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Richard Kovalcik, Jr. (1975CR, 1976BU, 1977HS (for the next two deadlines), 1979KR, and 1980CE).

Ira Rosen, Apt. B8, 520 South 42nd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104 (1977HS (except for the next two deadlines))

Addresses for all the other people who receive the <u>Tetracuspid</u> can be found in the <u>Tetracuspid</u>, Number 41.

Subscriptions are one cent per page plus postage.
All trades are quite welcome.
Gameopenings in regular Diplomacy are available.
Guest-gamesmasters are welcome but not particularly needed now.
Standbies are needed. Let me know if you are interested.
Articles are payed for at two cents of sub credit per line used.
For more information on gameopenings, please see page 2.

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RANDOM RAMBLINGS

- 1) Gameopenings in several games of regular Diplomacy are available. All games will be run on 'hree week deadlines using the Koval Publications houserules dated July 1st, 1976 as modified by the change in the Tetracuspid, Number 29. If you want a copy of the houserules, let me know, and I will send you To play in a game you must maintain a subscription or trade, pay a \$2.00 gamefee, and maintain a \$3.00 deposit. houserules say that this deposit will be deposited in the ISE (International Subscription Exchange). Unfortunately, the ISE is defunct. Alternatives are being investigated. This deposit will only be refunded if you stay in the game until you are eliminated or the game ends. Donald Blasland, Don Sigwalt, John Vielmann, and Clive Tonge will guest-gamesmaster one game each. Please send me your preference list and a lump sum of money if you want to play. If you do not specify which game you want to play in, I will fill them up in the order listed above subject to the houserule that no two people from the same state or province (with the exception of New York and California) may be in the same game. Mark Rosen, Brian Edwards, Dan Palter, Ken Chapman, and Bill Hart are all waiting to play.
- 2) Cal White asked me to announce that he will be sending \$110 to John Leeder for refunds for subscriptions and \$50 to Lee Kendter for the Boardman Numbers.
- 3) Robert Stimmel has asked me to announce that Bill LaFosse, Apt. 24, 126 Bay Street, Trenton, Ontario, CANADA K8V 1H8 will be running a new type of bourse in the Toronto Telegram. The players are divided into those who play in the Diplomacy game (Diplomatic Boursers) and those who don't (Economic Boursers). The rules cost \$1.00 and are fairly long. They are available from Bill at the address above. As I haven't been able to raise much interest in running a bourse here, you might want to get in touch with Bill if you are desperate to play in a bourse.
- 4) I went to DipCon in Michigan a couple of weekends ago. It was lots of fun. I will try to write about it when time permits.
- 5) This issue will probably be very short and not contain much except games as I have been somewhat busy lately with traveling and work.

THE GAMES

1975CR

SPRING 1913

The gamesmaster for this game is Richard Kovalcik, Jr. Please note that last season Germany was listed as having built FBer. This is impossible as Italy had ABer. There has been a call for an Italian-Russian draw. Please vote on the draw proposal with your next set of orders. Fall 1913 orders are due by Monday July 7th, 1980.

France (Chuck Doehrer)
FPic S APar - Bre, APar - Bre.

Germany (Eric Verheiden)
FBer S FKie/NSU/, AKie S FHol, ARuh S THol, FHol S AKie.

<u>Italy (Doug Hollingsworth)</u>
ABur - Par, AGas S ABur - Par, AMar - Bur, APie - Mar, <u>FWal - Eng</u>, AVen H, AFin H, ALon H, FLyo H, FTyn H, FPor H, FWes H, FNwg H, FEng H, ABer H.

Russia (Ron Kelly)
ASev - Rum, ANwy - Yor, FNth C ANwy - Yor, FBre H/DIS/retreats:
Mid or OTB/, FEdi S ANwy - Yor, FSka - Den, FMid - Eng, FIon Tyn, AStP - Nwy.

NMR Protection

I have no fall orders on file.

I have no general orders on file.

