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FINAL CONFLICTII

by Ton Swider

This is a continuation of the rules for this game. It was started in Issue #22. This game will be started after a Youngstown game should end. am taking names of interested people, but that is all.

NUCLEAR WEAPONS:

A) Movementi

1) Nukes can be moved as if they were armies, with the provision that

they may only enter areas wich are friendly and remain friendly. Nukes have no attack, support or defensive strength, and are captured if enemy units end the turn in their areas. A country capturing a nuke replaces it with one of that country's nukes.

Launching Nukes:

Nukes can be launched against any space on the board. Example: USA orders N NEW York-(1)-TEHran. (This is the format of the order.)

A nuke's order is written along with regular (conventional) orders, but the effects of a nuclear attack are resolved before actual

movement takes place. Effects of a Nuclear Attack

On the turn of impact, all units in the area are destroyed. addition, any units moving through of into the space are also destroyed. Planes wich have no alternate route to their destination other than through the province nuked are destroyed. A fleet which convoys a unit through or into a nuked area is destroyed if it is adjacent to the space targeted. Units may not retreat into or through areas nuked that turn. Example: USA orders P. LOS Angeles-Central America, A Dallas-MEXico, P Dallas S A Dallas-MEXico, P Caribbean Sea S A Dallas-MEXico. BRA orders N MATo Grosso-(1)-MEXico, P Mid-Western Atlantic-Caribbean Sea. (The nuclear attack destroys all American Units. P Dallas & F Caribean are destroyed because they supported an attack upon MEXico. P LOS Angeles is destroyed because the only route is has to Central America is through MEXico. Since the aftermath of a nuclear attack is computed prior to normal movement, the Brazilian fleet's move to the Caribbean succeeds since there is no unit in the space to oppose the move.) A unit which is convoyed through or into a space which is nuked is also destroyed. There is an exception to this rule. A nuke which holds and is in an area hit by nuclear attack is not destroyed. Instead, it is allowed a retaliatory counterstrike. It can only be ordered to launch; otherwise, it is destroyed. The retaliatory strike order is written along with the next season's orders. A nuke which moves into an area hit by a nuclear attack is destroyed and gets no counterstrike. The retaliating nuke does not necessarily have to launch on the player who launched the original nuke.

A nuke which has been launched is removed from play. A nuked area is considered impassable during the next movement season and may not be entered by any unit. Planes may traverse the area but may not end their movement there.

- Economic impact: An area which has been devastated by nuclear attack is rendered valueless for the next three Winter income phases. On the fourth Winter phase, the province regains its economic value. Also, it the area happens to be a supply center, new units may no longer be raised there until the economic value is regained.
- Effect on Victory Criterion: A center which is currently devastated does not count toward the number needed to win the game. Furthermore, for every two centers currently devastated, the number of centers needed to win is reduced by one from the original goal of 24. A center regaining its economic value during the upcoming Winter is no longer devastated and does count as a center for victory condition Note that nuclear devastation has no effect on ownership purposes. of any province whatsoever.

D) Limitations on Launching Nukes:

A player may not nauke an area which he currently possesses.

A player may never nuke any of his own home territories, regardless

of ownership.
CAPTURING PROVINCES:

Any land province (regardless of whether it is a center) can be captured by merely passing through it. This implies that areas can be captured in a Spring or Fall turn. Centers captured in the Spring may be built in during the upcoming Winter, provided that the unit density (see Rule 5) is not violated.

B) Control of an area takes place immediately. Examples: BRA-A IBEria-MORocco, P IBEria S A IBEria-MORocco; RUS-A Prance-IBEria. Sinces Brazil captured MORocco during movement, P IBEria could legally retreat to MORocco. BRA-A IBEria H. P IBEria S P IBEria. RUS-A France-IBEria, P ENGland and P France S A France-IBEria. Assuming that MORocco ia open for a retreat and is unowned by Brazil (neutral or enemy owned), P IBEria could not retreat to MORocco since it isn't controlled prior to the retreat segment of this turn. The situation remains unchanged even if A IBEria retreats to MORocco.

