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Diplomacy is signing up for a new game, then discovering there isn't anyone who doesn't know your reputation.

Well, summer has set in finally. I do not understand people who complain all winter about the cold then, as soon as it turns warm, turn on the air-conditioner. A friend of mine has a comfort range of 1 degree. He is comfortable between 68 and 69. Colder he has the heat on, warmer-the air-conditioning. There's no pleasing some people.

I have six people for the next game, and a line on a seventh. Curtis Gibson has asked me to run a section of Small World III, designed by Fred Davis. I have not run variants because I am not really interested in them and except for the most wommen, like Youngstown, they are hard to find standbys for. However, if there is sufficient interest in a particular variant, I will run a section. Let me know if anyone is interested. I WILL BE OPENING AT LEAST ONE MORE GAME.

Roy Smith, 64 Addicks Road, Westwood, NJ 07675 has started a new zine called Brew and Reefer. Write Roy for details. Also Wargamer's Information is back. It carries news of conventions and also reviews of games Flying Buffalo sells. It's available from: Rick Loomis, P. 0.Box 1467 Scottsdale, AZ 85252.

I shall be going to Origins in Ann Arbor. I'd appreciate hearing from anyone planning on going who's going through Indianapolis and wants a rider to share expenses. I hope to see a lot of you there.

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SAINT GEORGE SPEAKS

Project U.F.O.

Actually I shouldn't be reviewing this show at all since it is not SF. The UFO phenomena along with the believers has more in common with super-natural phenomena. The sighting of a UFO has more in common with appearances of Mary and the angels of previous centuries than with any-

thing else. Somehow in this sophisticated age it has become out of fashion to see visions of Mary, but it is acceptable to see creatures from outer space - with as much evidence for each. I wonder if anyone has compared the number of UFO sightings in the US with the number seen in a Roman Catholic country, such as Spain. It might be interesting.

in a Roman Catholic country, such as Spain. It might be interesting. However, it is not the matter of UFO's as such I object to in this particular case. What I object to is the style of presentation which is called "docu-drama". "Docu-drama" is a style of presenting a story, presumably based on fact, in an entertaining manner. Now leaving aside the question of how much fact is involved in a UFO sighting, we have to realize that there are fictional elements involved in the TV

show. But we do not know which they are.

In the one episode I saw, two incidents were involved. One was left as a mystery. The other was explained as a balloon dropping some test materials, which were designed to confuse radar. From there a boy's over-active imagination conjured up the image of a space ship.. The problem here is that when both episodes were dramatized, you saw what was clearly a space-ship in both incidents, although in one there was definitely no ship. This method of dramatizing the report rather than the event left you with the impression that the boy was being deceived because YOU REALLY DID SEE A SPACE-SHIP. I understand from other sources that this is customary. They always dramatize the events as being actual contacts with denizens from outer space, whether they explain the sighting as something else later.

This style of showing you an event and then explaining it away as something else, leaves you with the impression that in the show, the investigators are engaging in covering-up. It also leaves you with the impression that there is more evidence for UFO's than there really is. The same style of presenting material is used in the movie and TV

The same style of presenting material is used in the movie and TV versions of Chariots of the Gods and similar "docu-dramas". How many of you think just because you saw a movie in which you were shown some mysterious objects that the conclusions about those objects, or even the objects themselves are real and valid. Do you believe the opinion of someone who is referred to as a "scientist" is valid merely because he is a scientist without any additional clarification of exactly who this is 7 For all we know he could be a BA in Biology from Kent State.

And unfortunately, for most people, the answer to those questions is yes. The docu-drama is a dishonest method of presentation since it lends a spurious authenticity. And today as always the metto for most

people seems to be: I believe because it is absurd.

1977CZ

CERBERUS

Cerberus

Fall. 1906

(Last Season the Russian order F NWG S F ska-NTH was omitted. Players were informed by postcard.)

AUSTRIAN UNEASINESS ?

