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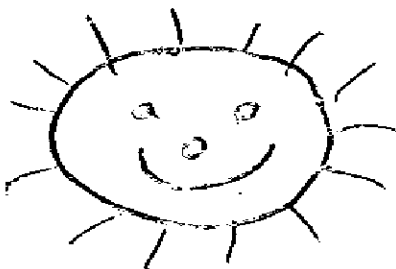
This is Estonia, a funzine, called by some "Occ. Zippy St. Illness". The sub fees are ONLY \$5.00 for 10 issues, and this is a double issue, as you can see. This rag is done by John Caruso 160-02 43 Ave Flush, NY 11358 212 353-9695. Those playing games receive M-7, the game zine of M.

M features Kathy's Korner, done by the "BLOODSUCKER" herself, Kathy Byrne. It is the highlight of this otherwise, very lite and bright zine.

There is a whole bunch of garbage in here this issue. An article or 2, and the usual stuff, minus a profile or 2. The Westwind game has ended, the Showcase game has started, we have a roast, quotes, and all sorts of other things, possibly including, your own, official, 1982 Leader Poll Ballot.

There are no game openings, for now.

Well, since I know I'm not going to have an end page, I'm going to make this page 1 and the last page. I hope you enjoy this issue as much as we enjoyed putting it together for you. Other than that, I don't know what else I can say. Oh yes, any of you who wrote articles for this issue will have your sub extended on your next lable, label, if its not on this one.



Rank	Zip	SubZ	Name	Rating	Votes
1			EUROPA EXPRESS	8.24	34
2			Sleepless Nights	8.18	22
3			The Schmeer	7.68	13
		1	From Women Only	7.00	4
4			Irkone	7.00	23
		1	Phyllis' Pyramid	7.00	4
4			Tasky	7.00	6
6			Give Me A Weapon	6.50	28
7			Paranoiacs' Monthly	6.47	17
8			Dot Happy	6.33	30
		3	Diplomatic Immunity	6.22	9
9			Coat of Arms	6.14	22
		4	Magnificent 7	6.00	4
10			Anduin	5.90	20
		5	The Snake Pit	5.88	8
11			Great War In Modern Memory	5.80	20
			Y'ALL	5.77	13
12			Erebor	5.27	15
		6	Bersaglieri	5.17	12
			Peck	5.14	14
		7	East of Eden	5.06	16
		8	Ace In The Hole	5.00	13
13			The White Duke	4.86	21
14			Klepto Mania	4.00	8
15			The Chamber	3.67	27

Publications Rated on Less than 10% of Ballots (44 total, 4.4 rounded to 4)

- 10: Kathy's Korner
- 9: Woodpecker
- 8.6: Tufu
- 8: Blarney Stone
- 7: Diplomacy by Moonlight, Magnus, Winsome/Rosacome
- 6: Grab Dots, Scotch Brand Tape, Stab Is A Four Letter Word, Wry Me
- 5.5: Dobson St. Conspiracy, Pax, Return to Dip, Russ-Q
- 5: Toxic Shock Syndrome
- 4.5: Benzene
- 3.67: Navel Orange
- 1: Born to Dip

NOTE: There are a number of ineligible publications listed in this second section. All votes received were tallied, eligible or no.

Egads! Thanks to generous publicity from several of my fellow pubbers, the number of people voting this year jumped nearly 150%.

Congratulations to Gary Conlan on his well-deserved #1 ranking, and to Dave Carter who almost beat him out of it.

I'll save most of my pertinent comments for next issue, as 12 (!) commentators put their 2% vote in on the Class of '81.

The above was taken, as is from Jihad. Congrats to Gary, Dave and Steve for the top 3 finishing. Also, congrats to Phyllis, Jeri and Pam for the tie for 1st in sub-zine, and to Woody for his 3rd place, very respectable finish. The wait for Jihad, almost made the wait worthwhile.

NOW FOR THE BEST PART OF THIS RAG *****KATHY'S KORNOR*****
The only subzine around that dared to nickname Scoop Berch & by the way he complained - but do we care - NO WAY! We are even going to rip his complaint to pieces! Sorry, Scoopie, but logic has no place in KK, around here it's "GOOD GOSSIPY SILLINESS"!!!!!!!

