a hundred years old. How does it feel to be alive after 100 years?" The great Fazdorf pondered for a moment and replied, "Well, considering the alternative ..."

For those of you who wish the great Fazdorf had chosen the alternative, this zine is published by Steve Heinowski, 1630 W28th St., Lorain, Ohio 44052 for a mere pittance — a pittance these days being worth about 33¢ or rather 33 1/3¢ (heaven forbid I should lose a penny). Seriously thought you are really reading this part of the zine, you must truely be hard up for something to do.

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Spanish pull a quick lead, but the end draws ever closer
WS & IM #1
3102/1101 = 3HC
                         3101 = 87/6
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                                                    15
                                                         03
                                                              04
                                                                   00
                         3102 = 96/6
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3211/1302 = miss
                         3211 = 013/5 G1302
                                                    08
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1101/3102 = 4HGR(L)
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                         1302 = Q13/2 G3211
1101/3211 = no B.S.
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1102/3104 = 3H2CG(L)
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                                                         15
2201/3210 - 3HRG(L)
                         3104 = $18/1
                                                              03
2202/3104 = void
                         3210 = P20/6 d
                                                    ***** struck *****
                         1101 = N8/6 d
                                                    ***** Struck ****
-2201 closer-
2203/3103 = 4R
                         1102 = R16/2
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3210/2201 = 2HR
                         2201 - N21/6
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                         2202 - V21/2 FS
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3103/2202 = void
                        -2203 = X20/2 FS
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-3104 closer-
3104/1102 = void
-3210 closer-
                      Note: Some moves void to striking/unable to raise FS (adjusted)
3211/M/1320 = -1/-4
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1978 CC XXXXXX

E(Byrne)

Due to Pat Flory's non receipt of the zine he has asked to extendent the season. From our phone conversation Pat asked that I relay his apologies to the members of the game for not noting sooner that his zine was mislaid by USPS.

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E(Hardisty)

f mac, f mac, f eng, f nth, f kie, a bur, a ruh, a sil, a ber

F(Kelly)

a min, a spa, a gas, f bre

I(Flory)

a arm, f bla, f aeg, f con, a gal, a vie, a bud, a rum, a tyo, a ser, f lyo, a pie,

f mac, f por, f wmd

R(Caruso)

a pru, a rum, a ukr, a sev, a mos
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1. An underline means it must retreat.

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1979 AV Fall 1908 England Sticks Russian Ally(?)
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f irs-h, f spa(sc)-mar(a bur s), f wmd-spa(sc)

F(Boggess)

I(Alden)

R(Kelly)

T(Ragsdale)

f irs-h, f spa(sc)-mar(a bur s), f wmd-spa(sc)

a mar-gas*R

f rom-nap, f lyo-spa(sc)

-all hold- a sil, a boh, a ukr, a mos, a war - A boh, a ukr = annihilated

a gal-ukr(a rum, a sev s), f bla sa sev, a ank-arm, a bul-ser, a vie-boh(a tyo s),

f nap-rom(a ven s), f ion-nap, f seg-ion, f tun-wmd
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a nwy-stp(f bar s), a ruh-mun(a ber s), f nth-h, f eng-mao, a bre-gas, f pic-eng,

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E H + por, swe, bre, spa, bel, dan, hol, kie, par, nwy, mar, stp, ber, mun

F === 0 out

O out

R war, mos

T H + bul, ser, gre, ven, tri, rum, bud, tun, vie, sev, rom, nap

17 build ... whatever

0 out

2 remove 1

15 build 2
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Press: Russ, to ally(?): How in the Hell do you expect me to keep my agreement to 'move exactly as you request' if you don't write and tell me what you want me to do?

Marmailles(?): Adieu for now, may the next best way, wante, whatever win.

Lon to Con: Bulldozer is on the way to help clear the space for parking lots. But the bull-dozer has been stopped by Gene's enormous force, that army is a real pain in my (fill in the blank).

Lon to Max: Please die!

