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As you probably have noticed, this issue is extremely late. In fact, extremely is an understatement. I could make a lot of excuses for this, but I'll pass on that, say that a lot of water has gone under the bridge since the last issue, and leave it at that.

This issue is basically to let you all know that I am still alive, publishing, and basically making a general nuisance of myself. I'd appreciate it if those of you who signed up for the game would let me know if you are still interested in playing under my gamesmastering. Not publishing for an extended period of time is one of the best ways of losing player interest that I know of, so if any of you are no longer interested, please let me know.

I'd like to apologize to all of you for not publishing for so long. Despite the facetiousness that may or may not show in this, I do consider publishing a responsibility that should not be taken lightly (all the time, that is), and I am embarassed about this long delay. I'd like to say that it won't happen again, but I am human, so I can't guarantee that. However, I will say that I will do my best to try to avoid that happening again. Once a game starts, regularity will be better. There's a kind of psychological incentive when there is a game going to get it out on time.

Now, incase any of you have forgotten, this is Sya-Dasti-Sya-Nasti-Sya-Davak-Tav-Yaska. This is published every three weeks (hA! you might say. Watch.) Subscriptions are \$3.00/12 issues. Game fee is \$2.50. There are openings in regular Diplomacy and Bioplomacy, a variant concerning competing animal species by Al and Tom Burkacki.

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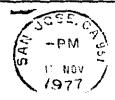
Like I said before, this issue is just to let you know I'm still alive. It does not count against your subscription.

The next issue should be out in a week or so, depending on how much I catch up on this week. Publishing isn't the only thing I fell behind in during the last couple months. But since I had issue 4 about halfway typed up for quite a while, it shouldn't take too long. I would appreciate it if you would make some contributions to the contents of this 'zine. Articles, stories, anything you might happen to think of. In return, you will receive a certain amount of issues. The exact amount depends on how long (and maybe how good, depending on what kind of mood I'm in. You might get some extra ones.) the thing you send in is.

I'd appreciate it also if anyone would let me know about any orphans that happen to be floating around waiting to be picked up. I've been trying to get a hold of one or more, but I haven't been having any luck. Or even if someone is running too many games and wants to dump one, that would be fine. Just as long as it isn't a variant, especially a Youngstown.

That's just about it for now. See you in a while.

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