Areas which a player controls are the only spaces which are considered "friendly" to him: an ally can't allow his areas to be "friendly" to him. Control of an area gives itw owner the right to land a plane in that area and gives him its economic value each Winter.

ECONOMICS:

Supply centers produce \$3 a year for their owners.

Non-supply center land areas produce \$1 a year for their owners.

At the start of the game, each player owns all areas within the political boundries of his country (shown in a dark black line on the map). These are the player's "home provinces". Note that the USA player does own Alaska and Hawaii.

D) Money can be saved from one season to the next, and can be transferred as seen fit to other players (see Rule 12 for further clarifications).

BUILDING AND MAINTAINING UNITS:

Units have the following costs:

<u>Unite</u> <u>Maintain</u> Army, Pleet, Plane \$3 \$1 Nuke

A player <u>must</u> pay maintenance on all units he currently has on the board, if he has the funds. If he does not have enough money to maintain B) all his units, he only maintains those which he does have the funds to

maintain and removes all other units.

If, and only if, all units have been maintained, a player is allowed to C) use any remaining money to raise new units. one unit is not allowed to make any builds. A power which disbanded even

A player may build units in any undevastated center he controls, whether it is a home center or not. D)

By the end of the Winter season, a player must have an even cash balance B) (\$0) or a cash surplus; players may not go into debt or have a negative

money balance.
In the case of a NMR, the country will pay all maintenance costs and F) keep any remaining money. If units need to be removed, the GM will remove plane units from provinces in alphabetic order until the deficit is paid. If this is not sufficient, the GM will begin removing armies and fleets alphabetically amongst those not occupying supply centers. Next, armies and fleets occupying supply centers will be removed. Lastly, any nukes will be removed until the budget deficit is paid up.

When a power is knocked out of the game, any of his units which go into civil disorder remain on the board (maintenance free) and are disbanded

once dislodged.

PLAYER ELIMINATION.

A player may be eliminated from the game when he no longer controls any of his home provinces, regardless of whether it is a supply center. When a player has lost control of all of his home provinces, he has one last movement season in which to capture at least one of his home territories. If he succeeds, he remains in the game. If not, he is eliminated, all funds in his treasury are considered null and void, and any remaining units his country has hold in civil disorder (maintenance free) and are disbanded once dislodged. Nukes in civil disorder are susceptible to capture (see Rule Rule 7A2).

NEGOTIATIONS:

Players may negotiate during the Winter season.

Players can make loans and money transfers as parts of deals. Orders can't be made conditional upon the receipt of money, except in the case of Winter builds (allowing players to maintain/raise additional units should they receive money from an outside source).

 During the Spring and Pall seasons, money transactions are written along with all other orders. Any amount may be transferred.

During the Winter, money transactions are performed prior to paying maintenance. Up to \$3 (total) may be transferred to other players. Players are reminded that they should keep enough money to pay maintenance for all their own units, and that builds may not be made should they fail to pay all maintenance costs.

ITALY FORTIFIES POSITION IN FRANCE; RUSSIA MOVES SOUTH: TURKEY DRAWS BACK

RETREATS: English P Den-Ska. OLD HICKORY AUTRIA: Builds A Vna. P Gre-Bul(sc). Spring 1903 A Ser S <u>F Gre-Bul(sc)</u>. A Vna H. A Tri-Alb, A Bud S A Ser. · ARRY h * flect ENGLAND: Constant. F Ska-Swe, F Eng H. *retreating A Nwy S F Ska-Swe, <u>F Nth-Den</u>. FRANCE: Removes F Mid, FGoL. A Por-Spa. A Gas S A Por-Spa/dsl, A Par-Bre. GERMANY: Build not taken, one short. A Ruh-Mun, A Kie S A Kie-Mun/imp. P Den-Nth, F Bal-Ber. ITALY: Builds F Nap. A Rom. P Spa(sc) H, A Mar-Gas, A Bur S A Mar-Gas. F Nap-Tyn. A Rom-Ven. RUSSIA: Constant. A War-Gal, F StP(sc) Y A Rum S A War-Gal, P Sev-Bla.