Lon to GM: How long have I been playing one short? ((GM: Before answering that you must remember that I've only known you a comple of years, before that you'd have to ask someone else.))

1779 AV continued ...

Process Lon to GM: How long have I been playing one short? ((GM: Well, let's see eee I've known gow a few years, so I can vouch for that period, but before that you'd have to ask someone else.)) i åldn't even notice last turn!

1. An E-T draw has been proposed; vote with the next issue.

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3049 CA Winter 1908
.: Stevens)
               has a bud
              + a lon, a edi/ has A = par, war, mos; F = ion, bel, eng, nth, nwy, stp(nc)
T Brophy)
               a gal, a lvn/ has A = vie, boh, mun, bur, ruh; F = den
Hardisty)
I(Buchett)
               + a ven/ has A = tri, tyo, pie; F = adr, spa(sc), tum, nap, mar, por
" (Alden)
               + a con, a ank/ has A = sev; F = tyr, rum, bla
Figure and to ITA: You can expect an urgent dispatch within a week from London-concerning Ita/Eng
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strayegy and plane for world conquest.

Corse a Purther Follows:

Bog to Ger: Your quote contained two obvious ommissions - the word 'former' before friend and enomies -

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1980N Fall 1907 France Crumbling Y'all Unskewered
                                                                  f swe-bot
                f con-aeg, a sev-ukr, a mos-stp(a lvn s), a sil-mun, a mun-bur, a tri-alb,
A(Fassic)
                    a pie s(I)f lyo-mar
                f eng s(F)f mac-bre, f irs-mac, a kle sf den, (f hel s)m f stp(nc)-h*R-bar
\mathbb{E}(\mathbb{R}ugsdale)
                    f den sf swe(f nwy, f swe s)
                f mmd-lyo, f mao-bre, a spa sa mar(a mar s*Annihilated), a bur sa mar, a ruh-hol
F(MacLeod)
                a ber s(A)a sil-mun, f bal-kie
G(Kevern)
                f gas-spa(nc), f naf-h(a tun s), f lyo-mar, f tyr-lyo, f nap-tyr, f emd-ion,
I (Coughlan)
                    a tyo s(A)a sil-mun
R (Carusc)
                f bot - a fin s(A)a mos-stp
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A gre, ser, bul, rum, bud, vie, sev, ank, stp, mum
                                                                      10 +2
                                                                       7 -1
B H & nwy, den, kie, swe
                                                                       6 +1
F. bre, par, hol, bel, por, spa
                                                                       2 even
g war, ber
                                                                       8 even
  M + tun.tri.con.smy.mar
R mos
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Press: Russia to Italy: Oh yes, I forgot to tell you, he stuck the knife into me too, again. Wie: Archduke Fazdorf (now known as 'Duke') has decided to withdraw his troops from some amovinces, and to move on to bigger and better. The 'Duke' desires some Stp castles and Ukranian to I: Rest thy weary ships, oh conqueror of the west. Hope you like the harbor. 20 F: Doubtless you have retailed with some ethnic slur supon my personage; therefore: the did the Newfie bring a shovel on board his father's funeral shipm? Ans. Because Dad always marked a burial at sea. to E: We gain in the south, you gain in the north. Redundency ad infinibeneared Still, one coalition will peak and soon. to R: Sorry for not writing much. Studies are s 73% CA-CA to G: I should be a normal ((you should live so long)) Dip player and go for the win, as others would advise me to do; still, my temperament issists I stay with my 2 and "em, two) allies. Alas, alack. I,m on the way back home, to the Prussian forests. Etaly to France: Good move! Your address change I mean. SURELY you didn't think I meant ... TA HA HA HA HA (collapses into peals of body-racking laughter) Rome: The Italian fleet in Cascony was forced to stay there longer than anticipated (although way be out by now, just this feeling I get) so the Italian government directed its officiers to undertake an analysis of the provinces demographic structure. Shock and horror greeted gablication of the situation found in Casgony: a demoralized population still stunned from ars on the Mad Fraser's incessant joke telling: Atrocity story upon atracity story has tup. Much more is expected when Italy, as hopefully planned, conquers a large French urban - Such as Marsailles, or should we say "liberate" a large urban center such as Marsailles

