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R A N D O M R A M B L I N G S

(1) This issue is slightly late. The adjudications for Fred Brenner's games should have come out on Friday while the adjudications for the other games should have come out last Friday. This delay is primarily due to the fact that I had three tests last week and a lot of other work to do. I am in New York City at the moment and will be returning to Cambridge tomorrow (Tuesday) night. This issue will get run off Tuesday night and mailed Wednesday morning. That should leave 19 days from mailing until the next deadline.

(2) From now on, deadlines will be on Mondays with the Tetracuspid coming out the following Monday. This change was made primarily to reflect reality. In the past, when the deadline was on a Friday, I did not start to work on the adjudications until the following weekend. This change will therefore give the players a few days to negotiate.

RANDOM RAMBLINGS (continued from page one)

(3) In the past, I have been very lenient regarding late orders. I usually would except orders up until the moment I adjudicated the game or games in question. Effective immediately this will no longer be the case. Allowing late orders is unfair and can grossly change the outcome of a game if a player receives a note which he was meant to receive after the deadline and then changes his orders. So, effective immediately, no late orders will be accepted.

(4) While on the subject of orders, I will state once again ~~that~~ orders for a game must be sent to the gamesmaster for that game. I will not forward orders to other people. I will throw them in the garbage!

(5) The standby situation has improved quite a bit. However, I could still use some more standbys. If you are interested in standbys please let me know. At the moment my standby list consists of David Lagerson, Ron Kelly, Steve McLendon, Doug Hollingsworth, Eric Verheiden, Chris Schleicher, Don Blasland, Lee Kendter, Wayne Norton, and Andy Cook. Alan Rowland and Roland Straten were dropped from the list for failure to submit standby orders when requested.

(6) I am thinking about opening one more game of regular Diplomacy. Three games have ended this issue and a couple more should end in the new future. If I do open any new games they will be guest-gamesmastered. So, if you are interested in guest-gamesmastering a game herein, please let me know. The requirements are few and the details can be worked out.

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All trades are quite welcome.

I have five gameopenings in a game of the award-winning DND Diplomacy to be guest-gamesmastered by its designor, Trevor Baillie. This game will be using the Koval Publications Houserules dated July 1st, 1976 as modified by the rules for DND Diplomacy contained in the Tetracuspid, Number 22. The rules may be obtained from me for an SSAE or drop me a note and I will enclose a copy with your next issue. To play in this game you must maintain a subscription or trade, pay a \$2.00 gamefree, and maintain a \$3.00 deposit.

GENERAL INFORMATION (continued from page two)

which will, as stated in the house rules, be deposited in the ISE (International Subscription Exchange). This deposit will only be refunded if you stay in the game until you are eliminated or the game ends. Players from New Jersey and Nova Scotia are not eligible to play in this game. Please send me your preference list and a lump sum of money if you want to play.

Game openings in regular Diplomacy may be available soon. Please see Random Ramblings, # 6.

I am looking for guest-gamesmasters for games of regular Diplomacy. Please see Random Ramblings, # 6

Standbys are needed. To be eligible to standby the only requirement is that you regularly receive the Tetracuspid. If you're interested in standbys please let me know. Please see Random Ramblings, # 5 for my standby list.

Anyone writing an article which is published herein will receive two cents of sub credit per line used toward anyone's account. This money can even be used to provide a sub for someone else. However, it may not be refunded. Your articles are greatly appreciated.

I am a member of DNYMPA (Duh New York Mafia Protective Association). This means that should I stop publishing the games contained herein will be rescued by the other members of DNYMPA. DNYMPA is a group of publishers from the New York and New England area whose sole purpose is to insure each others' games. To the best of my knowledge the other members of DNYMPA are:

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To fill up this page I will relate a recent incident regarding what some people call music. I was sitting in my room one night last week listening to an FM radio station (WVBF Boston) when for the nth time that night (n was greater than 10) they played the disco version of the theme from Star Wars. I decided that I'd had enough and called the station requesting that they play the original soundtrack for once as opposed to the disco version which makes many people including me sick. I was told that they couldn't. When I was foolish enough to ask why I was told that it wasn't a hit. Would you believe that? I then proceeded to try to find a decent station (without luck of course). DISCO IS THE PITS!!!

T H E G A M E S

1974FQ

FALL 1909

The French-Italian draw proposal was defeated. There has been a proposal for a three way French, Italian, and Russian draw. Please vote on this with your next set of orders.

The deadline for Winter 1909 orders is Sunday October 30th, 1977 by phone and Monday October 31st, 1977 by mail.

England (Civil Disorder)
FLvp H.

France (Ken Johnson)
ABur S AMun, AGas S AMar, AMar S FSpa(sc), AMun S Russian ASil,
FBre S FMid, FMid S FSpa(sc), FPor S FSpa(sc), FSpa(sc) S AMar,
FIri - Lvp, FHol H.