KK this month is dedicated to two of my closest friends! The two people who wrote and told me to "DUNK SCOTT'S HEAD" -- my honey, Bob Olsen and my German friend Frauke Petersea! Unlike Scott I did not have to bribe them to send in their votes with offers of free issues of W! But since they had enough sense to vote the right way - they will of course receive a free issue of W (and it will have KK in it too, unlike the free issues of Irskome which only carry some Spaceport crap!). If you people out there do not send me p.c.'s telling me to dunk Scott's head you will be on my hit list, and I won't be nice to you anymore! If I was Grabar, I'd get that vote in before I start abusing him! The KK BLACK LIST: Mark Lew, Mike Barno & Spaceport Michalski! Since they chose to take Scott's side they will receive no recognition here! See the next time I mention your name Toots!!!!!! So there!

And now what you've all been waiting for - the questions from the morons!
KK: Do you know my name was mentioned 8 times in KK last month. And not one of them was Nice! Are you trying to wreck my new image of "Honest Dave"? You're jealous, aren't you? Who ever heard of an honest Bloodsucker? The best you could do is Kickin Kathy. It doesn't have as nice a ring as my name does.....Gruesome
Gruesome sure does have a nice ring about it, just like the ring around your collar! I only mentioned your name 8 times, well I'll have to mention it alot more or Mr. Scoop will become more well known than you - Rod Walker mentioned his name 36 times in DW! And if you write any more complaints - I will mention your name 40 times and none of them will be nice! This corner is not nice - it tells it like it is! If you want nice ~~ta~~ sub to "Alice in Wonderland"!.....I'll kick you!!!

KK: Guess what? I think I have just set a new record! Do you know I didn't lose a single game at the Byrne Con on April 3rd? How's that for great playing? Pretty good - huh?.....Honest Dave
Liar, Liar pants on fire! You did too lose! We set up a game of Proxy Dip Woody was Dave Grabar - he played six countries, your opponent was Woody played by Mark Lousy and he had Austria to start! But at the end he owned everything! Now don't you feel stupid, you couldn't even beat Woody!

KK: What do you think of someone, a toady, who would put in his Son of Lexicon of Diplomacy, several entries concerning his toady-master such as "Doomie" and so on?....Unemployed Toady
Dear "I'll save you from a Scoop Berch letter, by keeping you anonymous!" Now you know Mark must mention Bruce's name, just the way Walker mentions his and just like I mention Dave Grabar! Some people just like to see their names in print. I won't put too much stock in Son of Lexicon after all WOMEN is listed as a seperate category! What are we some kind of freaks! (I bet that crack gets me another letter, from Mark). XXX&0000 me

KK: What's the matter with Fish Brown lately? Has he gone crazy? Did you know he stabs people? Dead?...Martally Wounded
My poor honey, fish certainly is starting to become a problem, I think he has been hanging around Grabar too long! It's the Ca. sun, it causes brain damage - look at Steve Langley! And if that isn't enough proof, check out Rod Walker!...Boy am I looking for trouble this month!

Stay tuned for Pg. 2 and see how much trouble I really get into -
DAVE GRABAR, DAVE GRABAR, DAVE GRABAR, DAVE GRABAR, DAVE GRABAR!!!!!!!!!!!!

For people like SCOOP - this is page 2 of KATHY'S KORNOR!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

KK: Did you really write that letter in DW? "My favorite part was John A. McCallum, Profile of the Fast"? Don't ask me why, but somehow that doesn't sound like you. I didn't get DW #29 and so I didn't read the article, though, so maybe it was better than it sounds....You wouldn't be putting ol' Rod on, now, would you?.....signed your partner in crime
Dear Clyde, I sure did write that, I'm really into antiques, and McCallum is antiquish as you can get. You should know I like ancient things. look at the car I drive, better yet look at Caruso!!!!!!.....Bonnie

KK: What does the initial "L" in Mark L. Berch's name stand for? I thought his nickname was "Scoop"?.....sign me nose
Dear Beak: That L sure doesn't stand for lovable - probably LOSER!!!! Or maybe even LUCIFER! i'm telling we have a devil among us! I think that everyone should write in and tell me what they think the L stands for - now Scoop don't bother writing because we are not going to believe you anyway! Isn't this fun every month we can have a Mark Berch contest!!