(53-4)

Italy to England: Y'all pullin' mah laig, wh boah? But I would be lying if I denied the intense attraction that England has for me. Even as we speak, my fleets are streaming towards your verdent isle with more vino and pasta for your wretched masses (See, that's what drinking Budwiser did to them!) I know that you will do absolutely everything in your power to facilitate their immediate arrival.

Italy to Austria, No, you don't get normalisation of relations with England too! You consider

yourself too high, suh. Rick is a CAFTAIN and thou are butest a fresh shavetail!

Italy to Germany & Russia: WEll at least the scarecrow didn't get any weaker, but I think

the Tinsman lacks a brain as well as a heart (and Sweden and Moscow)

France to I: It would seem that Gary is labouring under the misapprehension that I hail from Newfoundland(Nfld) and not from Nova Scotia(N.S.) as is the actual case. Therefore a threat of Newfie jokes except if in extremely bad taste, are of no threat to me.

Did you hear about the Newfie family that was so stupid that they thought manual labor was a Mexmican. Recently, they moved to Memphis, Tenn.. A subsequent survey in both Nfld and Tenn

showed a significant increase in their respective average IQs.

Then, of course, there was the Tennessee gentleman, while on a winter vacation in the north, who bought a pair of ski-doo boots. Heard he broke four pair of laces trying to get them started.

It seems a relative of Faz's, one Mark Fazaroni, was a pilot in the Italian air force in the Med. theater of WWII. Poor Mark was being ribbed terribly by his fellow pilots for not ever having shot one British plane down. So, Fazaroni took off by himself vowing not to return until he shoot down his first plane. Eventually he came across 5 unescorted, unarmored transports(Br) and promptly proceeded to shoot down all 5. Overjoyed he landed his fighter at the first airfield he found, rushed over to a colonel standing nearby, shouting, "Ey, I justa shoot down five a British transports ... to which the officer quickly replied, "I say, bad luck, old chap."

??????: One day 2 Tennesee lads were out hunting. They had found and wre following a game trail thru the woods when they came upon a fork in the trail. It was decided that each would following a separate fork and that a gunshot would be the signal that the other had found some game.

Lad 'A', let's say his name was Gary for arguments sake, proceeded down the right fork.

A few minutes later, there came a crashing noise from the woods; Cary quicking took aim, fired then jumped into the woods after the game.

Some time later we find Gary nervously pacing in a hospital. As a doctor approaches, he rushes to meet him ... "Yes, yes, your friend will be OK... the gunshot wound was not serious but when you slit his throat you almost killed him."

1980 HQ Winter 1903 SE ASONS

A(Flory) even/ has A = gal, rum, vie, tri; F = adr

E(Goodrich) - f edi, f lpl/ has a yor

F(Hanson) + f bre/ has A = lon, mar; F = eng, mao, lyo

G(Byrne) + a ber, a mun, f kie/ has A = ven, tyo, edi; F = nth, swe

I(Molettiere) - a mar/nsu/ - a pie/ has $A = tus_1 F = tyr_1 spa(sc)$

R(Schwaninger) - a mos/ has A = lvn, mwar; F = nwg, nwy

T(Burnett) + f smy, a con/ has A = ukr, a sev; F = tum, gre, bul(ec)

Press: Moscow: As yet, we have seen no reason to ready the Turkish baths. Our anxiously plannedfor visitors seem hesitant to enter. Perhaps their campaign in Greece has slowed them up a bit.

Russian loyalists in Sweden: The citizens of this fair nation to the north would like to register a complaint about the treatment we've been receiving since the take-over by the Dutch pigs to the south. The Russians were such a gentle, trustworthy, considerate bunch of tyrants. These Germans are treacherous. They don't give a piddelu-do for us. We think they are actually out to win the game.