Italy (David Lagerson)
AWar retreats to G.I.
FBla supports the galant English FLvp (FBla H). ABoh S AGal - Sil,
ASev S AUkr - Mos, FWes S FNAf - Mid/NSO see below/, FLyo S FWes,
FTus S FLYo, ABud - Gal, AGal - Sil, APie - Mar, ARum - Ukr,
ATyo - Mun, AUkr - Mos, AVen - Tri, FIon - Tun, FNAf - Mid/NSU/,
FTun UOH.

Russia (Roland Straten)
ALvn S AStp - Mos, APru S AWar, ASil S AWar, AWar S ASil, AStp -
Mos, FBer Bal, FBal UOH.

Turkey (Ron Kelly)
AArm S Italian ASev

SUPPLY CENTER CHART

ENGLAND - LVP. EVEN.
FRANCE - BEL, BRE, EDI, HOL, LON, MAR, PAR, POR, SPA, MUN. EVEN.
ITALY - BUD, BUL, CON, GRE, NAP, ROM, RUM, SER, SEV, SMY, TRI,
TUN, VEN, VIE, ~~WAR~~. -1.
RUSSIA - BER, DEN, MOS, NWY, STP, SWE, KIE, WAR. +1.

NMR PROTECTION

I have winter orders on file from Russia.
I have general orders on file from Russia.
I have permission from David Lagerson to call collect if I don't
receive his orders by the night before they are due.

1974FQ

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PRESS

(Warsaw) The victorious General Pedosky *rode* into Warsaw to hear the cheer of thousands as people lined the road. He proclaimed "We will never stop fighting until the Italians' consider us equals. We are a peace loving nation and will immediately cease hostilities if the French and Italians will also do their part in rebuilding the world. If the Italians continue to attack, *the* Russian army will not stop until Rome is destroyed."

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1975CM

FALL 1907

There has been a proposal for a three way draw between England, Russia, and Turkey. Please vote on this along with your next set of orders.

The deadline for Winter 1907 orders is Sunday October 30th, 1977 by phone and Monday October 31st, 1977 by mail.

England (Eric Verheiden)

FSpa(sc) S FWes, FWes S FMid - Naf, FBre - Mid, FMid - Naf,
AHol S AKie, FNth - Den, ASwe - Den, ABur - Mun, AKie S ABur - Mun,
APar H.

France (Civil Disorder)

FLyo H.

Germany (Karl Schuetz)

ARuh S English AKie.

Italy (Steve McLendon)FApu - Nap, Fven H/is dislodged and must retreat to Adr or OTB/.Russia (Richard Kovalcik, Jr.)

FBal - Lvn, FBer H, AMun H, ASil S AMun, AWar H.

Turkey (Donald Blasland)

FTun - Wes, FTyr - Rom, FAlb - Ion, FIon - Nap, ATyr S ATri - Ven,
ATri - Ven, AVie H, ABud - Tri, ABul - Ser.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART

ENGLAND - HOME, NWY, SWE, DEN, BEL, POR, HOL, BRE, KIE, PAR, SPA.
+3.

FRANCE - MAR. EVEN.

GERMANY - ~~MUN~~, ~~KIE~~. -1. OUT.ITALY - ~~ROM~~, ~~VIE~~, ~~TRI~~, ~~VEN~~, NAP. -1 or EVEN.

RUSSIA - HOME, BRE, MUN. +1.

TURKEY - HOME, BUL, SER, RUM, BUD, GRE, TUN, ROM, VEN, TRI, VIE.
+4.

1975CR

SPRING 1907

There were a number of errors in the position published last season. Italy has FGre not Russia. Austria has FAlb not Italy. Italy has FAdr. Russia has FBul(ec). These errors should have been pretty evident so I won't bother to delay the game.

The deadline for Fall 1907 orders is Sunday October 30th, 1977 by phone and Monday October 31st, 1977 by mail.

Austria (Civil Disorder)

AGal UOH is dislodged and must be retreated to Boh, Ukr, or OTB/,
FAlb UOH is dislodged and annihilated/, ASer UOH, AWar UOH.

England (Alan Rowland???)

Alan Rowland failed to submit orders for this position as I asked him to. Rather than appoint a standby, I will hope that Alan Rowland will get his orders in. If not, I will let the position go into Civil Disorder.

ASwe UOH, FDen UOH, FNwg UOH.

France (Tony Watson)

AHol S ABur - Ruh, FLon S FBel - Nth, ABur - Ruh, AGas - Bur,
AKie - Den, APAr - Pic, FBel - Nth, FBre - Eng, FCly - Edi,
FSpa(sc) H.

