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The gamesmasters are:

Richard Kovalcik, Jr. (1975CR and 1975GI)

Fred Brenner (1975CM, 1976BU, and 1976IJ)

Ira Rosen (1977HS)

Trevor Baillie (The DND Diplomacy Game when it starts)

Addresses for the other people who receive the Tetracuspид can be found elsewhere in this issue.

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See page 3 for information on the state of the Tetracuspид and its games.

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G E N E R A L I N F O R M A T I O N

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All trades are quite welcome.

I have four 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 gamefee, and maintain a \$3.00 deposit which will, as stated in the houserules, 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, Nova Scotia, and the Virgin Islands 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. If this games is not filled up by the time I return from Europe (see "Random Ramblings"), it will be cancelled and I will return everyone's money.

Gameopenings in regular Diplomacy may be available soon. Ira Rosen has expressed an interest in playing and Donald Blasland and Rod Walker have expressed an interest in guest gamesmastering. If you are interested please let me know.

Standbies are needed. To be eligible to standby the only requirement is that you regularly receive the Tetracuspid. If you're interested in standbying please let me know. My list of standbies before this issue was:

Eric Verheiden
Don Blasland (used this issue for 1977HS Germany)
Lee Kendter, Sr. (used this issue for 1977HS England)
Wayne Norton
Andy Cook
Gary Kilbride
David Lagerson
Ron Kelly
Steve McLendon
Doug Hollingsworth
Chris Schleicher

If any of the above would like to be dropped from the standby list, please let me know.

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 (which I really don't plan to do) 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 areas whose sole purpose is to insure each others' games. The other members of DNYMPA are:

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

1) This issue is about a month late. I could make excuses if I wanted to, but I won't bother. Let's just say that things got somewhat better and hopefully they will continue to do so. Unfortunately, I still have not gotten the adjudications from Fred Brenner for his games. He told me that he mailed me the adjudications a few days after the deadline and again last Thursday but I never got either copy. As soon as I get the adjudications, I will send them out.

2) So far, there has only been one concrete proposal to transfer a game. That game is 1976IJ. Roy Smith and Bob Sergeant have proposed moving it to his zine, Saint George and the Dragon. I presume that Bob would GM it. The players and the GM are asked to send in their votes on this to me by the deadline for the games, June 26th, 1978. The vote to transfer must be unanimous to pass. If anyone else would like to propose transferring any other games, please let me know.

3) As to the summer, I will be going to Europe on about July 6th. The next deadline is Monday, June 26th. I will have the next Tetracuspid out by about Monday, July 3rd. The next deadline after that will be Friday July 21st. The orders for my two games

(1975CR and 1975GI) should be sent to Roy Smith (address elsewhere in this issue) who will be running them for that season only. Roy will be running my games in his promising new zine, Brew and Reefer. The orders for Ira Rosen's game should be sent to him. Ira will be running his game for that season by carbon copy I presume. The orders for Fred Brenner's games should probably be sent to him assuming I ever get the current adjudications and send them to you. I presume that Fred will also be running his games by carbon copy for that season. The next deadline after that will be Monday August 21st when all orders should be sent to the real gamesmasters (Fred, Ira, or I). The GMs will send the adjudications which will be published in the Tetracuspid. The Tetracuspid will then come out about a week after that. (I will be returning from Europe some time between August 1st and August 18th.) After that everything should be back to normal.

4) Please send your orders to the correct GM!!! Last issue I forgot to list Ira Rosen as the GM for 1977HS which caused some confusion but many people in other games sent me their orders when they shouldn't have.

5) The following COA's can be found in the address list contained elsewhere in this issue. All the COA's are effective already.

Fred Brenner
Bob Brown
Ira Rosen
Eric Verheiden
Fred Zornow

6) The following people are no longer receiving the Tetracuspid because they let their subscriptions lapse. Roland Straten was replaced in 1977HS because of this.

J. Dittmar
S. Doehrer
McNally
Marley
Marzagalli
Straten
Szuscikowicz
Tutacko

7) John Leeder is once again running his North American Zine Poll. To participate: 1) list all the North American zines which you currently receive, giving each one a rating on a scale of 1-10 (1 bad, 10 superb), 2) list all the gamesmasters of games in which you are currently playing, giving each one a rating on a similar scale of 1-10, 3) sign your ballot indicating your most recent relation to the hobby, 4) send to John Leeder, 1211 5th Street, NW, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2M 3B6 as soon as possible. He will tally the results at the end of June. You may use whatever criteria you wish to arrive at your rating. The more entries John gets, the better the overview will be.

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T H E G A M E S

1975CR

WINTER 1907

The gamesmaster for this game is Richard Kovalcik, Jr.
Spring 1908 orders are due on Monday June 26th, 1978.

Austria (Civil Disorder)

Removes ASer and AWar. Is out.

