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THANGORODRIM

(CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?)

with: a contest!

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Tile 3003

GAME 1969-Maj

THANG #1

(Mordor Versus The World III-#1)

ARNOR (Pulsipher): sas m mntns, ang (s) rhov. sa car; da lor (s) sa ere-mor; sa iml-ett; sa amon-impl; sa thar-ere.

GONDOR (Gygax): da m mor-h annun (s) by sa por; sa leb-anor; (s) by sa lau.

MORDOR (Libby): NMR. ta raur; das anor, glad, m tir, h annun; sas d nar, dag, nurn, udun, etten u (h).

RHOVANION (Bobek): NMR. da d gul; sas w ear, wild, mirk, b lands, n wild u (h).

ROHAN (Lakofka): da isen, sa e emm (s) sa w emm; sa w emm h; sa fan-cele. Underlined moves fail. Laire, 3003: Mordor da h annun-shad mntns.

STAND-BY PLAYERS: Gary Gygax, 330 Center St., Lake Geneva, Wisc 53147 has taken over for Ferris as Gondor. Andrew Phillips, address above, is requested to submit stand-by moves for Quelle/Urive/Coire 3003 for Mordor; should Libby miss that season Andy will take over. ANYONE interested is requested to submit moves for next season for Bobek (Rho vanion): should John miss next season the first moves received for stand-by will be used.

PRESS:

CARROCK: The rout of Sauron's minions here was due in part to the depletion of the ranks of the defending goblins, so states an informed source. Reportedly, the loss was caused by some form of predatory beast, for the attacking forces encountered only one babbling goblin amid a heap of the charred bones of his fellows.

MORDOR: Horror of Horrors! Our Supreme Lord, Sauron, was chased willy-nilly through-out his mountain citadel last night by enemy commandoes equipped with flame throwers. Fortunately, outside of the loss of the Ring of Adamant and 1000 Orc Guards, only the Dark Lord's pride was hurt (discount singed undies). Call back the armies and defend our Leader! These raids must be stopped now!

GRAYTE WOURMES - PART IV: DRACO ELECTRICUS

Draco Electricus, commonly called the Blue Dragon, has virtually vanished for existence. It formerly inhabited the area between the Red varieties and the Green, but it could not compete with either due to the necessity of being close to its enemy in order for its lightnings to be effective. It was also extensively hunted by certain trolls who highly prized its blue hide. Iron weapons hurled into the beast caused a great discharge of its electricity whereupon a concentrated rush of trolls would usually overwhelm it without more than half of the attackers being torn asunder. The Blue Dragon, of intermediate size and a body type typical of most dragons, was also handicapped by only moderate mentality and an introverted nature. Reports of Draco Electricus living on the far slopes of the Mountains southeast of Bar Khand are uncertain... (Excerpt from El Rannin, translated by the late Professor S. K. Elmereth, 1967.)

Fall 16043

GAME 1969-Nr
(INDIANOMACY II-#1)

THANG #2

APACHE (Schleicher): w 81-109 (s) by w 82; w 83-84; w 89-88 (s) by w 87; w 92-89; w 99 (s) w 82.

BLACKFEET (Patton): w 33-32; w 28-30 (s) by w 29; wcf 35-37; w 39-40.

CADDIS (White): w 107-(s) w 110; ws 110, 109 (s) iroquois w 74-75.

DAKOTA (Gygax): w 6-15; w 17-6; w 19-22; w 21 h; w 49 (s) w 80; w 80 (s) w 49; w 54-56.

ILLINOIS (Bobek): w 71-73; w 74-109; w 69-71; w 56-57; w 58 h.

IROQUIOS (Lakofka): w 59-120 (s) by w 62; w 16-17; wcf f-d; wcf g-f.

MUSKHOGEAN (Stafford): w 75-110 (s) by w 113, w 112; w 64-65; w 63-66.

SHOSHONI (Phillips): w 88-45; w 48-86 (s) by w 47; w 31-32; w 38-32.