A Ber-Mun, P Pru-Bal, P Bla S TURKIS

A Eas-Tripoli(NSU, P Bla S AUSTRIAN TURKISH

A Eas-Tripoli/NSU.

TURKEY: Constant: P Ank-Bla.

A Con S A Bul, A Bul S RUSSIAN A Rum H, F Ion-Aeg, F Bla S RUSSIANS to regain their senses/NCU.

DIP: The dislodged French army may retreat to Paris or disband.

Pall 1903 moves are due with the next issue. Please check your moves to be sure that there are no mistakes (see Germany this turn) and that they are readable. If I can not read the moves, I can not report them.

As many of you pointed out, France had to remove 2 instead of 1 unit this turn. I love it when the players catch mistakes in the turns. It means that they are staying on their toes.

A BATTLE OF WITS - #1

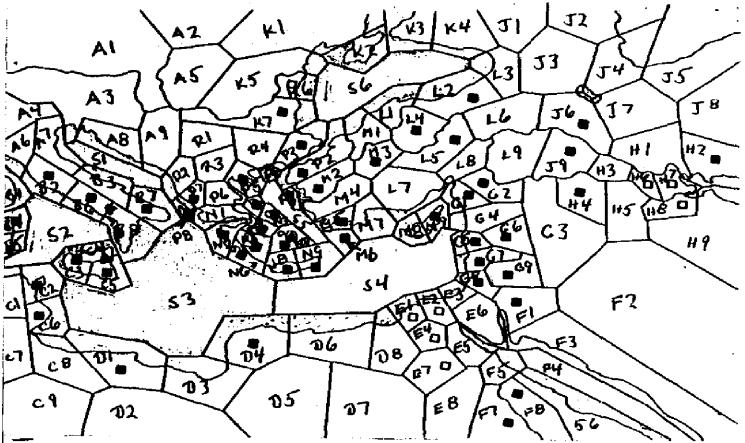
The following questions deal with the military, past and present. Some are very easy, while most of them are difficult and would require some digging to find the answers. The person that can get the most correct answers by the due date of Issue #24 will recieve as a prize an autographed copy of Lovely in Her Bones by Sharyn Mc/Crumb (her latest book). Partial credit will be given, so do your best.

- 1. As declared by Congress, when was the 'First Battle of the American Revolution'?
- 2. What type of aircraft do the Navy's 'Blue Angels' fly?
- 3. Of all the ships present in Pearl Harbor during the Japanese attack, Which was the last one sunk--and by whom?
- 4. Who is Georg Gaertner?
- 5. How many British ships were sunk in the Falklands War?
- 6. What was 'Operation Coronet'?
- 7. Who was the last Confederate general to surrender?
- 8. When did Manfred von Richtofen score his first and last victories?
- 9. How many Americans died in 'Operation Urgent Fury'?
- 10. What was the first operational American jet fighter?
- 11. Where is 'Hellfire Corner'?
- 12. How many steps did Hitler take in his 'famous jig' at the French surrender in WWII?
- 13. What was the first submarine to sink an enemy ship?
- 14. Who invented the 'Molotov cocktail'?
- 15. What was a Habakkuk?

The players are being sent a set of questions about the rules for this game. Please answer them and return them with the next turn. A set of rules will be printed with the next turn.

Everyone reclaved their first choice of country. The preference was:
Assyria, Africa, Crete, Babylon, Egypt and Italy (tie), Asia, Thrace, and
finally Illyria. Egypt was the only country mentioned on everyones preference
list. It is amazing that Africa was the second favorite choice, yet nobody
made it their first choice. The assignments and starting positions are as
follows:

ASIA	K4	Mark Larzelere
ASSYRIA	J1	Mark Frueh
BABYLON	JB	Cecil Solomon
CRETE	N9 :	Dave Bongard
EGYPT	P8	Rick Dorsey
ITALY	A6	Bill Wulff



This map will be used in the future to report the unit positions. You can locate them yourself this turn. The number-letter code will be used now. Due with the next turn will be: Builds(on above positions), movement of both units, builds on new postions, and movement of those units. The second set of moves can and should be made contingent on the movement of the other players first movement, especially those of Asia and Assyria.