Lpl: Anybody got a good strong rubbest raft? I think the tide is going to be higher than ever this year.

Ger to the board: What is going on? I only should've got a build for Edi! to I: Are those word games getting to you? I teld you you'd have to blow me out of Ven! to Russia: I don't accept bribes; however, Phyllis does — she ate the gum and said anytime she can help, let her know. Sorry, but I really thought it was the only build I'd get. to GM: Watch those head lines buster or I'll lead the lynching mobs through Times Square in June! ((GM: I hope so; it is S.O.P. for the person being lynched to be at the head of the line, isn't it.

GM to Phyllis: You age the gum ... strange ...

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 Tiemson)
               f bar-ney(a fin s), f ney-nth, f cly-fao
  infess)
               + f bre/a bel-lon(f eng c), f bre-mac, a mar-pie, a naf-tum(f umd s)
 il in as)
               a hol-h, f swe-h, a sil-boh(a mun s), a tyo-vie(a gal s)
 ioggess)
               a ven-tyo(a pie s), a ser-bul, f ion-tyr(f tum s*Annihilated)
(Emyth)
               a stp-lvn, f bot-bal, a mos-sev, f rum s(T) a con-bul, a war s(G) a gal ((+ stp))
 nomine)
( sendon)
               f end-ion, a bul-gre(f aeg s), a con-bul
THESE (Par) The successor to the throne revealed today that while on an incognito vacation in the
hat he was victously accused of a henious crime and highly insulted. The King immediately sent
copresentative force to exact reparation...
    (StP) The St. Fetersburg Principle has kakkananounced the upcoming cornation of the Princess
Desk as Tserina of all the Russias. The sudden passing of her uncle Nicoli had left her highness
Aightly naseaus, but in otherwise good health. A sports fanatic, Her Highness is looking for a
factor palace equipped with ski-slope, ice skating rink, hunting lodge, bobsled run, and sauna.
er Highness has commissioned Col. I.C. Walruski to locate such an area "if he has to build one".
9330 Vinter 1901
(Derfield)
               + a tri, a vie/ has A = ser, bud; F = gre
               + f lon/ has A = wal; F = nwy, eng
(munley)
               → f bre/ has A = bel, spa; F = mao
(Stephens)
(nautral)
                a mun, f ber/ has f den, a sil, a kie
(Kevern)
               + a rom, f nap/ has A = mar, ven; F = tum
               + a mos/ has A = war, rum; F = bot, sev
(Hanzy)
                + f smy/ has f And, a con, a bul
(neutral)
1981 AA Fall 1901
(Boggess)
               a ser-rum(a bud s), f alb-gre
               a edi-nwy(f nth c, f nwg s)
 (Rudisill)
               î mao por, a pic-bel, a mar-spa
 Flowers
               a ruh-bel(f hol s), a kie-den
 (Goodrich)
               a tri-ser, a apu-tun(f ion c)
 Alden)
               f bot-swe, a lvn-war, a stp-fin, f rum s(A)a ser-bul*annihilated
(Kirmey)
(Frayne)
               a arm-sev(f bla s), a bul s(A)a bud-rum
                                                                5 +2
 Home - Mun, gre
                                                                4 +1
 Home + nwy
                                                                5 +2
 Home + bor.spa
                                                                6 +3
Home + bel, hol, den
                                                                5 +2
Home + ser, bun
                                                                4 +1
 moss war, stp. swe
                                                                5 +2
 Home of sev. bul
ress: Ger-Rus: And so we have peace in the north?
    Versailles: Rome - Berlin: How thoughtful! You obviously wanted to secure our French speaking
waghbor before you turned him over to me.
    Versailles to Lon, Rome & Ber: I hope none of you are suffering any communication problems.
    Dadspest: Pope Brian, you may have conquered one of my centers, but you'll never conquer me.
the Roy Scoutz said when he fixed his bxicycle horn; my motto is: "Beep repaired!"
    A comment was raised about a W/s move in 'Ol/ if you would like to see a W/s move submit
     If everyone does so I'll run it that way. If not ...
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Bids - player

none offered

Trades

400G/F165(TB)