KK: If the short plump one wasn't Grabar either, then how come every game he played was a Chowchilla Variant?.....Grabar's twin Langley!
Dear Sun stroke victim: This question makes less sense then the last one you sent in! I don't even know his girlfriend, Chowchilla, so how could I possibly know what kind of Variants they are into, I really don't think that you should pry into Dave's love life, he doesn't write and ask me about yours!.....see sometimes I do stick up jfor Dave!!

After a Langley ? I always feel it is time to move onto something else - go Moving right along hereLET'S GO METS!!!!!!! I have a feeling I'm going to go over 4 pages this month, because I still have to roast Bruce, I want to tell you about Woody at Shea, I have to print Scoop's comments, quotes of the month and a word or maybe two on a certain fake!!!

Quote of the month submitted by (a person on my black list, so I refuse to print his name!):

Announcer: "Sir, what is your position regarding ignorance & apathy?"
Woody: "I don't know and I don't care."

Another quote of the month, submitted by the fine Southern Gentlemen, who has agreed to become my campaign manager in my feud vs. Scott Hanson! The best writer in the hobby will be helping me, and all Scott has is a person with a Wood head & sawdust for brains, and some boring Ohioan to help him! Thank you Gary for this quote, it just proves all pa. people are alike!

Tom Mainardi: "I got an article from Mark Lew today."

Gary Coughlan: "Can you read it?"

Tom Mainardi: "No, I don't have it with me!"

I want to thank Steve Duke, for sending me the picture of his outhouse! Thank God, he only sent me a picture of the outside, I can just imagine what the inside looks like, especially if he is in charge of cleaning it, instead of cleaning the outhouses like he is suppose to, he spends all his time making Long Distance phone calls at 5 a.m. to John Caruso! Wait till Gary finds out - he's charging these calls to him - if I was Duke I'd move to Mississippi!(Bet you thought I couldn't spell that!)

Oh, well I guess it's time to go back to Scoop - first he monopolizes Diplomacy World & now he's trying to take over KK! I bet Dave Grabar is saying over "my dead body", just like most of the countries he plays - DEAD!

I know the suspense is killing you, but you'll have to wait to page 3 - of KK to see what happens, well at least you don't have to wait for Jihad!!!!

Page 3 of KK the subzine that made Dave Grabar FAMOUS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

One sorry excuse for a person, actually sent in a late entrant for the Mark Berch nickname contest, I'm sure by now you've all guessed he's from Calif. and that his name is Steve Langley! But I will print his name so that Scoop will have to write him a letter too!!!!!!! Too bad I weren't Olsen, I let him slide by as anonymous, so Mark wouldn't tell him about the Doomie? on pg. #1.

"Weatherman" I'm sure I need not Elucidate, but I will. (KK: Lucky us!) Not only is the image of a Longhaired warmongering radical evoked, but so is the image of one who is vitally interested in the weather around country. Fit's Mark Berch as closely as anything else in Dipdom fits, except for, perhaps, Dipdom itself. (KK: I think Caruso's girdle fits better!)

Now for the trouble maker in this zine and his complaints: Guess Who??? As for "Scoop" -- no thanx. To begin with, a one syllable nickname for someone whose first and last names are already one syllable doesn't sound right. It has an athletic connotation which is quite inappropriate. And it reminds me of "Scoop" Jackson, a senator whose foreign policy I abhor. And since you all said a few issues back I think it was that the nickname was up to the person, I must decline. Besides Woody has already taken to writing me with "Dipimaster", so if its good enuf for Arnawoodian, Larzelere and Bech, it should be good enuf for anyone. KK here, amazing he kept that under 1,000 words! Now Scoop, where did I ever say you can decline a nickname - you don't really think that Dippy Don wanted to be called Dippy, or that Woody likes to be called Fuddybucker (well, maybe he does!). You have no choice, if you don't like the nickname you fight it out with Dippy! And you better hope it doesn't catch on, but from what I've seen, everyone likes it but you. How come you're always a majority of one! Oh, make that three - I'm sure Bruce and Rod won't like Scoop either! By the way, when I saw I thought you looked quite athletic! You reminded me of a bat boy! And since it was reported in Spaceport that I'm one of the "IN 6" - you better not fool with me, or I'll get Grabar after you!

Then he has the nerve to write more and say "With regard to "gossipy silliness", I hope you weren't taking any offense! The description is accurate, me thinks, but it was not meant to be derogatory. Believe me, if I thought there was anything wrong with silliness, I wouldn't be subbing to W!"