Germany (Eric Verheiden)

ABer S AMun, AMun S ABer, FNth - Edi is dislodged and must retreat to Bel, Hel, Nwy, Ska, Yor, or OTB/

Italy (Doug Hollingsworth)

ABud S AVie - Gal, FGre S FAdr - Alb, ABoh - Sil, ATri - Ser,
AVie - Gal, FAdr - Alb, FNap - Tyn, AVen H.

Russia (Ron Kelly)

ASev - Mos, FBul(ec) - Rum, FAeg - Ion, FStP(sc) H.

NMR PROTECTION

I have no fall orders on file.

I have no general orders on file.

I have permission from Eric Verheiden to call collect if I don't receive his orders by the night before they are due.

1975GI

SPRING 1906

In the Tetracuspid, # 23 I listed Russia as having FBal. It does not. It really has FBla.

The deadline for Fall 1906 orders is Sunday October 30th, 1977 by phone and Monday October 31st, 1977 by mail.

1975GI

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Austria (Ron Kelly)

ASmy S Russia FAnk - Con, FEas S ASmy, AVie - Tyo/is dislodged and must retreat to Boh or OTB/, FIon - Aeg.

England (Eric Verheiden)

FLvp - Cly.

France (Karl E. Schuetz)

ABel S APar - Bur, FLon S FEng - Nth, FNAt S FIri - Lvp, APar - Bur, APie - Tyo, FEng - Nth, FIri - Lvp.

Germany (Doug Hollingsworth)

FNth C AEdi - Den/is dislodged and must retreat to Den, Hel, Nwg, Ska, Yor, or OTB/, AEdi - Den, AMun - Sil, ARuh - Hol, FDen - Bal, FBal - Bot.

Italy (Laurence Gillespie)

ATri - Vie, AVen - Rom, FAdr - Ion, FNap - Tyn.

Russia (Lee Kendter, Sr.)

AArm S FAnk, ABud S Italian ATri - Vie, ARum - Bul, AFin S FSwe, FBla S ARum - Bul, FNwy S French FEng - Nth, AWar - Gal, FAnk H, FSwe H.

Turkey (David Lagerson)

FCon - Smy, FGre - Ion.

NMR PROTECTION

I have no fall orders on file.

I have no general orders on file.

I have permission from Lee Kendter, Sr., David Lagerson, and Eric Verheiden to call collect if I don't receive their orders by the night before they are due.

PRESS

(Germany) The Spendthrift - Is Bexley Hall at Harvard or MIT? ((Harvard??? What's Harvard? Oh, that's a small liberal arts college in the backwoods along the Charles River in Massachusetts. Isn't it? Bexley Hall is at MIT, right accross the street from the main building.))

(Naples) Rome will be Italian again!

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1975GJ

FALL 1906

RUSSIA WINS! Although the concession to Russia failed, Russia picked up two more centers for a total of nineteen.

1975GJ

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There were two errors last season. First of all, I omitted the Russian order ASwe - Den. In addition since the Russian order AVie - Gal failed the German order ABoh - Vie should also have failed. This meant that Germany had ABoh not AVie. This ordinarily would have been reason to delay the game except that there is nothing Germany could have done to stop Russia from winning and the German player will be away for most of October so the delay would have had to be almost two months.

Anyway, next issue I will have the game wrapup with year by year totals and any commentary the players send in.

England (Jim Benes)

NMR.

FLvp UOH.

France (Eric Verheiden)

ABur S AMun, AMun S ABur, FPor - Spa(sc).

Germany (Wayne Norton)

ABer S ARuh - Mun, AHol - Bel, ARuh - Mun, FBel - Pic, FKie - Den, AVie - Bud/NSU see above/, ABoh UOH.

Italy (~~Joe Blaxlock~~ - Ron Kelly)

AVen S FTri, APie - Tyo, ASpa - Gas, FMar - Lyo, FTyn - Ion, FTri H/is dislodged and must retreat to Adr or OTB/

Russia (Tom Ripper)

ABud S FAlb - Tri, ASer S FAlb - Tri, AVie S FAlb - Tri, FAlb - Tri, FCly - Lvp, FDen - Kie, ABul H, ACon H, ALvn H, ANwy H, ASwe H, ARum H, AWar H, FBla H, FLon H.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART

ENGLAND - LVP. EVEN.

FRANCE - BRE, PAR, MUN, SPA. +1.

GERMANY - BER, KIE, BEL, HOL, ~~XOX~~, POR. -1.ITALY - NAP, ROM, VEN, ~~XXI~~, TUN, MAR, ~~SFA~~. -1 or EVEN.

RUSSIA - MOS, SEV, STP, WAR, BUD, BUL, CON, EDI, NWY, RUM, SER, SWE, ANK, DEN, GRE, SMY, VIE, LON, TRI. +4. 19 UNITS and WINS!

