last book, which was finished by his son.

And lastly, I have continually promised to give credit to the person who prints this, Greg Wilson. I think he does a beautiful job-How's that, Greg?

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SAINT GEORGE SPEAKS

Dipcom



Let me begin by saying the Dipcon next year will be held in California. Origins IV will be in Michigan. If I attend either, it will be the latter. I do not intend to attend an officially sanctioned Dipcon again.

I had intended to avoid the subject, but it rankles too much. Dipcon this year was not one of the most pleasant experiences of my life. I think, no matter how much it may irritate the powers that be, that the Diplomacy tournament was completely mishandled. There were rule changes that were insituted in the middle of play. The tournament director left the trophies in an unlocked room in a public building overnight. I was surprised that only two of them were stolen.

Mike Rocamora won the tournament again. It was a good win and well deserved. I know, having been personally defeated by him in the second round. The rest of the standings I do not know. I do know that some of the awards for best country were completely undeserved. And that's all I will say on that subject.

I had the feeling that the experience was going to be a disaster when the night before I left, I was informed by one of my potential roommates that he had cancelled the reservations at the Playboy Hotel and made new ones and that he was not going to be there. When we arrived in Lake Geneva the Motel which had our reservations admitted they had a reservation for us, but refused to honor it. We wound up taking a room 10 or 15 miles away from the convention in a real hole.

We got to the convention, and I ran into Dan Mathias, a guy I had met at Origins II. He and his friend were looking for two people to share their room. So it was back to the hole, get a refund(partial) and back to the Playboy. Then we discovered that although the room was referred to as a quadruple, it was really a double rented to four people.

Then down to the convention. And I found a new love. There was a battle going on in one section of the display room. It was a battle using fantasy miniatures. A large part of my time for the rest of the convention was spent deciding which dragon to buy. I finally decided to buy a Rhino Rider, on the theory that one of the dragons such as they had on display really needs to be earned. I urge anyone who is already into fantasy miniatures to get in touch with me, as I could use some help in getting started.

I also ran into a guy from Schenectady who had a "new" game called the Conquest of North America. Whether the differences between it and Diplomacy are sufficient to make it a new game are debatable. However, he does intedn to market it. It is fun to play although the positions are not balanced. The Spanish, Cherokee, Algonquin and French have corner positions. The English, Dutch, and Iroquois have a harder way to go. I played the Algonquin in one game and the English in another. Although the English position is harder, it is fun. I wanted to play the Iroquois, but didn't have the chance. I may open a section of this game, if there is sufficient interest, I receive the maps the designer promised me, and I continue to publish.

I also had the opportunity to play with David Bunke in the first round of the tourney, although we were on opposite sides and I also met Gary Staud. So the experience wasn't a total loss. But I may have gone to my last convention.

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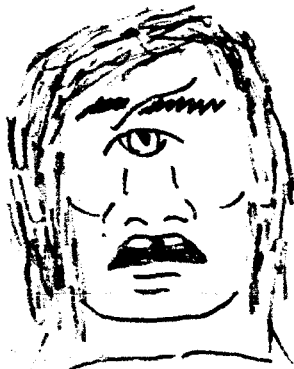


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Cyclops

Fall, 1907

THE BEGINNING OF THE END



CYCLOPS

Austria(Muchnik)(A bur r ruh..a) A MUN-bur, A PIE S F lyo-  
 MAR, F lyo-MAR, F tyn-TUN, A SRB H, A TUS H, F ION S  
 F tyn-TUN, F nap-TYN, A TYO-mun, A VIE-tyo  
 France(Michalski)( F lyo R SPA(SC), A hol r ruh..a)  
 A BEL S A BUR, F LON-nth, F SPA(SC) S F wes-MAO, F wes-  
 MAO, A tun S Russian F lvp-ireland(imp, d, r naf, otb).  
 F PIC S A BEL, A BUR S A mar, A mar S A BUR(d, a)  
 A par-GAS  
 Russia(Bresslour)F arm-SEV, A lvn-PRU, A BER S A KIE,  
 A KIE S A HOL, A HOL S A KIE, A LVP praises French dip-  
 lomacy but says nyet, F nth-ENG, F NAT-mao, F HEL-nth,  
F nwy-NWG, F swe-SKA, A siberia accepts three-way draw(nsu)

All draw proposals have been defeated. Underlined orders cannot be carried out. CAPS denote final resting place of unit. COA'S: Mike Muchnik, Box 4021, 362 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, MA 02139; Larry Bresslour, 12 Bell Vista, Apt. 1, Brighton, MA 02146. Larry's phone number is (617) 566-4797.