Well, Scoop, me thinks, you protest too much! Everyone knows that this is one of the most serious zines in America. People write me with their ??'s and they want my expert advice. Would you answer their ??'s, of course not! Now I don't meddle in your "Silly" convoy debates, so I don't think you should make fun of the serious players who need help from me! If it wasn't for my seriousness - people like Woody, Grabar & Langley, would find that no one in this hobby takes them serious! and when you send out that serious DD on the mustard statistics, then I know you are really as serious as the rest of us! By the way, the article was for print wasn't it - if not I hope no one reads it! And if you do read it, please don't squeal to Scoop or he'll try to get the positions, some of them are quite good - but most of them are pitiful.

W and KK were faked, what an outrage! Langley went and got a 2nd job so he could pay the new sub rate increase, Al Giddings yelled at me for calling him plenty? HUH! Ron Brown from Canada (offered me a trade) he liked KK and John Boardman swears he will get us! Don Del Grande accuses John of being a crooked GM and changing his mastermind guesses & Vern Schaller called to tell me, the guesses he made were impossible - Dave Grabar didn't even know the difference! All this because Gary Coughlin had nothing better to do - now that he is my campaign manager vs. Paul Head Scott, I'll keep him busy! Yew, Lousey, I say Amen too!!!

Vern Shaller said he couldn't believe anyone would go to the trouble of trying to sound like me and John - I think he thought it was impossible! Well, the fake didn't fool me at all! See how smart I am - I immediately knew it was a fake - I didn't even understand KK & I was suppose to have written it! Besides it was much too pretty for us! I must say though that a lot of what was in W & KK was indeed written by us! I really wrote that article on the lack of women in dip! It was suppose to appear in EE (you know the zine where no one but me speaks English, and Brooklyn English at that), well Gary said he had no room for it - to say I was surprised to see it in KK is an understatement! Now for all you people who wrote to tell me that my research was fantastic - no I didn't research it at all, I made it up! And if one more person writes and asks me who is Sister Marie, I'll scream! I made her up, she was kind of like my counterpart to my Uncle Al (Brother Jude, O.S.P.) the biggest liar I ever met! I think I inherited my talent from him! Anyway, I'm getting side tracked - the fake was believed by many - it was a good fake - John cried from the time he read it - he couldn't believe he missed his date with Liz! Woody is still walking around ~~bruxing~~, I mean Bruxing! Anyway Gary, a job well done! Now do the same for me in my feud with Scott or I take all the nice remarks back! This is the 2nd time that Gary has faked me, he did it once before in Retaliation and I didn't even know it was a fake - this guy certainly has writing talent! Well Gary!

Woody is his name - aggravating N.Y.er's is his game!!!!!!
by One of the IN 6!

Did you ever try and take someone from Northern Phillie to any place respectable? I did - do you know what DISASTER means? If you think Woody's playing is funny and his GMing horrendous - that is nothing compared to his lack of ability to make it in a big city like N.Y.! This man (AC/DC?) doesn't even know how to act around N.Y.er's. You would think he was from Alaska or worse Oklahoma!

I decided to give him and Mainardi a break and take them to see the best baseball team around - THE N.Y. METS! Live at Shea! First mistake - Woody knows as much about baseball as Grabar knows about Diplomacy! No one in their right mind goes into Shea Stadium and roots for the Expos, but guess what jerk did! I told the guys behind us to throw a beer on his head at will - I warned them he was an Expo fan! He really was lucky to get out of the stadium alive!

But let me tell you where he spent all his time - at the concession stand! Tom and I would go up for food and drinks and be back in 10 mins. When Woody went up, Caruso would send for the F.B.I., he would miss at least three innings a clip! Well, one time I went up with him, to see what was taking him so long - there was four people on line, and with that two people cut ahead of Woody, so I said "Woody, you'll be here forever, say something those two just cut ahead of you!" He said "Are you nuts, there are two of them and only one of me!" I figured oh, well, he's just scared! What do you expect from a guy who spends his time in Suite #100 with men!!!! But the clincher was when some lady cut ahead of him - I said Woody, tell the old bag to get at the back of the line. Woody said "Hey, Lady, get to the back of the line" "Do you think this is, a rest home for old codgers?" Well, the old lady grabbed her purse and starting beating Woody over the head, at this point Woody invited the entire Senior Citizens club to cut ahead of him. What character this man has? Can anyone find it?!!!!!!