Underlined moves fail. CAD w 109 retreats to 108, w 110-106.

STAND-BY PLAYER: Andrew Phillips, address last page, has taken over for Ferris as Shoshoni. NOTE: the Iroquois player, with obviously suicidal tendencies, has entered Hopewell Mounds (120), the 'taboo' province. As per the rules, IRO w 120 is eliminated, and IRO centers go buildless for this winter and winter, 1604. The SC chart for the year 1603:

Apache: 96, 97, 99, 82, 101, 87, 83, 88, 109 - 9/7 - BD. 2: w 97, 96
Blackfeet: 26, 27, 28, 29, 36 - 5/5 - No Change
Caddoan: 108, ~~109~~, ~~110~~ - 1/3 - REMOVE 2: w 106, w 106
Dakota: 49, 50, 52, 54, 18, 80, 3, 15, 56, 21 - 10/7 - BD THREE:
w 50, 52, 54.
Illinois: 69, 70, 71, 74, ~~55~~ - REMOVE ONE: wcf 58 - 4/5
Iroquois: 10, 11, 12, 14, 61, ~~15~~ - 5/6 - REMOVE ONE: w 120 Eliminated.
Muskogean: 113, 114, 115, 64, 66, 110 - 6/5 - BUILD ONE: w 114
Shoshoni: 44, 45, 47, 38, ~~55~~ - 4/5 - REMOVE ONE: w 31

Players please note that the cf in 63 is destroyed....-GM.

Fall 1493

GAME 1969-0a
(SCOTTONMACY- #1)

THANG #3

ENGLAND (Jolly): af a land a 13; af ee land a 67 (s) by a 68; f k-r; f 69 (s) a 68; f ff-bb; a 75-76; a 74-85; a 72-75; a 88-84.

CAMPBELL (Schleicher): a 23-24; a 63-55 (s) by a 54; a 81-82 (s) by a 83.

FRASER (Ferris): Eliminated.

GORDON (Gaylord): a 25-24 (s) by a 16; a 34 (s) Keith a 22-23; a 27-33; a 33-41; a 17 B bb; a 41-50 (s) by a 42; a 55-54.

GRAHAM (Lakofka): a 51 (s) a 50; a 50 (s) a 51; a 53-49; a 78-77.

KEITH (Tulp): a 2 h; a 4 (s) a 5; a 5 (s) a 4; a 20-22; a 22-23; a 18 h; a 21-36; a 36(bb)-cc; a 39-35; a 38-39; a 40-51.

MacDONALD (Gygax): a 13 B bb (already built); a 60 h; a 59-58; a 62-63; (s) by a 56; a 48 h; a 15 h; a 43 (s) MacLeod a 31; a 30 (s) a 15.

MacLEOD (Stafford): a 46 B bb (already built!); a 12 B bb; a 11, 10 (s)

MacDonald a 15; a 7 (s) a 6; a 6 (s) a 7; a 29 h; a 31 (s) MacD a 15.

STEWART (White): a 67-68; a 66 (s) a 67; a 78-78; a 64-68.

Underlined moves fail. Campbell's a 23 and Gordons a 55 were dislodged, had no space to retreat to, and are annihilated. Graham's a 50 is dislodged and retreats to 52. Following is the SC Chart for the year 1493:

England: 90, 89, 72, 69, 71, 73, 74, 68, 84 - BD 2: A 89, A 90
Campbell: 62, 81, ~~84~~, ~~83~~, ~~77~~, ~~55~~, 83 - 4/4 - No Change
Fraser: ~~18~~ - 0/0 - Eliminated.
Gordon: 26, 34, ~~53~~, ~~22~~, 24, 27, ~~39~~, 25, 32, 33, 16, 17, 42, 50
- 11/8 - BD 3: A 26, 32 - one short.
Graham: 51, 52, ~~56~~, ~~57~~, ~~58~~, 77 - 3/4 - Remove 1: A 49
Keith: 3, 19, 21, 38, 20, 5, 18, 40, 4, ~~17~~, 36, 37, 2, 39, 22 -
13/11 - Build three: A 38, A 3, A 21
MacDonald: 13, ~~29~~, 44, 59, 60, 58, 43, 47, 56, 63, 30 - 10/9 - Build
one: A 44