STANDBY PLAYERS: Please fill out this form and return it as soon as possible.					
I.	, w	ll be a standby player in the following games:			
	Diplomacy				
	Gunboat Diplomacy	. `			
	Yougnstown IV				
	Youngstown XII				
	Civilization				

I will accept and play any postion that I am given in the games marked. If I play the position to conclusion, I understand that I will recieve three free issues of The Appalachian General.

- RETREATS: All retreating units disband.
- AUSTRIA(CD): A Clu H, A Ser H, A Bul H.
- ENGLAND(Evans) F.Bor-Clu.
- FRANCE(CD): F Iri H, A Por H, F Spa(sc), H, A Gas H.
- GERMANY(Outte): Builds P Ber. F Kie, A Pos, A Mun. A Tri S A Vna-Bud. A Vna-Bud. A Gal S A War-Ukr, A War-Ukr, A Mos S A StP-Oms. A StP-Oms, A Fin-StP. A Mun-Bgy. A Pic-Par. A Bre S A Pic-Par. F Eng-Matl. F NAtl H/dsl. F Nrg S F NAtl K. F Bar-Nwy. F Kie-Den. A Pos-Sax, P Ber-Kie.
 - A Lpl goes to see a Julian Lennon concert.
- INDIA(Dorsey): Builds A Mdr. P Clt. A Del-Snd. A Afg-Ira. F Ira-Per. P Ade H, A Tur S A Afg-Ira. F Clt-Mdr. A Mdr-Raj. A Tun-Lya, A Sud-Fez. A Eth-Sud.
- ITALY (Hopson-CD): F Per H. A Yem H. F Red H. F Sue H. F Smy H. F Ion H. A Pen H.
- JAPAN(Goltz): Builds A Osa, F Tok. F Cam-Sia, P Phi-Schi, F Mal-Bor, A Oms freezes, A Sib S A Oms, A Kan-Skg, <u>P Ara CON INDIAN A Mdr-Yem</u>/NSO, A Osa-Mor, F SPac CON A Osa-Mor, P SPac(OBB) CON A Osa-Mor, F SAtl CON A Osa-Mor, A Kon-Osa, A Alg-Tus, P WMed CON A Alg-Tus, F Lyo CON A Alg-Tus, P MAtl-NAtl, F NPac(OBB) S F MAtl-NAtl, P NPac H,
 - P MAtl(OBB)-MAtl.
- TURKEY (Lowman): NMR; A Sev H, A Rum H, F Con H, P Ank H.
- Does anybody have any idea why everyone has dropped out of this game in the last 1 game years? Italy has been placed in Civil Disorder starting with this turn. If Turkey should miss the next turn, this fate will also befall them. Since it looks likes England may be out after this year, we may be down to the Big Three fighting over the spoils towards victory.

 The draw proposal was defeated with ONE NO vote: It looks like this
- game will be played out to its natural conclusion.
- The German fleet may retreat to Ireland, Clyde, or disband. Germany should have been listed as picking up Lpl last year instead of Edi, Edi was picked up in a previous year.
 - Fall 1909 moves are due with the next issue.

PRESS (surprisingly)

TWO MEN DEAD IN POWER SURGE Banjarmasin, Borneo (Aug 28, 1908). Two electrical engineers died today working on their experiment. They had found an ingenious method of producing electricity using quarks instead of electrons. The only problem was that it produced so much electricity that they died in the explosion, and sent a curre current backsurge into the nearby communications facility. An important message from Japan was lost in the melee.

HOK IE (1981D jm)