018R/A003(AS)

150G/E045

232F/E170

TVs

A(1.72)

F(0.95)

I(1.60)

E(1,38)

G(0,32)

R(0.22)

. : : → bank

∄00/1,54(AS)

CONTRACTO

140/1,51(TB)

200/1,19(TB)

140/0**.67(TB)**

F = 100/0.49(TB)

I = 200/1.43(AS)

100/0,80(45)

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A(Ron Sorrell) E(Abx Service)	⊕∆ 5 5	6 6	Zine - STAB/Troy Snyder (53-6)
F(Tom Buffone) G(Gene Boggess) I(Fraser MacLeod) R(Bob Donaldson) T(Tom Ross)	4 5 4 6	4 3 4 6 4	All continuing players had the chance to review three stats fibefore conmencing play. This game was also refered to as "Stabwl".

Note to BNC: Please adjust Ter-ran records accordingly, noting the length of time this game existing in Stab. Related notes are being forwarded under separate cover.

Other: Houserules I have run off some of the old HRs for those who requested; if you want one let me know and I'll send you one, two, 100,

** Also, it occured to me that it's that time of year to restate them. If anyone has any commercabout them let me know before it's too late.

OTHER HOBBY STUFF

- 1. <u>Diplomacy World</u>/Jerry Jones, 1854 Wagner St, Pasadena Calif 91107. DW is a hobby mainstay as most of you know which contains a full everview of articles, a demo game, and information/articles on valuants. The current issue, #27, just arrived. Sub rates are \$5/year(4) with overseas and first class mailings being extra.
- 2. Third Class Costs: With the new postal rates any person who might normally use 3rd class mail should note that it costs exactly the same as first class mail up to 4 ounces. So, unless you're mailing an encyclopedia, send the thing first class. Clerks at our office normally will write "first" over your "third" class if you have the postage; others might not be so generous.

To get the (old) reduced rates you must mail 200 pieces per month, along with other stipulation and unless you're John Caruso, M Fassick(sorry that's posteneds), or one helluva writer, you're utuck with first class mail.

- 3. DipCon 82 Amnouncement: "The committee of 1/2/3 is announcing that they are now taking bids for DipCon 82. We are asking all interested parties to please write to Herb Barrents, 1142 S 96th Av., Zeeland, Mi 49464 with your intentions. We are asking those interested to TRY and make it to DipCon 81 being held with Origens 81 out in SF Ca on the July 4th weekend. If they are unable to attend but would like to have it we would be willing to take written applications to be voted on by the poeple of the DipCon Society. All you would have to do is to describe your con, the number of people, lodging, costs, and dates for the con, as well as a page or two describing yourself and the people putting on the con, as well as a page are on what you have been doing over the last couple of years in the way of cons and programs. All bids will be presented to the committe for selection. Dane 15, 1981.
- 4. Hobby Mascot Vote: The winner was Brux, Masters dog to which comment I would have to agree with: "voting was by personality of the nominator rather than the item itself, however eco
- 5. Hobby Queen: For those of you who felt shortchanged on the mascot vote, nominations are being taken by "Blackjack Masters, 25711 N. Vista Fariways Dr., Valencia, Ca. 91355. Nomiations can be anyone, living or dead, in or out of the hobby, such well known people as Queen Vitoris, M(Martha) Fassio, Marion Rates, Kathy, er. Byrne, Burtha Butts. If you need a CM sponsoor just sign my name to it, I'll sponsoor any Mingone. I presume a picture would help (hear that FAZE)
- 5. NEW GAMES in Mike's Mag/Michael T. Scott 1726 Cypress Circle, La Verne, Ca. 91750.

