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Addresses for all the other people who receive the <u>Tetracuspid</u> can be found in the <u>Tetracuspid</u>, Number 31. Hopefully, a new address list will be printed soon.

Subscriptions are one cent per page plus postage.
All trades are quite welcome.
There are no gameopenings.
Standbies are needed. Let me know if you are interested.
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## RANDOM RAMBLINGS

- 1) This issue is too late to even think about. I have been very busy for the last year with graduating from college, work, applying to graduate schools, looking for jobs, looking for a car, deciding what job to take, moving to California because that is where the job I decided to take is, starting to work, looking for an apartment, looking for furniture, moving into my apartment, having fun, and doing all the things that seniors in college normally do. I guess I have to admit that I no loner believe that it is possible to publish a Diplomacy zine on time, attend college, and participate in all the standard sorts of college activities. Hopefully, now that I have graduated from college, things should go a lot smoother. I plan to continue publishing the Tetracuspid. At first we will have four week deadlines (to allow time to get negotiations started again) with five weeks between issues but within a couple of months, I hope to get back to three weeks deadlines with monthly issues.
- 2) For those of you that haven't heard here is a brief summary of recent events. I graduated from M.I.T. (Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Massachusetts) in June with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science. I spent a fair amount of time last semester interviewing for jobs with about a dozen companies, received job offers from about a half-dozen, and eventually decided to work for Lawrence Livermore Laboratory (LLL) in Livermore, California. For those of you that don't know, LLL is a laboratory administered by the University of California with funds provided by the Department of Energy. understand it, under the arrangement between the Department of Energy and the University of California, over 50% of the work must be weapons related. Essentially everyone who goes to work for LLL must have a Department of Energy "Q" Clearance. essentially the equivalent of a Department of Defense Top Secret Clearance. LLL will let you start work without your clearance (it usually takes about 6 months to get one), but if you are hired to work on something top secret, you don't get to work on it until you get your clearance. Fortunately, LLL does do work that is neither weapons related nor top secret. For example, I am working on the development of a new computer architecture called the S-1 (Actually, I am working on the related software). This machine is meant to be about as powerful as a Cray-1. work is also totally unclassified so I did not have to wait to

get my security clearance to start work. In the middle of June a group of seven my friends including two people who were already working for LLL and one other who was about to start working for LLL and myself drove across country to California in two cars. I started work at LLL on Thursday June 14th. I have been looking for an apartment since then and just recently moved in although my belongings from the east coast have not yet arrived. Please note my new address on page one.

- 3) The next deadline is Monday August 20th, 1979. I will hopefully have the Tetracuspid out within a week after that. Please send in orders if you are in a game, even if you want to resign. If you want to resign, let me know and I will try to find a replacement for you.
- 4) All gameopenings have been canceled. If you sent me money for a gamefee and deposit, a refund should have been sent to you by now. If it wasn't, I have credited the refund to your subscription account because your balance was very low. I have canceled all gameopenings because I don't think it would be worth starting any new games in the <u>Tetracuspid</u> before people have some confidence in it again. When I have finished moving into my apartment and the Tetracuspid is back on a regular schedule, I will consider opening more games.
- 5) Starting with this issue, unless the Tetracuspid comes out on time, you will not get charged for it. If you want to stop getting the Tetracuspid all together, please let me know and I will send you a refund for your subscription balance.
- 6) Please be sure to use the addresses on page one for Ira Rosen and myself.

## THE GAMES

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1975CR FALL 1909

The gamesmaster for this game is Richard Kovalcik, Jr. Winter 1909 orders are due by Monday August 20th, 1979.

Last season I made a mistake. I reported that France could retreat FSpa(sc) to Mid. This is wrong. Since there was a standoff in Mid the rulebook clearly states that no retreat can be made to there. Since FSpa(sc) can really only be disbanded I am not going to hold up this game for this mistake.

England (Lee Kendter, Sr.) FDen S ASwe, ASwe S FDen.

France (Shawn Naus)

FMar - Spa(sc)/is dislodged and annihilated/, FBre - Mid, FEng - Nth, FNth - Den, FCly - Edi, AHol - Ruh, AKie S FNth - Den, ARuh - Bur, ABur - Gas.

Germany (Eric Verheiden)
ABer S AMun, AMun S ABer.

Italy (Doug Hollingsworth)
FTun - NAf, FIon - Tun, Fwes - Mid, FTyn - Wes, ALvn H, ASil S
German AMun, APie - Mar, FLyo S APie - Mar, FPor S FWes - Mid,
ATyo UOH, ATri UOH.

Russia (Ron Kelly)
FSpa(sc) S Italian APie - Mar, FNwg C ANwy - Cly, FBal - Kie,
FAeq - Ion, FCon - Aeq.

Supply Center Chart

England - Gained: None.

Retained: Den, Swe. Lost: None.

Lost: 2. Even.

France - Gained: None.

Retained: Bel, Bre, Edi, Hol, Kie, Lon, Lvp, Par.

Lost: Mar, Spa.

8. -1.

Germany - Gained: None.

Retained: Ber, Mun.

Lost: None.

2. Even.

Italy - Gained: Mar.

Retained: Bud, Gre, Nap, Por, Rom, Rum, Tri, Tun, Ven,

Vie, War.

Lost: None.

12. +1.

Russia - Gained: Spa.

Retained: Ank, Bul, Con, Mos, Nwy, Rum, Sev, Smy, StP.

Lost: None.

10. +1.

-- NMR Protection

I have no winter orders on file.

I have no general orders on file.

- I have permission from Eric Verheiden and Doug Hollingsworth to call collect if I don't receive their orders by the night before they are due.