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

1976BU SPRING 1907

The gamesmaster for this game is Richard Kovalcik, Jr. Fall 1907 orders are due by Monday July 7th, 1980.

Austria (Ron Kelly)

AVie - Gal, ABud S ASer - Rum, FTri - Adr, <u>FVen - Apu</u>, ABul S ASer - Rum, ASer - Rum, <u>AMun S GERMAN ASil</u>, ABoh S AVie - Gal.

France (Doug Hollingsworth)

ATus - Rom, ANap - Apu, FTyn - Ion, FNAt - Nwg, FLvp - Cly, FLon - Nth, FBre - Eng, ABel - Ruh, APic - Bel, APar - Bur.

<u>APru - War</u>, ASil S APru - War, ABer - Kie, ADen S ABer - Kie, <u>ARuh - Mun</u>, FNwy S FNth, <u>FNth S FNwy</u>.

<u>Italy (Dick Martin)</u>
AApu cries piteously.

Russia (Karl Schuetz)

FStP(sc) - Bot, ALvn S AUkr - War, ARum S AUSTRIAN ABud - Gal/NSO/DIS/retreats: Sev or OTB/ ASev - Mos, AUkr - War, FCon S AAnk - Smy, AAnk - Smy.

Turkey (Wayne Norton)

FSmy - Con/DIS/retreats: Aeg, Eas, or OTB/.

NMR_Protection

I have fall orders on file from Italy.

I have no general orders on file.

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

1977HS

FALL 1905 (AGAIN)

The gamesmaster for this game is Ira Rosen. However, Ira Rosen will be away for about the next two months. During that period (for the next two deadlines), Richard Kovalcik, Jr. will be the acting gamesmaster. Please note that last issue there was a mistake in the adjudications. Austria lost War and Russia gained War. Therefore, Austria is -2 and Russia is +2. It also appears that some mail sent to Ira Rosen did not get to him. Therefore, the deadline for Winter 1905 orders will be extended. The corrected adjudications are reprinted below. Winter 1905 orders are due by Monday July 7th, 1980.

Austria (Eric Verheiden)

ABur - Gas, ARum S ABul, <u>ABul S ASer - Gre</u>/DIS/retreats: Ser, OTB/, ASer - Gre, FAlb S ASer - Gre, AVie - Tyo, <u>ATyo - Ven</u>, ATri S ATyo - Ven, ASil - Mun.

England (Ron Kelly)

FEng - Mid, ALon - Yor, <u>FDen - Kie</u>/DIS/retreats: Ska, Bal, Hel, OTB/, <u>FIri - Lvp</u>.

France (Wayne Norton)

FBre - Pic, FMid - Bre, FNAt - Lvp, FMar H, AGas - Par.

Germany (Bernie Oaklyn)

ABer S FKie. FKie S RUSSIAN ASwe - Den, ARuh S ABel - Hol, ABel - Hol.

Italy (Tom Ripper)

ACon - Bul, FBla S ACon - Bul, FAeg S ACon - Bul, FIon - Adr, FTyn - Ion, APie S AVen, AVen S APie.

Russia (Doug Hollingsworth)

AWar H, ASwe - Den, ASev H, FHel - Nth, FNth - Nwg.

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Supply Center Chart
Austria - Gained:
                     None.
                     Bud, Gre, Mun, Rum, Ser, Tri, Vie.
          Retained:
                     Bul, War.
          Lost:
          7. -2.
England - Gained:
                     None.
          Retained:
                     Edi. Lon. Lvp.
          Lost:
                     Den.
          3.
              -1.
                     None.
France - Gained:
                     Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa.
          Retained:
          Lost:
                     None.
          5. Even.
Germany - Gained:
                     None.
                     Bel, Ber, Hol, Kie.
          Retained:
          Lost:
                     None.
          4. Even.
          Gained:
Italy -
                     Bul.
          Retained:
                     Ank, Con, Nap, Rom, Smy, Tun, Ven.
          Lost:
                     None.
          8. +1.
Russia -
         Gained:
                     Den, War.
          Retained:
                     Mos, Nwy, Sev, StP, Swe.
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None.

