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1976BU, and 1976IJ)

Ira Rosen, PO Box 791 Kauenonga Lake, NY 12749 (1977HS)  
Trevor Baillie, Apt. 16, 4598 Decarie, Montreal, PQ, CANADA  
H3X 2H5 (The DND Diplomacy Game when it starts)

Roy Smith, 64 Addicks Road, Westwood, NJ 07675 (1975CR and 1975GI  
for next season only)

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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 and the houserule change announced last issue. 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 standbies are Eric Verheiden, Ron Kelly, Doug Hollingsworth, Alan Rowland, Don Blasland, Lee Kendter, Sr., Wayne Norton, Andy Cook, Gary Kilbride, and Steve McLendon.

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.

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# R A N D O M    R A M B L I N G S

1) This issue is slightly under 1 week late. This is because I went home for the July 4th weekend. The deadline has not been extended however because of the necessity of synchronizing deadlines with Roy Smith.

2) The summer schedule:

Sunday July 9th: I leave for Europe.

Friday July 21st: All orders are due. 1975CR and 1975GI to Roy Smith. 1976BU to Fred Brenner. 1977HS to Ira Rosen. 1976IJ to Robert Sergeant. Fred Brenner calls his adjudications in to Roy Smith. Ira Rosen sends his out to the players by carbon copy. Robert Sergeant will presumably incorporate 1976IJ in his zine Saint George and the Dragon.

Monday July 24th (about): Brew and Reefer comes out with my games  
and Fred's games.

Monday August 14th (about): I return.

Monday August 21st: All orders (1975CR, 1975GI, 1976BU, and 1977HS) are due to the correct GM.

Monday August 28th: The Tetracuspiid, # 31 comes out.

3) COA's (all effective immediately):

David Alexander, Box 39 Brandeis, Waltham, MA 02159

Alan Rowland, 52 Eighth Avenue, Westwood, NJ 07675

4) I still 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.

T H E   G A M E S

1975CM

FALL 1908

The gamesmaster for this game is Fred Brenner.

The three way English - Russian - Turkish draw has passed. A final supply center chart and any closing statements I receive will be printed next issue.

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1975CR

SPRING 1908

The gamesmaster for this game is Richard Kovalcik, Jr. (Roy Smith for Fall 1908 only.)

Fall 1908 orders are due on Friday July 21st, 1978 to Roy (address on page one).

Please note that France has AKie and ARuh not ABur and AMun and Italy has AWar not AGal.

England (Alan Rowland - ???)

NMR. Will Steve McLendon, Box 57066, Webster, TX 77598 please submit standby orders? FDen UOH, FNwy UOH, ASwe UOH.

France (Tony Watson - ???)

NMR. Will Gary Kilbride, PO Box 2546, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, 00801 please submit standby orders? FBre, FMar, AKie, ARuh, ABur, AHol, FSpa(sc), Fedi, FCly, FLon, and FNth all UOH.

Germany (Eric Verheiden)

ABer S AMun, AMun S ABer.

Italy (Doug Hollingsworth)

FRom - Tus, FNap - Tyn, FWes - Mid, FGre - Ion, APie - Mar, FAlb S FGre - Ion, ASil S GERMAN AMun, AWar - Pru, ATri - Tyo, ASer - Tri.

Russia (Ron Kelly)

FStp(nc) - Bar, FBot - Bal, AMos - StP, FRum - Bul(ec), FSev - Bla, FTyn - Lyo.

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 1907

The gamesmaster for this game is Richard Kovalcik, Jr. (Roy Smith for Fall 1907 only.)

Fall 1907 orders are due on Friday July 21st, 1978 to Roy (address on page one).

Last season there were errors as usual. Russia built FStp(sc) not FStp(nc) as reported. Italy has FTri not ATri.

Austria (Ron Kelly)

FCon H/is dislodged and must retreat to Aeg or OTB/, FEas - Ion.

France (Karl E. Schuetz)

FNAI - Cly, FLvp S FNAI - Lvp/NSO - ???/, FNth S RUSSIAN FSwe - Den/NSO/, AMun - Kie, FHol S AMun - Kie, ABel - Ruh, APAr - Bur, FBre - Mid, FMar - Lyo, APie UOH.

Germany (Doug Hollingsworth)

ASil - War/is dislodged and must retreat to Ber, Pru, Mun, or OTB/, FBot - StP(sc)/is dislodged and must retreat to Lvn or OTB/, FBal S FDen - Swe, FDen - Swe.