Winter 1913

Youngstown XII

MAJOR ADJUSTMENTS PROMT SEASON SEPERATION

- RETREATS: Russian A Skg disbands; USA F Ivo disbands, USA P Nfk-Tex.
- ENGLAND(Dorsey) Builds F Lpl, F Lon. Has F Nfk, A Neb, A Bos, F Gra, F NAtl, P Iri, P Eng, P Bre, F Spa(sc), P WMed, A Mun, A Ruh, A Bgy, F MAtl.
- PRANCE (Evans): Builds F Sen. Has P Ivo, A Gas.
- ITALY (Kendter): Removes A Boh, F Tyr. Has F Ion, F Tyn, F Apu.
- JAPAN(Wulff): Builds A Kyo, F Tok, A Oga. Has F SInd, F Som, F Wind, F Ade, F Mind, F Eind, A Sin, A Del, A Skg, A Tib, A Pek, A Man, A Via, A Hok, A Han, A Aus, F SPac, F Per, F Mag, F Tim, F Cal. One unit short.
- RUSSIA(Lowman): NMR; Removes A Inn. Has A Sil, A Oms, A Ukr, A Gal, A Sib, A Out, F StP(nc), A Mos.
- INSVAAL(Goltz): Builds F Dur, A Pre, A Loz. Has A Tun, A Sah, A Tua, F GoG, A Nig, A Cyn, A Ken, A Mog, A Gor, A Lom, A Cap, F Ade, A Yem, A Jor, P CGH, F Ant, P SAtl, A Arg, A Guy, F Moz. One unit short. TRANSVAAL(Goltz):
- TURKEY(Crosby): Builds F Smy. Has F Gre, F Aeg, A Tri, A Vna, A Ser, A Clu, A Rum, A Afg. A Sev, F Bla, A Arm, A Syr, F Per, A Ira.
- UNITED STATES (Bongard): Removes F Yuc, F CBr. Has A Cas, F Can, A Alg. P Tex, P Sar, F San, P Mgs.
- There has been a proposal of a four-way draw between Japan, Transvaal. England, and Turkey. Please vote on this with the next issue.
- Spring 1914 moves are due with the next issue. The Japanese moves A Kar-Hok and A Ctn-Han were listed as failing in the last issue. These moves succeded and should be changed to show this fact.

NEPTUNE(1985Crb32)

AUSTRIA REDUCES WARSAW: TURKS GOBBLING UP BALKANS PRANCE CONTINUES INSANE WAR AGAINST ITALY AS GERMANY CLOSES

NEPTUNE

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Spring 1903

RETREATS: German F Den-Bal, Italian P Tun-Ion.

AUSTRIA: Builds A Vie. A Gal-War, A Sil S A Gal-War, A Vie-Gal. Rum-Ukr/dsl. P Gre H. A Ser S

ENGLAND: Builde P Lon. F Edi. A Lpl. # Bar-StP(nc), F Den H, A Swe S P Den, F Edi-Nrg. F Lon-Nth. P Bel-Eng, A Lpl-Edi.

FRANCE: Removes & NAf. A Gas H/del. F Tun H. F Tyr S F Tun.

GERMANY, Builds F Kie. P Bal-Den. F Kie S F Bal-Den. A Ruh-Bel, A Hol S A Ruh-Bel, A Bre-uss, A Par S A Bre-Gas.

ITALY: Removes A Pie. A Tus-Rom. F Ion-Tun. P Wes S F Ion-Tun.

RUSSIA: Removes F Bla. P StP(sc) H, A War-Gal/dsl. A Ukr-Gal.

TURKEY, Builds F Smy. F Sev-Rum, A Bul S F Sev-Rum, A Con S A Bul, A Arm-Sev, F Smy-Aeg.

DIP. The Austrian army may retreat to Budapest or disband. The French a may retreat to Marseilles, Spain, Burgundy or disband. The Russian army may retreat to Prussia, Livonia, Moscow or disband. The French army Fall 1903 moves are due with the next issue.

DEEP-SIX(1985C)

Spring 1903

Diplomacy

AUSTRIA SURRENDERS, ITALY ATTACKS TURKEY; ENGLAND SAVES LIVERPOOL BUT LOSES EDINBURGH; GERMANY PROSPERS

RETREATS French P Eng-Iri.

AUSTRIA(Christie): Removes A Ser. A Tyo-Pie, P Alb-Adr.

ENGLAND(Mattern): Removes P Ska. P Eng H. A Wal-Lpl. P Lon-Yor.

FRANCE(Evans), Builds F Bre. A Pic H. A Gas-Mar. F Bre-Eng. F Iri-Lpl. P Por-Mid.