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| SUPPLY CENTER CHART | 1976BM                                                                           | Cyclops                           | 1907                    |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| AUSTRIA:            | bud, bul, con, gre, mun, nap, rom, srb, tri,                                     |                                   |                         |
|                     |                                                                                  | ven, vie, MAR, TUN.....13,        | build 2                 |
| FRANCE:             | bel, bre, <del>hol</del> , <del>lvp</del> , lon, <del>mar</del> , par, por, spa, |                                   |                         |
|                     |                                                                                  | <del>lvp</del> ..... 6, remove 2, | 2 annihilated           |
| RUSSIA:             | ank, ber, den, edi, kie, mos, nwy, rum, stp,                                     |                                   |                         |
|                     | sev, smy, swe, war, HOL, LVP.....15,                                             |                                   | build 4,<br>was 2 short |

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Berlin: Our new army in Bavaria has gone mountain climbing in the Tyrolian Alps. We hear they're almost as much fun as the Colorado Rockies. Our new fleet on the Baltic is planning games with the new Russian fleet. We hear they have the chess mastery, but we claim the deck shuffleboard championship. But mothballs for John Bull's fleets.

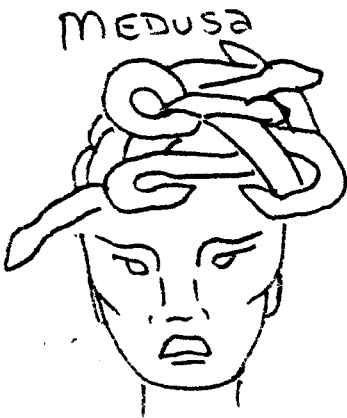
Turkey-Russia: Thanks are given to the considerate manner in which the Tsar entered into war. It is indeed unfortunate that it is such. I would call on all the great powers to look and take heed of the Russian bear and to attack before it paws at all. More pg. 7

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Medusa

Fall, 1908



Austria(McArdle) F con-ANK, A GAL-rum, A BUD-rum, A TYO S  
 A BOH, A VIE S A BOH, A BOH H, A MAR H  
 England(Rittel) F nwg-NWY, A yor-DEN, F NTH C A yor-DEN,  
 F BAL S A yor-DEN, A bel-RUH, A BUR S A bel-RUH, A HOL S  
 A bel-RUH, A GAS S F SPA(NC), F MAO S F SPA(NC), F ENG S  
 F MAO, F SPA(NC) (U) H  
 France(CD) no units  
 Germany(Cohen) A nwy-SWE, A KIE-den, A BER S A MUN, A MUN S  
 A SIL, A SIL S A MUN, A WAR S A SIL, A SEV-rum  
 Italy(Drews) F aeg-CON, A BUL S F aeg-CON, F tun-NAF,  
 F WES S F tun-NAF, F LYO S Austrian A MAR  
 Russia(CD) A UKR H  
 Turkey(Nurse) A ank-SMY, F BLA-con

Underlined orders cannot be carried out. CAPS denote final resting place of unit. There is a proposal for a draw between England/Austria/Italy. Please vote with your next set of orders.

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SUPPLY CENTER CHART

1976R

Medusa

1908

AUSTRIA: bud, mar, rom, srb, tri, ven, vie, ANK..... 8, build 1  
 ENGLAND: bel, bre, den, edi, hol, lvp, lon, nwy,  
 par, por, ~~spa~~, SPA.....11, even  
 FRANCE: ~~spa~~..... 0, OUT  
 GERMANY: ber, kie, mos, mun, stp, sev, war, SWE..... 8, build 1  
 ITALY: bul, gre, nap, rum, tun, CON..... 6, build 1  
 RUSSIA: ~~ukr~~..... 0, OUT  
 TURKEY: ~~con~~, smy..... 1, remove 1

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Berlin-London & Vienna: Why is Italy even in this game ?  
 Berlin-Vienna: England is the threat, not Germany - he who hesitates is lost.  
 Berlin-London: You're still the odd man out - he who hesitates is lost.

Ankara: General Isch Turnip is taking a great gamble that the Austro-Italians are going to be greedy and try and take Smyrna as well as Constantinople. He made an impassioned speech to the effigies of the Austrian and Italian leaders before they were burned. "What do you want from us? We want only to live. We did not invade you when we could have. Is this how you repay our..." The General could not continue as the veins in his neck swelled and his eyes gleamed ferociously.

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