Austria(Kehrer) F VEN S F apu-ADR, F apu-ADR, F ALB S F apu-ADR, A TYO S F VEN. A TRI S F VEN. A MUN-bur. A RUH-bel, A boh-GAL

England (Machir) A YOR S F cly-EDI, F cly-EDI, F HEL-hol, F BEL S F HEL-hol, A PIC S F BEL, A PAR S Italian A BUR

France(Fiack) F edi S Russian F NTH(d, a)

Italy(Bunke) A BUR S English A PIC-bel(nso), A PIE S
F adr-ven, A ROM S F adr-ven, F adr-ven(d, a), F nap-APU,
F ion-gre(d, r tun, nap, otb), F TYN-ion

Russia (Michalski) A nwy-LON, F NTH C A nay-LON, F DEN S F NTH,

A KIE S F HOL, F HOL S Austrian A RUH-bel, A SRB-gre, F AEG S F eas-ION, F eas-ION, A stp-FIN, F nwg-NAT,

F bar-NWG, A SIL(U) H

Underlined orders cannot be carried out. CAPS denote final resting place of unit. The draw proposal was not unaninously accepted. There is a new proposal for a concession to Russia. Please vote with your Winter, 1906 orders. Spring, 1907 will be due with Winter, 1906 & may be made conditional upon it.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART 1977CZ Cerberus 1906 AUSTRIA: bud, bul, con, gre, mun, srb, tri, vie, VEN.... 8, even ENGLAND: bel, bre, Max, lvp, Xan, par, EDI......... 5, remove 1 FRANCE: 647..... O. out 1 annihilated

RUSSIA: ank, ber, den, kie, mos, nwy, rum, stp, sev, smy. swe, war, HOL, LOW, SRB....15, build 3

DEADLINE FOR WINTER, 1906 & SPRING, 1907 IS JULY 8, 1978 12 NOON CDT 1977CZ-PRESS--

Rome to Vienna: See. What did I tell you?

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1976R I:builds A NAP

DEJA: VU

Medusa

Spring, 1913

Winter, 1912

Austria (McArdle) F BLA H., A MOS S A LVN, A LVN H., A PRU H. A WAR S A PRU, A BOH S A SIL, A SIL H, A TYO H, A MAR H, A PIE S A MAR

England (Kelly) F BAL'S German A BER, F SPA(SC) H, F POR S F SPA(SC) A GAS S A BUR, A BUR S A GAS, F IRI S F MAO, F MAO S F SPA(SC), F ENG S F MAO, F BRE S A GAS, A RUH S German A MUN, A FIN S German A STP, F NWY S German A STP Germany (Cohen) A MUNT H. A KIE S A MUN. A BER S A MUN. A STP H Italy (Drews) F LYO S Austrian A MAR, F NAF S F WES, F WES H, F TYN H, F ION, H, A ARM H, A ROM H, A NAP H

medusa CAPS denote final resting place of unit. There are two proposals for a four-way draw, one to take place immediately and one after Fall, 1913. Please vote. Votes for the draw after Fall may be made conditional upon Fall results. PRESS ON PAGE 8

DEADLINE FOR FALL, 1913 IS JULY 8, 1978 12 NOON CDT

1978??

The Banshee

Spring. 1901

ARE YOU SURE THIS IS THE WAY IT'S SUPPOSED TO GO ?

Austria(Mann) A vie-GAL, A BUD S A vie-GAL, F tri-ALB England (Hessel) F edi-NWG, F lon-NTH, A lvp-EDI France(Kendter, Jr) F bre-MAO, A par-BUR, A mar-SPA Germany(Swords) A mun-RUH, A ber-KIE, F kie-HOL Italy (Machir) A ven-TRI, a rom-VEN, F nap-IOM Russia(Richmond) F stp(sc)-GOB. A mos-STP. A war-UKR. F SEV-bla

Turkey(Pyfrom) A con-BUL, F ANK-bla, A smy-CON

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********** DEADLINE FOR FALL, 1901 IS JULY 8, 1978 12 NOON CDT ************************ 1978?? The Banshee PRESS--

France-Germany: Why don't you write? Please don't force a war between us!

Berlin: As a veteran of many FTF battles, I now enter this zany, ziney world of postal Diplomacy. I'm looking forward to a great game!

