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Spring, 1901

FIERY NUMBER FIVE OFF AND FLYING!

VCL #5

GAME-1970AN

AUSTRIA (Seman): A Budapest-Serbia; A Vienna-Trieste; F Trieste-Albania.
 ENGLAND (Ball): F Edinburgh-Norg Sea; A London-Nth Sea; A Liverpool-Edin.
 FRANCE (Hazlett): A Marseilles-Burg; A Paris-Gascony; F Brest-Mid Atl.
 GERMANY (Lakofka): F Kiel-Denmark; A Berlin-Kiel; A Munich-Ruhr.
 ITALY (Nyderek): A Venice-Tyrolia; A Rome-Venice; F Naples-Ionian Sea.
 RUSSIA (Jolly): F StPg-Bothnia; A Sevastopol-Rumania; A Moscow-Ukrains;
 A Warsaw-Galacia.
 TURKEY (Acree): A Constantinople-Bulgaria; A Smyrna-Constantinople; F Ank H.
 ALL MOVES SUCCEEDED.
 CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Steve Ball, 3745 Keystone Ave. #3, L.A., CA 90034.

ZEE PRESS:

CONSTANTINOPLE, TURKEY:(UPI) 12 Apr 1901: The Turkish Sultan today granted his faithful subjects a rare public appearance. In a quietly restrained, brief speech he revealed a driving ambition to bring "our somewhat underdeveloped country into the forefront of the world's progressive nations."

CONSTANTINOPLE, TURKEY:(AP) 12 Apr 1901): This morning the Sultan of this incredibly backward land spent four hours haranguing a bleary-eyed crowd of indigents. In the course of this screaming tirade, which was clearly audible for miles, this reporter counted 213 repetitions of the phrase "Holy War", 139 mentions of "foreign infidels," and 289 invocations of "Allah and His Eternal Wrath." Reliable sources close to the Sultan state that a maze of diplomatic paperwork has befuddled the Omnipotence into concluding firm alliances with all three neighboring nations, and non-aggression pacts with at least two more-distant monarchies. Thus, Allah alone knows just whom the Sultan thinks he is going to war with.

BAGHDAD, TURKEY:(Reuters) 13 Apr 1901: His Refulgence the Caliph of Baghdad has politely urged the Sultan to use moderation and common sense in "his stinking, bastardly efforts to drag our poor country into the treacherous straits of European politics."

CONSTANTINOPLE, TURKEY:(UPI) 13 Apr 1901: The honors of formal State funerals were accorded the earthly remains of Wilhelm Sledge, senior Associated Press correspondent, and to the mortal remains of Sir Walter W.W.W. Walter-Walters, K.C.B., K.C.I.E., O.B.E., late ambassador of England to Turkey. The 'double whammy' interment ceremony at Potter's Field North, attended by many tearful dignitaries, was presided over by the Imperial Turkish Dogcatcher (Matsud the Maniac Mongrel Muncher) who assured the mourners that the dearly Beloved departed would no doubt find their acclimation to the intensely hot Turkish climate "invaluable experi-

ence for the ...(sunny)... afterworld they so richly deserve."

ANKARA, TURKEY:(UPI) 14 Apr 1901: In an open letter the Sultan profusely commended the Caliph of Baghdad for his recent comments. "Such wisdom, insight, intelligence, and incredibly accurate hindsight must not go unrewarded." Observers credit the Sultan with a fantastic magnanimity toward the outspoken Caliph. A cryptic postmark to the letter ("T.S., Ernie") would appear to be a private, personal compliment from His Omnipotence to His Refulgence.

ANKARA, TURKEY:(Reuters) 20 Apr 1901: The Sultan of All Turkey, in an unprecedented move, has appointed a Vice-Sultan to be the second-highest potentiate in this eastern land. After a tearful acceptance speech by the Caliph of Baghdad, the Sultan commented that the new Vice-Sultan is to be ruler of Little Turkey, responsible only to the One God and his earthly representative the Sultan. The new vice-regent has already embarked for his personal Summer Palace on Berkener Island, center of Little Turkey.

NEW YORK, N. Y.:(AP) 21 Apr 1901: Concerned international efforts to locate Little Turkey have failed; questions about "Berkner Island" were asked here of members of the famed Explorer's Club. The only sign of recognition was evidenced by an intrepid Antarctic explorer, who said simply: "Dear loving Christ."

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA:(Reuters) 2 June 1901): A small Turkish naval vessel paused here shortly for supplies, and to reconfirm its orders by cable telegraph. Ankara's only comment was surreptitiously read by a reporter, who is puzzled by its coded content:"Be good to your penquins, Ernie."