GERMANY(Crosby): Builds A Mun. A Mun-Tyo, P Hol-Bel, A Bgy S P Hol-Bel, A Bel-Edi, P Nth CON A Bel-Edi, P Den S P Nth.

ITALY (Ourts): Builds F Nap. A Ven H. A Bud-Ser, A Tri S A Bud-Ser, F Aeg-Smy, F Ion-Aeg, F Nap-Ion.

RUSSIA(Conlon): Builds A War. A Sev H F Swe-Ska, A Nrw-Swe, A Ukr S A Sev. A Sev H P Rum S AUSTRIAN A Ser-Bul/ANN, A Gal-Bud, A War-Sil.

Builds A Con. A Con-TURKEY(Prieto). Bul, A Bul-Rum, F Bla S A Bul-Rum, A Gre S ITALIAN A Bud-Ser, A Arm-Sev.

DIP. The Russian moves were done by Tom Johnson (2 Chaucer Dr., Newark, DE 19713). I am asking him to submit moves for Russia with the next issue. If Pat Conlon should not send in moves, Tom will become the permanent Russian player.

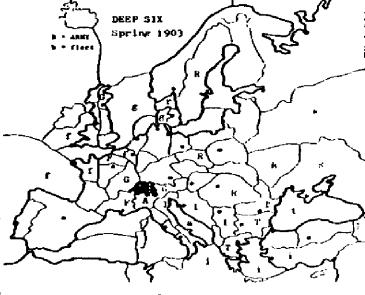
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PRESS ----

ROM-ANK: Our moment of glory is near! Standby!

Calm Downt I wasn't accusing you of foul play, just showing you how much \underline{I} intend to keep our truce. ROM-PAR:

ROM-VIE: Athens is miserably hot this time of year, so I opted for the cool, comfortable mountains of Bud.



VIE-MOS: Swift move!!!

VIE-World: Quick Camett

Geneva, Switzerland: What are those green things on English soil?!? No. they are Hunny Toads!!

ROMAN DAILY CHRONICLES

Special Report: A new political militia has sprouted in Sarajevo, Serbia. The Serbian Liberation Front has already begun attacking Austro-Hungarian Patrols in the area. Supply Depots were also sabatoged. The Roman senate is reportedly going to request the Emporer to Italy to aid the Serbs in their struggle to be free of Austrian tyranny.

AUSTRIA IN DUTCHT

TRIA IN DUTCHT _ Budapest, Austria
In a move that disproved all rumors of peace with the Dual Monarchy, the 5th Italian Army rolled into Budapest as bewildered Hungarians looked on in awe of the Italian military splender.

JACK DANIELS (1983Yrb32)

Fall 1909

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Fall 1909

PRANCE RETREATS INTO CENTER?; ITALY IN DIRE STRAIGHTS SEIGE OF SEVASTOPOL IS FINALLY OVER

PRANCE: F Mid-Eng, A Bre-Pic, A Gas-Mar, A Bel H/del, A Bgy S A Bel/del. GERMANY: A Wal-Bel, P Eng CON A Wal-Bel,

P Nth S A Wal-Bel, A Hol-Ruh, A Mun S A Ruh-Bgy, A Ruh-Bgy, A Boh-Yna, A Tyo S A Boh-Yna, A Gal-Rum, P Nrg H, 'retreating A Sil-War, A Mos-Sev, A Ukr S A Mos-Sev.

ITALY: <u>P Apu-Ven</u>, <u>A Pie-Mar</u>, F Tun-Trn, F Nap S F Tun-Trn.

RUSSIA: F Swe-Fin.

KEY, <u>A Sev S</u> A Rum/dsl, <u>A Rum S A Sev.</u> A Bud S A Vna, A Tri S A Vna, <u>A Yna</u> S A Tri, P Trn-Rom, F Ion-Tun, F Eas-TURKEY. Ion, P Alb S P Eas-Ion, P Aeg-Con, F Adr-Yen.

DIP: The French army in Belgium may retreat to Holland or disband. The Prench army in Burgundy may retreat to Paris or disband. The Turkish army may retreat to Armenia or disband.

Winter 1909 adjustments and Sring 1910 moves are due with the next issue.

