

# TRANTOR

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## ENGLISH RETAINS MID-ATLANTIC

ENGLAND: A Wal-Fic; F Eng (C) A Wal-Fic; F Bel (3) A Wal-Fic;  
 Ruhr-Ber; F Iri-Lid; F Gas (3) F Iri-Lid; F Fort (3)  
 F Iri-Lid; A Kiel (3) ITA A Tyr-Lun; F Bal (3) A Kiel.  
 F F.B.-Nor; A Nor-StP  
 FRANCE: F Mid-Nor; F Spa-holds; F Wled (3) F Bra; A Bur-Bel;  
 A Pic (3) A Bur-Bel  
 ITALY: no moves received; Tyr, F Ion, F Reg-hold  
 AUSTRIA: Rum-Sev; Bul-Rum; F Gre-Bul (30); Bud-Gal; Vie-  
 Boh; A Tri-Vie  
 TURKEY: Lun-Kiel; Ber (3) A Lun-Kiel; A Trus-Liv; A War-Los.  
 Ank-Arm; A Con-holds; A Bny (3) A Con; F Wled-eg

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YOUNGSTOWN (DWE) Crowds today eagerly await the arrival of John W. Smythe, L.A., former editor of this journal. Smythe, after pursuing a long and arduous course of study at Northwestern University, is now supposedly far better equipped to handle the complexities of Diplomacy play than was before the case. This is not difficult to believe.

Early reports that Smythe had grown a long white beard, been thrown out of the temple as a money-changer, or disappeared while walking around some horses have been discounted by the editorial staff of Trantor, but some hopefuls still continue to believe that he will return an invisible, bearded bank teller.

Speculation is rife over the action Smythe will take to regain control of his lucrative Gamesmastership, usurped in his absence by John Koning. Koning, now firmly and comfortably entrenched in his position swears that only an act of God will remove him now. Several YUDC members have been quick to point out that only through similar acts could Smythe have achieved his stunning victories in local and mail Diplomacy contests, but some sort of compromise is expected rather than any examples of Divine interference, especially considering the opinion which many pacifists tell us He has of Diplomacy.

Should the struggle for Trantorian control become too violent, it is predicted that John Boardman, Ph.D., may be called in to arbitrate. Other suggested moderators have included Dick Schultz and Conrad von Letzke, though Koning is known to prefer Dan Drannen, long known to oppose Smythe in all things. Time will tell, we suppose.

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