FLASH!!! : It has been reliably reported by the most dependable sources available within the British government that the dastardly actions of old Whats-his-name calls for an immediate declaration of all-out total war against old Whats-his name. (All those with guilty consciences please stand up.)

RUSSIA TO A-H: No more will the Tsar tolerate the upstart from Austria-Hungary: War is declared!

ITALY TO AUSTRIA: Don't you ever answer your mail?

GM TO PLAYERS: Oog! Keep it up!

Spring, 1909

GAME 1968-BK

VCL Game #1

ALL PLAYERS ACTUALLY SEND IN MOVES!

...RESULTING IN ONE BIG, DISGUSTING STALEMATE!

ENGLAND (Jolly-Jelly): f liv (s) a stp; f bal, a stp (s) f liv; f nth, helg bght (c) a edi-kiel; a edi-kiel; f den (s) a edi-kiel; a fin-nor.

FRANCE (Hoyer): a hol-kiel; a burg-mun (s) by a ruhr; a mar-pied (s) by a tusc; f tyr-nap (s) by f rome; f w med-tun; f tun-ion.

RUSSIA (Duncan): f e med h; a war-liv (s) by a mos, a prus; a gal-war; a boh, a kiel (s) a mun; a mun, a ber (s) a kiel.

TURKEY (Gygax): f ion-tyrr; f alb-lon (s) by f adr; f apu (s) f nap; f nap (s) a ven-rome; a ven-rome; a pied-tusc; a tri-ven; a con-bul.

Underlined moves failed. Turkish A Piedmont is retreated to Tyrolia .

PRESS RELEASES:

London: If His French Majesty, HooBoy the Last, doesn't fumble it again, Kiel will be returned to its rightfull owners this turn!

London: Is William Hoyer really Wilcox Stone Esq.? --He plays Rule No. 4 like he invented it!

Players in VCL Game #1 please note that the game has been reverted back to 1968-BK, instead of 1968-BR. This was done on the advisement of Rod Walker, Keeper of the Boardman Numbers. ---GM.

Fall, 1964

GAME 1969-BE

VCL Game #2

AUSTRIA, ENGLAND, ITALY, GERMANY ALL GAIN ONE

- AUSTRIA (Lakofka): a sil (s) a war; a bud-gal (s) by a war; a vie-tri; a ser, a bul (s) a rum; a rum h; f con h.
- ENGLAND (Patton): f stp (nc) h; a nor-fin; f nwg sea-nor; f nth-enc.
- FRANCE (Jolly): f w med-tun; a gasc-mar (s) by f spa(sc); a bre-pic.
- GERMANY (Duncan): a kiel-ber; a tyr, f den h; a bel-burg; a par (s) a pic; a pic (s) a par.
- ITALY (Gygax): f tun-w med; a ven-rome; a mar h (s) by a pied; f smy (s) austrian f con h.
- RUSSIA (Phillips): f bal-swe; a swe-fin; a ukr-war (s) by a mos; a sev-rum; a sak-can (s) by f black.

Underlined moves fail. Players please note that Andrew Phillips is now the player for Russia, having replaced Sam Ferris by stand-by. His address may be found on page one. The supply center court is as follows:

- AUSTRIA: Vie, Tri, Bud, Ser, Gre, Bul, Con, Rum, WAR - 9/8 Bd 1: A Vie
- ENGLAND: Lon, Liv, Edi, Nor, STP - 3/4 - BUILD ONE: F London
- FRANCE: Bre, Spa, Por, Par - 3/4 - REMOVE ONE: A Brest
- GERMANY: Ber, Kie, Mun, Den, Hol, Bel, PAR - 7/6 - BUILD ONE: A Mun
- ITALY: Rom, Ven, Nap, Tun, Mar, SMY - 6/5 - BUILD ONE: F Naples
- RUSSIA: Mos, Sev, Ukr, StP, Ank, Edy, Swe - 4/7 - REMOVE THREE: A Sweden, F Baltic, A Ankara.