Italian press is on page 5

A SHEE 1976JW

The Phoenix

Winter. 1908

G: A vie R BOH, I: A ven R/APU, builds F NAP, plays 1 short. R: builds A WAR

A GOOD HARD PUSH

Spring, 1909

France(Machir) A stp-LVN, F bar-STP(NC), A yor-NWY, A mar-PIE, A gas-MAR, F naf-TUN, F wes-TYN, F LYO S F wes-TYN. F spa(sc)-WES Germany (Bunke) F hel-KIE, F bal-BER, A MUN S F bal-BER, A BOH-vie, A TYO-tri, A pie-TUS, A VEN S A pie-TUS, F NTH C French A yor-NWY

Italy(Mann) A apu-GRE, F ION C A apu-GRE, A ROM-ven, F tyn h, (d, r nap, otb), F nap-APU, A TRI S A VIE, A VIE S A TRI, A RUM-gal, A bul-SRB, F CON-bul(ec),

F SMY-con

Russia(Gibson) A mos-SEV, A WAR-gal, A ber-mun(d, r pru, sil, otb) Turkey(Staud) F BLA-bul(ec), F ANK H

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Berlin(via OMSK)Bye, bye to lustig Prussos, Linden & all; we're heading for the Swiss Alps, Heidis & Laken. Tellyour Kaiser he returns at his peril, now you've tasted the wine of intellectual meritocracy. Tell him if he'll abdicate we'll even let him hide out in Siberia. In his honor we've touched up a famous limerick:

There once was a Bunke in Siberia, After preying felt sick and inferior, Til he met a cute nun. And had lots of fur.

And made her a Mother Superior. Drei Cheers! 1978?? The Banshee PRESS--

Rome: The Red Brigade announced today that it is allergic to both water and sand and would prefer to sow the seed of revolution in the fertile soil of Europe. Rome: Dear Turkey-Let's be friends. Details will follow.

The Basilisk

OVER THE TOP

(Messel) A mar-PIE, F wes-TIE, A MAR-SEL S A tyo-MUE, A SIL-Dru, A WAR-SEL SIL-Dru, E WAR-SEL S A MAR-SEL SIL-Dru, E Con-BIA, A MAR-SEL SIL-DRUE, F LON-TUNI SILO BOSTOWN F KIE S A MAR-SEL SILO BOSTOWN F KIE S A MAR-SE

Maned 18 centers wins. Congrets of the players is welcomed and will be a selected with the selected wi

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GM: Robert E

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cout F103)

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BLOODSHED

Austria(Nurse) A boh-TYO, A SEV-arm, A RUM-sev, A GAL-rum, A BUL-con, A srb-GRE France(Gable) NMR F NAT H, A MAR H, A LVP H, A EDI H, F POR H. F MAO H. PF SPA(SC) H. F WES H. Germany (Berch) F hol-BEL, A MUN H. A bur-PAR, A nwy-LON.

F NTH C A nwy-LOW, A stp-LVN, F BRE H. A SIL S A MUN. A ukr-WAR, A MOS S Austrian A RUM-sev Italy (Beyerlein) A PIE H, A tyo-TRI, F tus-TYN, F tyn-ION,

F nef-TUN, F ank-COM, F SMY S F ank-CON Russia (McLendon) NMR A ANM H, F BLA H

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SUPPLY CENTER CHART 1976IF Leviathan 1908

AUSTRIA: bud, rum, srb, sev, ###, vie, BUL, GRE..... 7, build 1 brs, edi, lvp, Zon, mar, par, por, spa...... 5, remove 3 FRANCE: GERMANY: bel, ber, den, hol, kie, mos, mun, nwy, stp, swe, war, BRE, LOW, PAR....14, build 4,

was 1 short

ITALY: RUSSIA:

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1976IF Press--

Vienna: It isn't a matter of how many states Canada will come in as, it's a matter of how many provinces the U.S. wants to become: twenty would about do it. I have sincere doubts about you Yankees being able to handle two countries on your Northern border. It would be only a matter of time before you capitulated. ((Thus far, we haven't been able to handle one country on our Northern

borders very well.))

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1976R PRESS--

Vienna: Come on, Ron, hasn't it been 3 years ?

Rome: For the life of me I cannot understand why anyone still opposes a 4 way draw. The game is done and a waste of time for all of us. The only reason I can find is that Ron Kelly wants to ensure certain ratings points. If this assumption is wrong, I apologize. If right, I'll tell you all I'm darn mad and I'll consider applying a personal vendetta against Ron in future games, similar to the way(rumor has it) that Ron plays himself occasionally. Sorry to be so bitter, but this game is becoming a drag.

the following players, or readers, need to renew their sub:

Richard Anderson, David Hooton, Ronald Kelly, Cecil Nurse, Jerry Rogowski,

If you are allied to one of these gentlemen, please advise them to renew.

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