McLeod: 7, 12, 30, 46, 10, 14, 31, 11, 6, 29 - 9/9 - No Change
 Stewart: 22, 33, 64, 66, 65, 79, 67 - 5/4 - Build one: cannot build.
 Players please note that these chart summaries are, I hope correct.
 Do not be deceived by appearances. For example, Campbell, on the chart,
 lost three centers and gained two, shouldn't she remove one? No: she had
 a army eliminated this turn. Follow this logic when checking the above!

PRESS:

PR: Special prayers have been offered for the soul of Ferris Fraser the
 Feeble. Such foul murders do not happen within the pale of Unity and
 Civilization! Join the Minor Clans League before you, too, are next!

PR: Let the Stewarts, Campbells and Grahams unite to expel the pest-fill-
 ed British.

Tuile, Laire 3003

GAME 1969-Raj

THANG #4

(MORDOR VERSUS THE WORLD III-#2)

ELFISH ARMY LAYS SIEGE TO BARAD-DUR!!!
 MORDOR SUFFERS REVERSES EVERYWHERE!!!

ARNOR (Wright): da etten-m mntns (s) by sa iml; sa ang-etten; sa thar (s)
 Rohan sa ere; sa forod Builds BB.

GONDOR (Tulp): da anor (s) Rohan da w emnet-raur; sa m mor-udun; sa b an-
 nen h (s) by sa m tirith; sa leb-anf (s) by sa lam.

MORDOR (Pulsipher): da m mntns (s) Arnor sa ang-carr; sa mor (s) da m mntns;
 ta udun-m mor; da d mar-udun; da raur-d mar; da anf Build BB.

RHOVANION (Gaylord): sa b lands-dagor (s) by sa wild; sa rhu-barad-dur;
 sa carr (s) Arnor da etten-m mntns; da d gul-b lands; sa n wild-w rhu.

ROHAN (Seymour): sa ere h; sa fang-~~s~~ emnet; da w emnet-raur; sa east (s)
 sa edor h.

Underlined moves failed. PLAYERS PLEASE NOTE that Lewis Pulsipher has
 taken over play for Ferris as Mordor. Lew's address is: RR#3, Box 189,
 Battle Creek, Michigan 49017. Thanks go to Len Lakofka and Andrew Phil-
 lips who also sent in moves for Mordor: Ferris specified Pulsipher as his
 replacement.

Laire Retreats: Mordor: da m mntns-glad; Gondor: sa m mor-nurnen wastes.

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GAME 1969-Vt

THANG #5

ANGMAR (Phillips): a ere-lor; a gund-rhud (s) by a etten; a forod- w hills.

ARNOR (Wright): a card-rhud (s) by a w hills; a shire-card; a arth-forod.

GONDOR (Nyderok): a leb-s ith; a lor h; a calen-cele; a e mull-udun (s) by
 a n ith.

MORDOR (Ferris): NMR. a gorg; e duath; nurn, khand u (h).

HARAD (Gemignani): a haron-e duath (s) by a n har; a umb h;

RHOVANION (Pulsipher): a d gul (s) Angmar a ere-lor; a n mirk-grey mntns;
 a wild-e mull; a rhu-dagor.

Underlined moves fail. A STAND-BY PLAYER IS NEEDED for Mordor: any
 takers please submit Tuile 1903 moves. (Lew: you can't submit moves for
 Mordor, you're playing in this game!)

Drive retreats: Mordor: a ephel duath annihilated; Gondor: a lor-
 fangorn.

Coire builds: summary of the year 1902 is as follows:

Angmar: carn Dum; gund, rhud, imlad, LOR - 5/4 - DD ONE: A Carn Dum.