Spring 1965

GAME 1969-BL

VCL Game #3

ANGLO-GERMAN CLASH WITH RUSSIA SEEMS IMMINENT

- AUSTRIA (Patton): f gre-alb; a bud-vie; a tri-tyro; a ser-tri.
- ENGLAND (Schleicher): f edi-nwg (s) by f nth sea; a bel h; f enc-mao (s) by f brest.
- FRANCE (Cewan): NMR. a par u (holds).
- GERMANY (Egan): f bar-bal; a den-swe; f hol (s) english f nthsea; a burg-pic; a ruhr-burg; a vie (s) austrian a bud-gal, (no such order).
- ITALY (Duncan): f spa (sc)-port; f lyc-spa (sc); a ven-tyro; a pied-ven; f nap-ion; a mar unordered and holds.
- RUSSIA (Phillips): f blk (s) a bul; a sev-rum (s) by a bul, a gal; a gal (s) by a war; f swe-bal; a fin-swe; a nor-nth sea.
- TURKEY (civil disorder): a ank, a smy, f con u (h).

Underlined moves failed. All players in this game please note a new CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Patrick Egan, 1751 Loma Ave.-Apt. #2, Long Beach, CA 90804.

A STAND-BY PLAYER/REPLACEMENT IS NEEDED immediately for Turkey. The position is still tenable. Duane? Anyone?

BUDAPEST, AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: The armies of Maximilian expect to drink the draft beer of Vienna and Munich soon.

POLL!

Andrew Phillips has suggested that VCLtd. enact a different policy regarding builds. A Build season will be announced, and Spring moves would be conditional upon Winter builds - and would be submitted with Fall builds. All players are requested to state their preferences on this policy: if enough support of it is received, it will be enacted. The present policy makes Winter builds conditional upon Fall move results. The Ed....

FRANCE, ITALY IDLE...

NOTE CORRECTION PAGE 5!

- AUSTRIA (Egan): a tri-bud (s) by a vie, a ser. ← NOTE C.O.A - PG. 3
- ENGLAND (Tretick): a nor-fin (s) by f swe; a edi-nor (c) by f nth, (s) by f nwg sea.
- FRANCE (White): NMR. a bel, a mar, a pied, f lyo, f n afr, f w med u (h).
- GERMANY (Patton): a den, a ven, f hol h; a prus-sil; a sil-boh.
- ITALY (Bunn): a tusc, a rome, f ion, f tyrr u (h).
- RUSSIA (Hazlett): f rum h; a bud-tri; a gal (s) a war; a war (s) a gal; f stp (nc) h; f fin h.
- TURKEY (Walker): a bul-ser (s) by a gre; f con-bul (sc); f e med-ion (s) by f aeg.

Underlined moves fail. The Russian army Budapest is dislodged and annihilated. Russian Fleet Finland retreats to Bothnia; Austrian Army Serbia retreats to Trieste; Italian Fleet Ionian retreats to Naples. The center chart is as follows:

AUSTRIA:	Vie, Tri, Ser , BUD - 3/3 - NO CHANGE
ENGLAND:	Lon, Liv, Edi, Nor, Swe - 5/5 - NO CHANGE
FRANCE:	Par, Mar, Bre, Bel, Spa, Port - NO CHANGE
GERMANY:	Ber, Mun, Kie, Hol, Den, VEN - 6/5 - BUILD ONE: A Munich
ITALY:	Rome, Nap, Yen , Tun - 3/4 - REMOVE ONE: F Tyrrehenian.
RUSSIA:	Mos, War, Sev, StP, Rum, Bud - 5/5: one annihilated.
TURKEY:	Con, Ank, Smy, Gre, Bul, SER - 6/5: BUILD ONE: A Constan.

PRESS RELEASES:

ISTANBUL, TURKEY: (12 July 1903): His Imperial Holiness, the Sultan and Kaliph abu-Ishaq Muhammed ar-Rashid al-Mansur, today ordered all the telephonic devises which had been installed in the Imperial Harem to be torn out. Chief Eunuch Litem al-Pinky explained: "It appears that some of the imperial wives, particularly Queen an-Nasrib bint-Ide, have been receiving lascivious messages from the King of England. Everyone knows that His Brittanic Majesty has a roving eye, but until recently he has managed to confine this to a few French whores and Soho barmaids. That this barbarian chieftain should lift his eyes to the compounds of Izmir, much less to the Harem of His Imperial Holiness, is grossly insulting."

ISTANBUL, TURKEY: 14 July 1903: The English ambassador, Sir Harley Davidson, was declared persona au gratin today, and dipped in a vat of boiling limburger. An official gouvernement communique declared that the Ambassador was no longer welcome in the Ottoman Empire for "attempting to a liaison above his station;" that is, making improper advances to a middle aged prostitute who was helpless to resist due to being dead drunk in a gutter.

