

THE ABYSSINIAN PRINCE #339

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Some of you are still not on the E-Mail list for this szine, I keep trying to sign you up, please accept the offer! I am being a bit more systematic about that right now. I am going ahead and finishing all the games here, and then we will see. There is interest in a NEW regular Diplomacy game. Sign up, let's see if we can get seven!

This issue continues the szine/subszine inversion. As most of you know, this thing began as a "subszine" to Terry Tallman's *North Sealth, West George*, then became its own szine with a host of subszines. The subszines remaining will appear as sub-subszines to our new flipfopped home in Doug Kent's *Eternal Sunshine*. Doug's incessant nagging is not keeping us on schedule, but will make it so we will charge forward and finish the remaining games that I have in here. After that, we'll see how it goes and what I do next. I'd like to keep writing and doing some game GMing. You all should see first what I actually do.

For production, in addition to the HTML's of each separate product on the web page, I will also have a PDF that you can print of the entire subszine (including my famous handdrawn maps!). You can just print the maps if you like, but remember maps are for pikers anyway, you don't need no steenkin' maps, keep them up in your head where they belong. I don't think there are very many people I owe money, but if you think I owe you money, just ask and I will pay. ONE GROUP that is definitely owed money is the players with NMR insurance. NMR insurance still continues, I will still call you for it, and when your game ends, I will refund the money.

General information about the mailing list is at: <http://www.diplom.org/mailman/listinfo/tap> You can sign up from there, or send E-Mails to: Tap-request of diplom.org; with the word 'help' in the subject or body (don't include the quotes), and you will get back a message with instructions. You must know your password to change your options (including changing the password, itself) or to unsubscribe.

THE ABYSSINIAN PRINCE LETTERS SECTION

((Let's keep talking about FTF tournament diplomacy! World DipCon is fast approaching in August 23-25 in Paris. See the WDC 2013 Facebook site or www.worlddipcon.com. I am not going to be able to go, but YOU all should. This is going to be a pretty tremendous turnout, led by the inimitable Toby Harris...))

((For these and other upcoming cons around the world: <http://devel.diplom.org/Face/cons/index.php>))

Nothing this time...

DIPLOMACY WORLD CUP TOURNAMENT IS ONGOING – YOU CAN STILL JOIN!

This is the latest incarnation of this team based tournament. I am helping to lead the Nor'Easter team for people in the Northeast part of the United States. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/123795024327261/> is the Facebook page for the event.

And you can sign up for the Tournament at: <http://aqmn.asciiking.com/>. Other US regional teams are the ones in the Pacific, Dixie, and Chicago. Its unique aspect, that is proving to be a bit distorting but in interesting ways, is its "solo only" feature. You advance from the preliminaries to the finals only by soloing, and then need solos in the finals against the other soloists. Though this started in January, it probably will be going on for at least two years, and there is PLENTY of time to jump in. As usual, for those who know me well, I screwed up my first game and allowed a solo to someone from team US. I still don't have a solo in over three decades, but maybe I can do it in my next game.

So, really, come join, it is being operated on a web-assisted Judge platform that is really pretty easy to use. Ask me if you have any questions. There is about to be a huge uptick in games starting as September approaches.

THE ABYSSINIAN PRINCE GAMES SECTION

I am continuing to note cut or failed support orders with a small “s” instead of a capital “S”. This will make it easier on the E-Mailed version of the zine to see what happened, since the italics don’t show there. The italics DO show on the web page just fine. Since I’m not postal mailing the zine any more, I’ve dropped back to just reporting the disguised E-Mail addresses. As someone notes, if you need some more contact information, go back to past issues or ask me.

Standby lists:

Mike Barno, Dick Martin, Brad Wilson, Jack McHugh, Glenn Petroski, Steve Emmert, Mark Kinney, Vince Lutterbie, Eric Brosius, Paul Rauterberg, Bob Osuch, Doug Kent, Sean O’Donnell, Heath Gardner, Paul Kenny, and Jeff O’Donnell stand by for regular Diplomacy. Let me know if you want on or off these lists, especially OFF given the new policies.

GAME OPENING INFORMATION

I’m going to start the game opening list over. Under the new regime, who wants to play?

DIPLOMACY: First off, another regular Diplomacy game is open. Spencer Sawyer, Doug Kent and Brad Wilson are in, anyone else?