1975HP

SPRING 1907

The draw between Austria and England was agreed to. Fred Brenner did not send me the adjudications for this season's orders so I have nothing else to report now.

Next issue we will have the game wrapup including the yearly totals for supply centers and any commentary the players send in.

1975HQ

FALL 1907

An explanation is in order. Richard ((in his (my) usual careless fashion)) asked Alan Rowland to standby for England. Well, Alan was already playing Turkey! Ron Kelly sent me orders for England, and I used them. I really think it created no problem as the game ended anyway.

England (Ron Kelly)

ABur retreats to Mun.

AMun H/is dislodged/, ABer S AMun, FKie S/???, ABel H/is dislodged/, FYor - Edi/NSU/, FNth - Nwy, APru - Lvn, AStP S APru - Lvn/is dislodged/

France (Tom Ripper)

AGas - Spa, ABur - Bel, FPic S ABur - Bel, AHol S ABur - Bel, AMar - Bur, FNwg - Nwy, FEdi - Nth, FLon S FEdi - Nth, AYor H.

Italy (Karl Schuetz)

FTus - Rom, FWes - Tyn, FTun S FWes - Tyn.

Turkey (Alan Rowland)

Fion UOH, ARom H, ASil - Mun, ABoh S ASil - Mun, ATyr S ASil - Mun, FAeg - Ion, FNap S FAeg - Ion, FBla C ABul - Sev, ABul - Sev, AGal - War, ALvn - StP, AMos S ALvn - StP.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART

ENGLAND - NWY, DEN, SWE, BER, KIE, ~~STP~~, ~~NØZ~~, ~~ØEZ~~. (5)
 FRANCE - BRE, MAR, PAR, POR, SPA, LON, EDI, LVP, BEL, HOL. (10)
 ITALY - TUN, ~~ROM~~, ~~NAP~~. (1)
 TURKEY - ANK, CON, SMY, BUL, BRE, MOS, SEV, RUM, SER, BUD, VIE,
 WAR, TRI, VEN, ROM, NAP, MUN, STP. (18) WINS!

I (Lee Kendter) do not know if I have all the back issues for this game. Therefore, that's why there is no final year by year chart in this issue. However, I will research my files and attempt to have one for next issue.

1976BU

FALL 1902!!!

It seems that there was a mistake in the Fall 1902 adjudications. Fred Brenner has corrected this mistake below and wants everyone to resubmit winter orders. This is somewhat out of the ordinary but he's the GM. If you have any complaints, please send them to Fred.

The new deadline for Winter 1902 orders is Sunday October 30th, 1977 by phone and Monday October 31st, 1977 by mail.

1976BU

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Now for the correction: The English order of AYor - Den should have succeeded. Russia ordered FBal - Den supported by FSwe but Russia doesn't have FBal, it has FBla which was unordered and held. So Austria, England, and Germany all build one. Russia removes one. All the other countries are even.

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1976IJ

WINTER 1902

The deadline for Spring 1903 orders is Sunday October 30th, 1977 by phone and Monday October 31st, 1977 by mail.

Austria (Eric Verheiden)
Builds ATri.

England (Lee Kendter, Jr.)
Builds FLvp.

France (Ron Kelly)
Removes FPor.

Germany (Bill Nielsen)
Builds FKie and AMun.

Italy (Roy Smith)
Builds FNap.

Russia (Dave Ditter)
Is even.

Turkey (Steve McLendon)
Is even.

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1977HS

SPRING 1901

Please note Ira Rosen's new address on page one.

The deadline for Fall 1901 orders is Monday October 31st, 1977.

Austria (Eric Verheiden)
ABud - Ser, FTri - Alb, AVie - Tri.

England (Lars Selberg)
FEdi - Nwg, ALvp - Yor, FLon - Nth.

1977HS

CONTINUED

France (Alan Rowland)

FBre - Eng, AMar S APar - Bur, APar - Bur.

Germany (Roland Straten)

ABer - Kie, FKie - Den, AMun - Ruh.

Italy (Tom Ripper)

FNap - Ion, ARom - Apu, AVen H.

Russia (Fredrick Zornow)AMos - StP, FStP - Bot, FSev - Bla, AWar - Ukr.Turkey (Bob Brown)

FAnk - Bla, ACon - Bul, ASmy - Con.

NMR PROTECTION

I have fall orders on file from France.

I have no general orders on file.

PRESS

(Paris to Berlin) It is most unfortunate that despite Germany's great advances in industry, science, education, and culture that the leader of the German Empire should be illiterate as are the other Princes of the Empire. In order to rectify this deplorable situation, France has mobilized its teachers and is prepared to eradicate German illiteracy in the face of any opposition.

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This issue counts as ten pages. Until next time may the force be with you.

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