CAIRO, EGYPT: 23 Aug 1903: Ottoman forces, advancing from al-Qud (Jerusalem), today overwhelmed the British garrison in the last major Egyptian city under English control. His Imperial Holiness, Sultan and Khali f Muhammed, led his forces into the city and proclaimed a "new jihad" from the steps of the Grand Mosque. Ottoman forces are already moving eastward where, in alliance with Persia, they will attack India. Another army is moving up the Nile to drive the infidel from Khartoum and all points south.

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THE DEADLINE FOR ALL MOVES NEXT SEASON IS FRIDAY, JULY 24th, 1970. Moves should be sent to the Gamesmaster, Bill McDuffie, at 122 17th Street, Buffalo, New York 14213. All Players note this new Chage of Telephone Number: number is now (716)-884-3154. Moves may be phoned in: call 2-12.

France did submit orders for Fall, 1903. Therefore, make the following correction in the last page:

FRANCE (White); a bel h; a mar. (s) a pied; a pied (s) german a ven; f lya-tyrr; f w med (s) f n afr-tun; f n afr-tun.

Supply Center Chart:

ITALY: Rome, Nap, Ven, Tun - 2/4 - REMOVE TWO: F tyrr, F Naples
FRANCE: Par, Mar, Bre, Bel, Spa, Por, TUN - 7/6 - BD ONE: A Paris

RESPONCES TO LAST ISSUE'S COVER...

W. McDuffie
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Buzalus, Novus Uboricum, Ultima Thule

Hieroslyma (Jerusalem)
6 Junius
Ab urbe condita 787

My dear Sir:

In the name of the Senate and the People of Rome, and of the Emperor Tiberius Claudius Nero Caesar, I bring you greetings.

Your head bill for the capture of the notorious criminal, Josiah bar-Joseph (alias Isaiah, Iesus, or Jesus), was called by some Jews "the Messiah" and by some Greeks "Kristos", has come to my attention. A reward of 100 gold sesterces has been offered for the return of this vagrant, dead or alive, to the authority of the Roman Republic.


You should know that the compatriots of this fiend are indeed armed--and dangerous. One of them cut off the ear of one of my lieutenants. This Joseph (or Jesus) person stuck the ear back on and pronounced the man 'cured'--but of course it fell off again when the blood dried. In addition, bar-Joseph is also wanted for practicing medicine(magic) and very poor magic at that) without a license, dispensing food without a health certificate, and other felonies.

It is by no means certain that this Jesus (or Isaiah) is alive. Certain low-class and vagrant native females claim to have seen him, and also to have seen supernatural (or "glowing", at any rate) beings at his empty tomb, but it has been ascertained by my security forces that both of them are addicted to a local herb called hasheshu, or hasish, or some such word, that affects the senses.

This Iesus (or Josiah) has vanished, after having a sentence of death by crucifixion duly carried out upon his person. Our investigations reveal that he was given a stupifying drug while undergoing this penalty, and was removed from the cross long before death should normally have occurred. He was taken down shortly after saying "Man, like it's all over," or some such words, and borne from the scene. He left behind him a rather seamy robe, which we burned since we could think of no way to kill the fleas. It is therefore possible that he is alive and in hiding. We understand that a person answering his description has taken ship at Gades, in Hispania, and sailed west. He used the obviously phoney name of "Ketso Kowatlis", or some such. If you have any further information on this person, please write or cable.

P.S. He was last seen in the company of his mistress, one Miryam Magdalena.

In the name of the Senate and People of Rome,



Pontius Pilate, Procurator

Cable: HANDWASH

S.P.O.R., PROVINCE OF JUDAEA

((By way of San Diego, California....--Ed.))

GARY GYGAX, 330 Center Street, Lake Geneva, Wisc. 53147: As to the vocer of VCL (Vol. II, #2): Jesus Christ was not a vagrant, for he had a trade--carpentry. No place will you see where he solicited money or begged in any way for anything. Of course, he did not need to as he was able to cause miraculous transformations, but that is not the point. A vagrant is one who roves about begging, who has no fixed course. Jesus very faithfully followed a course set out for him from the founding of the world. Saying that sedition was part of Jesus' teaching is patently false. As he said at Mark 12:17, "Caesar's things to Caesar". This included relative subjection to the superior authorities (Romans 13:1) including payment of taxes, tribute, fear, and honor ((sounds like a devious Roman plot, does it not? -Ed.)) according to the Apostle Paul in Romans 13:7. Again, Jesus Christ did not conspire to overthrow the Roman (or any other) government. When before Pilate, he said plainly that his kingdom was no part of the world, neither were his followers (John 18:36). Was Jesus a "hippie type"? What was the color of his hair and beard? No one knows the latter, but as to the former statement, the answer is no. He was a Jew, a Jew who kept the Law perfectly. Therefore, it is likely that he was dressed and barbered as of the fashion of the time...medieval painting notwithstanding! Of course, in Judea a Jew was not an alien, and Jesus does not walk the earth today, so that part of the cover makes no sense whatever. Jesus was put to death at the insistence of the Sanhedrin, the tribunal of religious leaders of the Jews, on a charge of heresy. Infuriated, respectable citizens were not part of this act, by and large. The Scriptures do speak of Peter having two swords, but that was hardly a dangerous armament in that day when most men went armed, and today it would be still less.