 A) Trafalger Variant: Using 15-20 Captains, commanding 3-4 ships. Gamefee = \$7, with a possibility of instituting a prize fund (winners take all I presume). Each player will have his own victory sanditions. Write for further details. b) The maxiplayer KM mentioned earlier has 30 players and norm can be made for up to 8 more. c)Machiavelli d) a Conquistador Derby. Mike's Mag is free to people who play in the games.
- R6. Empyrean Challange: I saw this game reviewed, favorably(?), recently and was reminded I cave a copy of the 1980 rules which I no longer have a use for. If someone wants it send (quite) few stamps, and it's yours, free. EC was a game I was involved with a couple of years ago(or so it seems) and they had some sjor problems in processing the turns. I can not say if those problems been corrected or not at this time. —first come, first serve/one only—

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1981G Germany' Alex Service, 102 Awad Park, Erin, NY 14838 1981G Turkey - Dan Mathias, 40 Long Pond Rd. Scuth, Ledyard. Conn 06339

Burnett, (Haiber), Stephens, Faz, Kelly, Alden, Henry, Caruso, Service 20 Table (Massits: - 1978HJ --

The base of a Baggass) Game? What game? Was I in a game? At least I was out of it before I could be a base by John Caruso was

Some of the issues were individually handwritten. Perhaps this should have warned to be orphaned. I'm grateful to Jerry Jones and Steve H for their efforts have rained the game. Randolph Smythe was the last in a series of Russian allies. He restited, much sooner than I, the unlikelyhood of defeating John Caruso's 13 center (and growing) watris. I am only thankful that a draw was obtained since John seemed destined to continually bush his way west and north.

Russia - Smyth/draw) When I got into this game, it looked like a lemon of a position. Russia of and held standy at "-8 centers for the past few game years (and was fated to do me the same for the next four to game's end), but the two giants. Austria and England were both coming for me. They had 23 centers split more or less evenly between them and could have easily cleaned out everywhere if their alliance had been "true". My prospects didn't look much better than the one-center taly.

Luckily the correspondence revealed a few cracks in the "alliance" and a glimmer of hope chare through. The two big guys both <u>said</u> they would prefer to go after the other, and were only charge for me because my predecessor had been unreliable. Having the reputation of a good(?) character does help at times; I pointed out that things had changed and offered them the chance to make their actions with their words. Austria didn't, but England did.

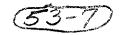
The English withdrawal from Seandinavia kept me even in spite of losses to the Austrian attacks down south, and with the E/R alliance confirmed, I began the process of shifting my Scandinavian armies to the Austrian front. Throughout theis period, I actually engaged in more correspondence with John than with Alex, looking for a satisfactory way to end our battle, but we never able to trust one anothers at one point he acused me of plotting to win the game!

While Alex was originally planning to cruch John and split the board two ways, the Austrian from the minor powers ascon made this impossible. Towards the end, it was all we could do not him short of 18; in fact, I'm surprised that John allowed the draw to go through before talemate lines had firmed up. In the final seasons, my annalysis showed that Austria would hable to invest the units to protect Tun, Italy and Mun from England, hold all the adjacent against my most valuable unit. F BLA, and still make a successful attack on Mos and WAR, waters he needed to win. Still, an NMR or other error by either Alex or myself could have him the necessary edge, and it was gentlemanly of him not to drag the game out in making tempt.

tempt.

The it was quite an interesting standby position as it turned out, and lasted just the right of times any longer and the poskition would have locked up and become a bit boring, but I had to abve fought for as long and as hard as I did -- it makes me feel that I carned the piece draw.

Togratulations to the other survivors/dragers, and a big thanks to Steve for an excellent Chi



Dear Slime, Tell Faz that 'Michalali' is pronounced, "What-a-hunk!". Signed: Toot's Lover ((Dear Lover, that's what you masé to say about the Faz too until you met him, but never mind I'll pass on your love note anyway ...))