Arnor: Shire, card, arth, havens - 4/4 - No Change

Gondor: Bel, leb, anor, n ith, fang, UDUN - 6/5 - DD ONE: Anor Army

Mordor: ~~Shire~~, gorg, barad-dur, khand - 3/3 - No Change

Harad: N harad, f harad, umbar, - 3/3 - No Change

Rhovanon: Mirk, Wild, Esg, Rhu, N Mirk, D Gul- 6/6- No Change

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The deadline for all moves in all games is JULY 31st, 1970 to Bill McDuffie at 122 17th Street, Buffalo, New York 14213. Doesn't anyone submit press releases anymore? Have you degenerated that far? Oh well...

THANGORODRIM CONTEST

Anyone receiving THANGORODRIM by trade, subscription, sample, or game is eligible to enter this contest. The person correctly entering and answering the most questions will receive two spots in any of the variants open in THANGORODRIM - with his first choice of position. Our contest concerns the world of Fantasy, which I'm sure you're all familiar with. You are asked to identify the authors who created the following persons, places, or things:

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|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 1) Muspel | 11) Perdonaris | 21) Oom |
| 2) Rustum | 12) Frederick Barbarossa | 22) Bartholomew |
| 3) Lalette Asterhax | 13) Glavas Rho | Golden |
| 4) Poictesme | 14) Hao-Tzan | 23) Avalon |
| 5) Ulthar | 15) Kaltotun | 24) Wainamoinen |
| 6) Vraidex | 16) Frito Bugger | 25) Elfe and Fay |
| 7) Fafnir | 17) the Runestaff | 26) Gilgamesh |
| 8) Nokes | 18) the Forest Sauvage | 27) Formosanta |
| 9) Porius | 19) Niord | 28) Maal Dweb |
| 10) Manawydden | 20) Welleran | 29) Elak |
| | | 30) Zimiamvia |

Scoring: 1 pt. for each correct author, one/half point for each correct naming of the particular work the name comes from. Deadline is July 31st. Send in some answers!...you may be the only one! Results nestish...

OPENINGS....!

Following is a list of those persons registered for various games:

BARBARIA: Russell Tulp (Anglo-Saxons), Tim Tilson, Ray Amling, Jerry White, Bill Linden, THREE more needed.

YOUNGSTOWN VARIANT: Harry Hollern, Dave Johnston, Pete Gaylord, Tom Bray, Tom Holaday, Peter Nelson, Russell Tulp, THREE MORE NEEDED. ((Several people told me how good this variant was, and suggested I run a section in THANGORODRIM. I decided to do this, never having seen the variant before. I recently received my copy...good isn't the word for this variant; excellent is more like it... Does anyone know of any other zines besides THANG that have openings in the YOUNGSTOWN VARIANT??))

INDIANOMACY: Dave Johnston, Jerry White, Ray Amling, Margaret Gemignani, Johnny Jay Seman, Bob Schoolfield, TWO MORE NEEDED.

SCOTTOMACY: closed...

MORDOR VERSUS THE WORLD III: Dave May.

THIRD AGE: Mark Nyderek, Sam Ferris (?), Brad Payne, Margaret Gemignani, Dave May, ONE MORE NEEDED.

NAPOLEONIC DIPLOMACY: is being currently carried in TALLEYRAND. All positions open in that one. PARLEMENT, anyone?

Please: let's fill these games up...FOUR games need only two or three more players! --Ed.

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Correspondence for Sidney J. Jolly should be sent AIR MAIL, to USS Richmond K. Turner, (DLG-20), FPO San Francisco, California 96601.

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REMEMBER: the deadline for all games is JULY 31ST.

PLAYERS IN INDIANOMACY (THANG #2) and ~~MIDDLE EARTH DIP (THANG 3)~~ ~~HENDER VENDOR THE WORLD #2 (THANG #4)~~
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