((Interesting...note that this is an excerpt from a much longer letter from Gary on religion: the above section pertains to latish's cover only.

((Gary specifies that JC followed the course set down for him "from the founding of the world." This implies that Gary's particular sect disavows the popular notions of evolution, which is confirmed by second-hand sources, though I am by no means certain of the point. I do know that Jehovah's Witnesses believe the earth will end in 1998, or some such ridiculous date (they take Revelation literally), therefore it seems plausible that they believe the world created in 4004 BC, or whatever. In any event, I've recently come across a Jehovah's Witness pamphlet attempting to explain away carbon-14 and potassium-argon dating methods. Their argument was basically: such methods are said to have 20% errors by the scientists that use them: if 20%, why not 100%? Unfortunately, 20% is not 100%, and a piece of wood dated at 10,000 years old lies in the range of 8,000 to 12,000 years old, which is still sufficient to destroy the case against the earth's antiquity. I won't go on with this any further: Gary and I will probably meet sometime this month, and he assures me - "I'll certainly answer all of your questions fully..." Ho-ho...))

((Since we're talking religion this issue, let's stick to the topic: ((A few weekends ago I happened to be flipping through the radio dial, an caught an obscure broadcast from Lynchburg, Ohio: the 'God Is Only A Prayer Away' Radio Bible Broadcast. The preacher wasn't saying much of anything, as is the case with most pulpit-pounders, but one thing came in loud and clear: "This man was possessed of a DIRTY, STINKING, ROTTEN, PUTRID devil, and Jesus cast out the devil and made that man a Christian. And if you are not a Christian, you are a DIRTY, STINKING, ROTTEN, PUTRID person. You can wear all the cosmetics, hairspray, deodorant, (etc...10 min.) you want to, but if you have not accepted Jesus Christ as your personal saviour, you are a DIRTY, STINKING, ROTTEN, PUTRID person." This ranting is an excellent example demonstrating one of the basic principles of modern day Christianity: bigotry. Admittedly, most preachers are not this tactless as the one above (probably fundamentalist Baptist), but however diluted, it is still bigotry. I am saved, therefore I have a monopoly on truth,

and I will go to heaven when I die, while you will go to burn forever in
fire and brimstone. (Simple as that!))

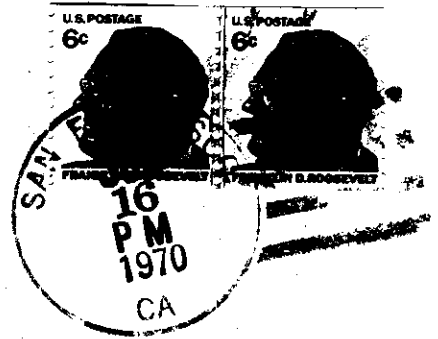
"He who holds or has influence in Vietnam can affect the future of the
Phillipines and Formosa to the east, Thailand and Burma with their huge
rice supplies to the west, and Malaysia and Indonesia with their rubber,
ore and tin to the south. Vietnam thus does not exist in a geographical
vacuum---from its large storehouses of wealth and population can be influ-
enced and undermined."--Henry Cabot Lodge, Chief US Negotiator, and former
US Ambassador to South Vietnam, Boston Globe, 28 Feb., 1965)

"Three American Presidents recognized the great stakes involved in Vietnam
and understood what had to be done." --Richard M. Nixon, 3 Nov., 1969)

"With its 100 million people and its 3000-mile arc of islands containing
the region's richest hoard of natural resources, Indonesia constitutes
by far the greatest prize in the Southeast Asian area." --Richard M. Nixon,
Foreign Affairs, Oct., 1967)

PLAYERS PLEASE NOTE: the deadline is extended to July 31st, 1970. Remem-
ber that all mail to Sid Jolly should be sent via Air Mail.

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