BREAKING AWAY: Also, a new Breaking Away game is open. Currently Andy York, Rick Desper, and Brendan Whyte are on board. David Burgess or Doug Kent might be willing to play to fill it out. I’m going to dig up six people to do this next time, be one of them! This is the game I really like running and want to start another one. It’s easy, very low maintenance.

THE PHIL REYNOLDS MEMORIAL: 2006B, Regular Diplomacy

THE DUE DATE FOR SUMMER 1908 IS AUGUST 17TH, 2013

THE DUE DATE FOR FALL 1908 IS SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2013

Spring 1908

AUSTRIA (Burgess): *f AEG-bul(sc)*, a gal-RUM, a *VIE-gal*, a BUD S a gal-rum,
f ION C a pie-alb, a SER S a gal-rum.

ENGLAND (James): f edi-NWG, a LON h, a lvp-YOR, a den-SWE, f bel-NTH,
f TYH C ITALIAN a pie-alb, f NWY S a den-swe, a KIE S FRENCH a bur-mun,
f rom-NAP, f swe-BAL.

FRANCE (Williams): a par-BUR, a mar-PIE, f WES S f gol, a bur-MUN,
f GOL C ITALIAN a pie-alb, a TYO S a bur-mun.

ITALY (Crow): a pie-ALB.

RUSSIA (Barno): a mos-UKR, a SEV S AUSTRIAN a gal-rum, a *WAR-gal*, a BER h, *f SMY-aeq*,
a pru-SIL, *f GRE-ion*, a *rum-bul* (d ann), f GOB h.

E-Mail Addresses of the Participants

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TURKEY: Fred Wiedemeyer, wiedem of telus.net or wiedem of shaw.ca

Game Notes:

1) There seems to be a fairly wide range of coordination this turn, I wonder what’s next. We’re up and running again. Any interest in joining the new game? Or maybe the new Breaking Away game? But then, maybe we’re NOT going to keep going...

2) Meanwhile, an EF two-way draw is called for. If you fail to vote, you veto the proposal. Please vote with your Summer orders. No pressure either way. If you do send me Fall orders by the Summer deadline, we can keep going if you want.

Press:

(MIKE to DAVE, regarding YOUR ORDERS): “Cross your I’s and dot your T’s.” – Fathead (blues band).

(MIKE SEZ): For decades I’ve been a supporter of the Open Access movement in government records, in campaign finance, in corporate accountability, and in environmental impact. But I knew it had gone too far when I heard this on the radio: “St. Joseph’s Hospital features Open Access Colonoscopy.”

(BOOB SEZ): We always knew YOU didn’t have any interest in doing today’s work today, but now you ridicule a gastroenterologist who has figured out that if you eliminate the wait list and see everyone right away, you still do the same amount of work.

SPIRALS OF PARANOIA: 2005A, Regular Diplomacy
THREE WAY DRAW DECLARED BETWEEN FRANCE, GERMANY AND RUSSIA

Final Supply Center Chart

FRANCE (Tretick):	PAR,BRE,MAR,spa,lvp,lon, por,tun,nap	(has 9)
GERMANY (Ozog/Tallman):	KIE,BER,MUN,hol,den,bel,swe, vie,rom,bud,ven,tri,ser,edi	(has 14)
RUSSIA (Sundstrom):	WAR,STP,SEV,MOS,rum,ank,con, smy,nwy,gre,bul	(has 11)
Neutral:	none	(Total=34)

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Game Notes:

1) We had two medical replacements, as Buddy’s son Jim (who some of us played with many years ago as James Alan) was playing for Buddy as Eric was playing for Terry.

2) This one sort of ground to a three way draw. Thanks to everyone who played. Endgame statements are welcome, I’ll print the SC chart next time.

LAST WORD: I am going to combine a few last words this time... first off, I am not a great cook, nor am I a great griller, but I am converted to the idea of slow cooking with the grill cover closed. If you cook chicken wings at 225 to 250 for about two hours (with minimal lifts to brush more butter and marinade on them) with NO direct heat on the wings, only on a pan of water and a box of mesquite chips, the result is moist, tender and heavenly... second, I day-by-day and year-by-year keep remembering that the people in this Diplomacy hobby are the most amazing people on the planet, even Doug... and speaking of Doug, send your regards to him as his beloved dog Kayza (who most of you know from Lifeboat in *Eternal Sunshine* has gone to the big kennel in the sky, sincere condolences to Doug and Heather.