NMR Protection

I have winter orders on file from Austria (need to be changed), Italy, and Russia.

I have no general orders on file.

Lost:

7. +2.

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

WINTER 1902 1979KR

The gamesmaster for this game is Richard Kovalcik, Jr. 1903 orders are due by Saturday July 12th, 1980.

Austria (Ken Chapman) Builds AVie. Has AVie, ATyo, ABul, FGre, ATri, FAlb. (6 units)

England (Dan Palter) Is even. Has FNth, FHel, AYor. (3 units)

France (Francois Cuerrier) Is even. Has ABur, ASpa, AMar, FIri, FMid. (5 units)

Germany (David Barker???) NMR. Will Eric Ozog, 1526 North Lawler Avenue, Chicago, IL 60651 please submit standby orders? Will be one short. ASil, AMun, FDen, AHol, ABel. (5 units, 1 short)

Italy (John Vielmann???: Wayne Norton(standby)) Is even. Has FWes, FIon, APie, AVen. (4 units)

Russia (Steve Bergstrom) Builds AWar. Has AWar, FBla, ARum, ASev, FNwg, FSka, and ANwy. (7 units)

Turkey (Dick Martin) Is even. Has FAeg, AArm, and FCon. (3 units)

NMR Protection

I have spring orders on file England, France, the Italian Standby, and Turkey.

I have no general orders on file.

I have permission from David Barker, Ken Chapman, Dan Palter, John Vielmann, and Dick Martin to call collect if I don't receive their orders by the night before they are due.

Press

(Turkey to Russian and Austria) C'mon guys, leave me alone!

1980CE (TETRA #4)

SPRING 1901

The gamesmaster for this game is Richard Kovalcik, Jr. Fall 1901 orders due by Monday July 7th, 1980.

<u> Austria (Wayne Norton)</u> FTri - Alb, ABud - Ser, AVie - Bud.

England (Eric Ozog) FEdi - Nth, FLon - Eng, ALvp - Yor.

France (David Barker)

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

<u>Germany (Bernie Oaklyn)</u>

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

Italy (Dan Palter)

ARom - Ven, AVen - Tri, FNap - Ion.

Russia (Ira Rosen)

FStp(sc) - Bot, AMos - Ukr, ASev - Rum, AWar - Sil.

Turkey (Mark Johnson)

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

NMR Protection

I have fall orders on file from Germany and Turkey.

I have general orders on file from Turkey.

I have permission from Wayne Norton, Eric Ozog, David Barker, Dan Palter, and Mark Johnson to call collect if I don't receive their orders by the night before they are due.

<u>Press</u> (The Tower in London) Eric Ozog the Faceless hereby announces his condemnation of the Russian and Turkish nations for picking on poor little Austria. I assure the world that steps will be taken to save Austrian sovereignty. Now I must pursue more meaningful tasks, such as picking my nose with my switchblade.

(London to Paris) There is no turning back Mr. Barker, we are at war to the bitter end. If I was you, I'd surrender now and save yourself a lot of grief.

(Kiel) It was a cool day. I was out tippy-toeing in a mud puddle. More rain came, washing the products of O'smog from my face. Dirt it might be to some, but nutrient it was to me. I savored the blackened first, but, as it were, sometime I had to savor "brown".

After the storm was past, and the sun shined through a broken cloud structure, I stood erect, basking in the rays of "Big Bang". Spring was sure a good season for me.

But, what is that noise! Oh my God! It is O'smog! He he comes, pushing that smelly and noisy ole lawn mower. And I thought he always got Casella to do his dirty work. "Don't!", I cried, "Stay away from me!". And then it came, and I learned what it was to be a shiny blade of grass on Bernie Oaklyn's from lawn, i.e., always being messed on and cut down. personification of a blade of grass.

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