Dear Slime, What do you kin think of some of the letters you get addressed to you? Honestly, there are some real gumballs out there! For example — to DS, terror of Iowa U (an Italian debter's note no doubt): Sir, I'm abashed! You recieved the best page of Steve's rag, the page with my jokes on them, and you made pooh-pooh about it?! May the Jolly Green Giant use Whitey's Excercise Farm as a footrest! To Flash Coughlan, the Memphis Mauler: If you can't talk normally, you shouldn't be corrupting impressionable young diapers, er digers, with that suth'n zeen of y'orn. By the way when you speak Korean, do you speak ... 'South' Korean? Yuck, tuck. To "toots" whoever he may be, the reply kyou sent on how to promounce 'burn' had to be a joke, I mean it cozed with typical NY humore - little to non.

PS. Can I have a date with Phyllis?

Signed Fas

((Actually You should go out with Phyllis, you two seem to have borrowed from the same joke book often enough. If she's reading this I'll ask her if she's interested in someone who's tall, dark, and hayaspachornrimmed; if so, write Faz, he's lonely.))

Dear Slime, Hey - do you know what they call the prettiest girl in Memphis?

((no, what do they call the prettiest girl in Memphis))

A tourist. Signed, North by northwest

An open letter from:

Diplomacy Temperance Crusade 18 Center Boulevard Paris. Tennessee 38677

Dear Mr Heinowski, My name is Cal Boardman, and I am the regional director of the Diplomacy Temperance Crusade. You may have heard of our organization which is concerned with the growing number of young men and women who are throwing their lives away in the unbridled persuit of a "win" in the game of Diplomacy.

For the past six years I have conducted an annual crusade against the evils of Diplomacy playing by touring the Eastern United States and giving lectures in churches, on college campuses, and wherever else we could find an audience. On these tours I would take along my assistent, Mr. Edi Buchanan. Edi had been a young man of good family background with a once-promising future. Unfortunately, a 'friend' introduced him to the game of Diplomacy one evening, and it gradually progressed on its immaidious course from a mere passtimme to an addiction. What started out as an occasional game among friends evolved unnoticed by him into an every-weekend obsession, with strangers (euphemistically reffered to as 'new blood') being dragged in off the street just to satisfy his desire for a good stab. Then he graduate to the "hard stuff" - postal Diplomacy.

Edi was hooked and he knew it, but he just couldn't excape. Everything went to support his habit; he sold his stereo system, hiz appliances, his car, and finally even his back issues of Diplomacy World just to pay for envelopes and postage stamps. When he tried to mortgage his house to maintain his subscriptions to all his Diplomacy zines, his wife knew he had gone off the deep end and she brought him to us. He was a broken man.

We attempted to rehabilitate young Edi, but in such cases there is little hope, despite the ever-increasing amount of medical research being done it this area. Although unable to free himself from the addiction, Edi was determined that no one else should fall into the same trap, so he asked to accompany me on my tours to help in whatever way he could. He used to sit beside me on the stage, his fingers twitching as if around the hilt of a knife, his eyes widely attempting to watch in 6 directions at once, and mumbling such incohereint phrases as "a par sa bur-mm" and other such nonsense. I would point to him as a terifying example of the evils of Diplomacy, and I true believed his appearance helped save many young men and women from the temptation to play that dangerous "first" game.

We had hoped young Edi might be scured but it was not to be; when his counselor found some variant mapsheets in his room, Edi claimed to be "tapering off", but when we confronted him with the theft of some postcards from the office supplies, Edi admitted it — he had joined another game "Just one" he pleaded, but he knew it wouldn't last — and so did we. We insisted he quits cold turkey. We thought with our help he could do it, but we were wrong; he committed suicide last month by stabbing himself in the block. Since our Spring tour begins shortly, we have been looking for replacement. A mutual friend has given me your name, suggesting you are a much better example of how Diplomacy can lead someone to ruin. Please let us know if you can come along as soon as possible due date is 15 May. Sincerely Calbamer Walker Boardman. ((who?))

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