England (Alan Rowland)

Is even. Has FDen, FNwy, and ASwe. (3 units)

France (Tony Watson)

Builds FBre and FMar. Has FBre, FMar, ABer, AMun, ABur, AHol, FSpa(sc), FEdi, FCly, FLon, and FNth. (11 units)

Germany (Eric Verheiden)

FNwy retreats OTB. Is even. Has ABer and AMun. (2 units)

Italy (Doug Hollingsworth)

Builds FNap and FFrom. Has FNap, FFrom, ASil, APie, AGal, ASer, ATri, FGre, FAlb, and FWes. (10 units)

Russia (Ron Kelly)

Builds FStP(nc) and FSev. Has FStP(nc), FSev, AMos, FRum, FBot, FTyn. (6 units, 2 short)

NMR Protection

I have spring orders on file from Germany.

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

WINTER 1906

The gamesmaster for this game is Richard Kovalcik, Jr.
Spring 1907 orders are due on Monday June 26th, 1978.

Last season there was an error. Austria did not retain Ser as there is a Russian unit in it. So Austria is -2 and Russia is +2. I hope no one minds, but I am not going to hold this game up any more by delaying it for this mistake.

Austria (Ron Kelly)

Removes ABoh. GM removes ASmy. Has FCon and FEas. (2 units)

England (Eric Verheiden)

Removes FCly. Is out.

France (Karl E. Schuetz)

Builds APar, FBre, and FMar. Has APar, FBre, FMar, FNAt, FLvp, FNth, FHol, ABel, AMun, and APie. (10 units)

Germany (Doug Hollingsworth)

Removes AEdi and AHol. Has ASil, FDen, FBal, and FBot. (4 units)

Italy (Laurence Gillespie)

Builds FNap and AVen. Has FNap, AVen, FTyn, ATri, ARom, and AVie. (6 units)

Russia (Lee Kendter, Sr.)

Builds AWar and FStP(nc). Has AWar, FStP(nc), AFin, FSwe, FNwy, AGal, ASer, ABul, FBla, FAnk, and AArm. (11 units)

Turkey (David Lagerson)

Is even. Has FGre. (1 unit)

NMR Protection

I have spring orders on file from France and Italy.

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.

1975HS

WINTER 1901

The gamesmaster for this game is Ira Rosen.
Spring 1902 orders are due to him on Monday June 26th, 1978.

Last issue I forgot to mention that Ira Rosen was still GMing this game. Everyone seemed to be able to figure it out however. Last issue I also switched the names of the Russian and Turkish players. Please note Ira Rosen's and Fred Zornow's COA's in the address list contained elsewhere in this issue.

The German player, Rolland Straten, has been replaced because he let his subscription lapse for too long. As per the house rules, he has been blacklisted and will never play in the Tetracuspid again.

Austria (Eric Verheiden)

Builds ABud and AVie. Also has FGre, ASer, and ATri. (5 units)

England (Lars Selberg - NMR)

Donald Blasland is asked to please submit standby orders for this position. Neutral Build FEdi. Also has ANwy, FNwy, and ALon. (4 units)

France (Alan Rowland)

Builds FBre and FMar. Also has FBel, ABur, and ASpa. (5 units)

Germany (Rolland Straten - Removed)

Lee Kendter, Sr. is asked to please take over this position. Builds ABer and AMun. Also has AHol, ARuh, and FDen. (5 units)

Italy (Tom Ripper)

Builds FNap. Also has ATun, FIon, and AVen. (4 units)

Russia (Fred Zornow)

Builds FStp(nc) and AWar. Also has FSev, ARuh, FSwe, and AFin. (6 units)

Turkey (Bob Brown)

Builds FSmy. Also has ABul, ACon, and FAnk. (4 units)

NMR Protection

Spring orders are on file from Germany and Italy.

No general orders are on file.

Bob Brown has given permission to call collect if Ira doesn't receive his orders by the night before they are due.

RANDOM RAMBLINGS (continued)

8) Rod Walker has asked me to announce that Avalon Hill will soon publish (hopefully in time for Dipcon) his A Wargamer's Guide to Diplomacy. It will be 36 pages and retail for \$3.00. It will cover the entire game, several variants, and whatnot. I think that it will be a worthwhile item to read..

9) I have 5 boxes of ditto masters for sale (4 assorted colors and 1 purple). They are for regular size paper and about 3 years old but I think they are still good. I will mail them to you for five dollars including postage. The first one to send me the money will get them.

10) This issue counts as 10 pages for all subscribers.

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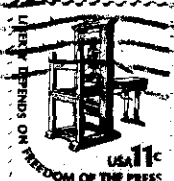
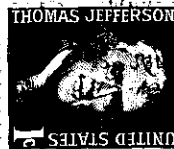
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