1975GI

FALL 1908 (THE END)

The gamesmaster for this game is Richard Kovalcik, Jr. This season Russia (Lee Kendter, Sr.) got 18 supply centers and wins. If any of you want to send in commentary on this game, I will publish it along with the final supply center chart next issue.

France (Karl Schuetz)

FNwg - Bar, FNth S FDen, FDen S AKie/is dislodged and must retreat to Hel, Ska, or OTB/, AKie S FDen, AMun S AKie, ABur - Ruh, AGas - Bur, AMar - Pie, FLyo - Tyn, FSpa(sc) S FMid - Wes, FMid - Wes, FNAf - Tun.

Germany (Doug Hollingsworth)

APru Surrenders (APru H)/is dislodged and must retreat to Sil or OTE/.

Italy (Laurence Gillespie)
NMR!!! FTyn UOH, Fion UOH, APie UOH, AVen UOH, ATyo UOH, FWes UOH/is dislodged and annihilated/.

Russia (Lee Kendter, Sr.)

FNwy - Nth, ASwe S FBal - Den, FBal - Den, ABer - Kie, ASil -Mun, ABoh - Vie, AAlb - Tri, ASer S AAlb - Tri, ARum - Bud, FAeg - Gre, FCon - Aeg, ASmy H, AWar S FLvn - Pru, FLvn - Pru.

Supply Center Chart

France - Gained: Tun.

Retained: Bel, Bre, Edi, Hol, Kie, Lon, Lvp, Mar, Mun,

Par, Por, Spa.

Lost:

13. Germany - Gained: None.

> Retained: None. Lost: Den.

Out.

- Gained: Italy

Retained:

None.

Nap, Rom, Ven. Tri, Tun, Vie. , Lost:

3.

Russia - Gained: Den, Tri, Vie.

Ank, Ber, Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Mos, Nwy, Rum, Retained:

Ser, Sev, Smy, StP, Swe, War.

Lost: None.

18. Wins.

1976BU

WINTER 1903

The gamesmaster for this game is Richard Kovalcik, Jr. Spring 1904 orders are due by Monday August 20th, 1979.

Austria (Ron Kelly)

Removes FAlb. Has FAdr, ATri, ASer, AVie.

England (Lee Kendter, Jr.)

No retreats were received. The gamesmaster retreats FLon and FNwy OTB. Is Even. Has FLvp, FEng, and ADen.

France (Doug Hollingsworth)

Builds FBre. Has FBre, AGas, APie, FLon, FIri, AWal.

Germany (Eric Verheiden)

Is Even. Has FNth, FBel, AHol, AKie, AMun.

Italy (David Mueth)

Is Even. Has FEas, Flon, AVen, AApu.

Russia (Karl Schuetz)

Builds AWar, AMos. Has AWar, AMos, FSwe, FNwy, FBla, AAnk, ASev.

Turkey (Wayne Norton)

Builds FCon. Has AArm, FCon, FAeg, ARum, FGre.

NMR Protection

I have spring orders on file from Italy, Russia, and Turkey.

I have no general orders on file.

I have permission from Doug Hollingsworth, Eric Verheiden, Karl Schuetz, and Wayne Norton to call collect if I don't receive their order by the night before they are due.

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1977HS

FALL 1902

The gamesmaster for this game is Ira Rosen. Winter 1902 orders are due by Monday August 20th, 1979.

In Spring 1902 the German order of AMun to Ber should have succeeded. Since France did not submit orders this season, Ira Rosen decided to just disband the French ABur.

Austria (Eric Verheiden)

AVie - Gal, ABud S AVie - Gal, ASer S FGre, FGre H, ATri S ASer.

England (Ron Kelly)

FCly - NAt FNwy S German FDen - Swe/is dislodged and must retreat to Ska, Nwg, StP, or OTB/, AWal - Lon, FNwg - Nth.

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France (Alan Rowland) NMR!!! Will David Hooton, c/o WPI, PO Box 1136, Worester, MA 01609 please submit standby orders? FEng UOH, FBel UOH/is dislodged and must retreat to Pic, Eng, or CTB/, FSpa(sc) UOH, AGas UOH.

Germany (Lee Kendter, Sr.) ABur - Bel, AHol S ABur - Bel, ARuh S ABur - Bel, Akie - Mun, FDen H.

Italy (Tom Ripper) FEas - Smy, Flon - Aeg, ATun H, AVen H.

Russia (Fred Zornow) FSwe - Nwy, AFin S FSwe - Nwy, FBar S FSwe - Nwy, ARum H, FSev S ARum, AUkr S ARum.

Turkey (Bob Brown) ACon - Smy, FAnk - Con, FAeg - Gre, ABul S FAeg - Gre.

Supply Center Chart Austria - Gained: None. Retained: Vie, Tri, Bud, Ser, Gre. Lost: None. 5. Even.

England - Gained: StP(?). Retained: Edi, Lvp, Lon. Lost: Nwy. 3 or 4. Even or -1 depending on retreat.

France - Gained: None. Retained: Bre, Mar, Par, Spa. Lost: Bel. 5. Even or +1 depending on retreat.

Germany - Gained: Bel. Retained: Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mun. Lost: None. 6. +1.

Italy -Gained: None. Retained: Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun. Lost: None. 4. Even.

Gained: Russia -Nwy. StP(?), Mos, War, Sev, Rum, Swe. Retained: Lost: StP(?). Even or +1 depending on French retreat. 6 or 7.

Gained: Turkey -None. Retained: Ank, Con, Smy, Bul. Lost: None. 4. Even.

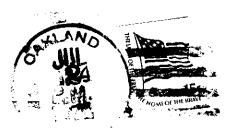
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