Italy (Laurence Gillespie)

FTyn - Wes, FNap - Ion, ARom - Tus, AVen S ARom - Tus, FTri - Alb, AVie - Tyo.

Russia (Lee Kendter, Sr.)

FStp(sc) S FSwe - Bot, FSwe - Bot, FNwy - Swe, AFin S ANwy - Swe, AWar - Sil, AGal S AWar - Sil, ASer S ABul, ABul H, FBla - Con, FAnk S FBla - Con, AArm - Smy.

T.rkey (Civil Disorder)

David Lagerson is no longer receiving the Tetracuspid. FGre UOH.

NMR Protection

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I have no general orders on file.

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

1976BU

SPRING 1903 AGAIN

The gamesmaster for this game is Fred Brenner.  
Fall 1903 orders are due on Friday July 21st, 1978 to Fred.  
Please resubmit your orders even if you already sent them to Fred.

Last issue there were a number of orders which should have been underlined which weren't. The corrected adjudications follow. A star ("\*") denotes a corrected order.

Austria (Ron Kelly)

FTri - Adr\*, ABud - Tri\*, ARum - Ser, AVie - Tyr\*, FAlb - Ion\*.

England (Lee Kendter, Jr.)

FLvp - Iri, FLon - Eng, FNth S FLon - Eng, ADen - Swe\*, FNwy S  
FNth H\*.

France (Doug Hollingsworth)

FMid - Iri\*, APic - Wal, FEng C APic - Wal, AGas - Bre, ABur -  
Pic.

Germany (Eric Verheiden)

FBel S English FEng/NSU/\*, FKie - Hel, AHol S ARuh - Kie, AMun S  
ARuh - Kie, ARuh - Kie.

Italy (David Mueth)

AVen - Tyr\*, AApu - Ven\*, FLon - Adr\*, FEas - Ion\*.

Russia (Karl Schuetz)

FStP(nc) - Nwy\*, FSwe - Den\*, FBla C ASer - Ank, AGal - Ukr, ASEv  
- Ank.

Turkey (Jad Dittmar - ???)

NMR. Wayne Norton is asked to please take over this position. Jad Dittmar no longer receives the Tetracuspid.  
AArm H, ABul H, FAeg H, and FGre H.

1976IJ

WINTER 1903

The gamesmaster for this game was Fred Brenner. Since no one objected to moving the game to Saint George and the Dragon, edited by Robert Sergeant, the game will be moved there effective immediately. Robert's address is 3242 Lupine Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46224. Spring 1904 orders are due on Friday July 21st, 1978 to Robert.

If anyone in this game no longer wants to subscribe to the Tetracuspid, please let me know, and I will send you a check for your sub balance.

Last issue the supply center chart was somewhat messed up. I believe that the following are the correct builds and removals.

Austria (Eric Verheiden)  
Builds ATri.

England (Lee Kendter, Jr.)  
Builds FLon.

France (Ron Kelly)  
ASpa is retreated off the board. Is even.

Germany (Andy Cook???)  
FEng retreats to Bel, AMun retreats to Bur. Removes ARuh and ABur.

Italy (Roy Smith)  
Builds FNap.

Russia (Dave Ditter)  
Builds FStp(nc).

Turkey (Steve McLendon)  
Is even.

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1975HS

WINTER 1901 AGAIN

The gamesmaster for this game is Ira Rosen.  
Spring 1902 orders are due on Friday July 21st, 1978 to Ira.

Last issue I said that Donald Blasland was the standby for England and Lee Kendter the standby for Germany with the adjudications and visa versa elsewhere. The assignments with the adjudications were correct. Several players asked for a delay so it has been granted.

Q U O T E   O F   T H E   I S S U E

The editor cut the stencils himself, ran them off, collated the sheets, stapled the magazines, mailed them to an exchange list of other fan editors and to a few paid subscribers, and waited for the letters of comment which, far more than cash, are the rewards of amateur publishing.

-Damon Knight describing not Diplomacy but the Science Fiction fandom of the 1930's in the Futurians, John Day, New York, 1977

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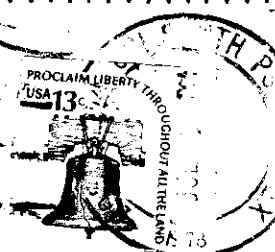
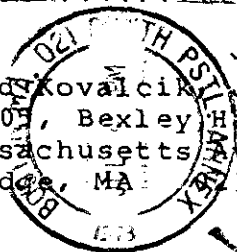
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