There has been a proposal of a draw between Turkey and Germany. Please vote on this with the next issue.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART.....1909

PRANCE: Bre Mar Par Spa Por Hol?...............5/5 Constant* GERMANY: Ber Kie Hol?Bel Nwy StP Lpl Mun War Lon

ITALY: RUSSIA

TURKEY:

> *Prance will be at 6 centers if they retreat to Holland Builds will depend of their retreats
>
> Germany will be constant if France retreats to Holland OTurkey will build 2 if they disband A Sev







There are now two hobby-wide lists for people wishing to be on standby lists. One is being run by the Bill Quinn, the Boardman Number Custodian, and the other by Elmer Hinton, publisher of Kaissa. As both are just starting. I can not recomend either yet. The idea is very good, but I shall wait to see how well it turns out.

UNIVERSAL STANDBY FORM:

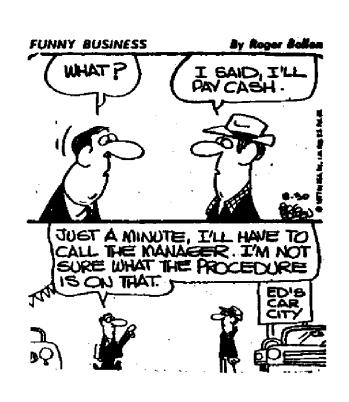
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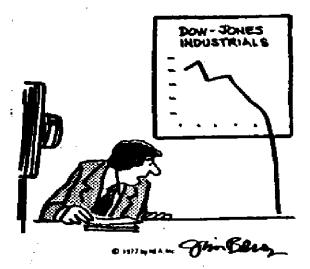
GENERAL STANDBY SERVICE: Names and addresses are listed (open) along with the number of offers desired. GM's needing standbies will request directly, must provide a zine sample, and, if the call is immediate, all pertinant game information (players addresses, SC ownership, House Rules, etc.). No charge, but user GM's must trade with Poundation to get this listing.

ALSO

GAME WANTED LISTING: Players can be listed for various games that they would like to see played, especially variants or rarely seen wargames. Pour insertions are carried (monthly) for \$1. Addresses aren't released, but offers are passed onto players through the custodian, who will also mention when such games finally fill and are taken.

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"HEAVENS TO BETSY!"



HMMY CARTER can think about lust -- why

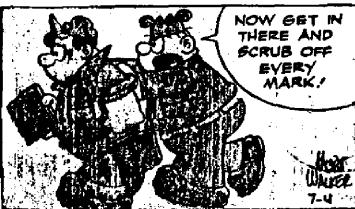
Destance Reading

by mort Walker









HOLD IT! DON'T SCRUB IT OFF!!

this flag, aymbol of the hopes of man, this (cloth of dreams for freedom, justice and opportunity, its stars like beacons quiding us through shoots of advorsity, its stripes like wounds of struggle. The good in it cannot be had for mothing, though, like any gorden, it must be tended, like any Loved one it must be held. Hold high this flag and keep its nomine fright for in at live the best of hope

I didn't expect to be met when the liner arrived in New York, but I was wrong. While excited passengers watched for the Manhattan skyline, I noticed that an acquaintance of mine seemed wrapped in a cocoon of thought. "Anyone meeting you, Jock?" I asked.

"Yes," he replied, "the most wonderful woman in the world."

"Your wife?"

"No. but she's the one who's made life worth living for me. When I was a displaced person, she took me into her home and helped me to get a job. Whenever I go away, she's always here to welcome me back." Suddenly, gesturing with his pipe, he said, "There's the old girl now." And emerging through the mist was the Statue of Liberty, her torch of welcome held high for all of us. -George Roosevelt (in Readers Digest)

A young man was studying the application for life insurance, left with him by the enterprising salesman. He came to the question, 'If your father is not living, state the cause of death.' (The unfortunate fact was that his father had been hanged.) After thought, he wrote, very carefully, 'He was attending a public function, when the platform on which he was standing gave way, and he was * 17 ed. He got the ... gurance. -Robbie Robinson (in Point Pleasant Register)

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