Then we go out to the parking lot and Woody decides to play the Phillies theme song on John's car horn! Did you ever hear anyone toot "Taps" on a car horn. Well now, he has aggravated everyone in the parking lot!

7 And still more of Kathy's Kornor & my ramblings!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

He has everyone tooting their horns! This is driving Mainardi nuts! Mainardi jumps out of the car & locks the guy behind us out of his car so he can't beep his horn! Oh, the trouble Woody has started! There are some poor Canucks trying to read a road map and merge at the same time - this can be real dangerous to your health in N.Y. Woody has the nerve to yell out the window that all N.Y. road maps given to Canadians are purposely rewritten so that they get lost and wind up in Jersey - we don't like foreigners here - he says! The Canadians are not impressed, but I tell them I'm not impressed with Dave Carter or Steve Columbo either so I can pacify them - I mean the guy tells me that if that's the only exposure we've had to Canucks, he can understand our attitude! He claims they are the Bowery Bums of Canada! Truer words were never spoken!

Next we have to cut across five lanes of traffic - in N.Y. this is a real task but not if you have the Wood head with you - it is easy. He has the nerve to tell me that people in N.Y. have no manners and that they won't let you in! So I stick my hand out and tell, 4 MACHO men in the car next to me that the guy in the back seat says that N.Y.ers have no manners and that they won't let us in - Well, the driver jumps out of the car and dares Woody to step outside! Woody immediately rolls up all the windows and locks the doors, being as bright as Woody is he doesn't realize that John has a convertible with the top down - so we have to take a trip to the emergency ward where they diagnose Woody as terminally stupid! You've got to be crazy to pick a fight with a N.Y.er!

Anyway, I just want to say the high point of the day was when Mark Berch was thrown out of the stadium. It seems his head was shining so brightly that the planes flying overhead thought it was the lights to La Guardia airport and they actually tried to land on third base!

But the quote of the day, had to be our Woodhead's statement when he said, when the Met's were down 6 - 0, two out "Oh, boy the tying run is in the dugout!!!!!" And when Foster came up with a man on first Woody made another brilliant observation: he said and let me quote otherwise no one would believe me: "Oh, good George is up now all he has to do is hit a six run homer and we win!" Enough said, on to Brux.

Lucky you Brux and here it is!

Boring Bruce

by the only flicker of light in the In 6

I was asked to roast Brux, this is not an easy task - that's comparable to asking someone to prove Woody is bright or that Dave Grabar can play dip! So, now you understand what I am up against! But I'll give it my best shot!

Bruce is really a nice guy, it's really not his fault that he fell in with the wrong crowd! I mean he could have just as easily fell in with me as Berch and Walker! They took advantage of him - they made him feel like he must rewrite the rulebook, they made him feel important for having 5,000 house rules, it really wasn't his fault! When I first met Bruce, I liked him - but then Berch and Walker took control, can you imagine a puppet and he isn't even playing dip with them! Poor Brux - a guy with a dog that runs away & friends who tell him to throw novices out of games! With friends like this, he'd be better off with Caruso playing outfield for the Mets & that would be something - ever see Caruso run!! I hear it is almost as funny as Woody making Dip Moves! Seriously, Bruce is really not that bad!

Yup, it is still me Markie - KK goes 6 pages and gets thrown out of W!

When I met Bruce, I was amazed it was like he was a different person! He was SHY! (Maybe Woody should take a lesson) Anyway he is a real kick when he gets drunk! It sure is easy to get him drunk, one whiff on a beer and it is as if he's smoked 6 joints - he's flying.....high! He likes to talk when he is drunk, and boy can he make up a good story. You'd be surprised how many convoy situations are really hysterical, as Bruce sits there using my cigarettes for fleets, my matches for armies and he draws a dip map on the table cloth. He even managed to get his face slapped for asking the waitress what he thought about his taking Brest!

But after he loosened up, we got him to talk about hobby personalities! He said Doug Beyerlein was a fascinating old fossil! He said, "For an old timer, he's alright, his age really doesn't seem like much of a handicap!"

His comments on Dave Gabar, were a little mean, he said "The only thing funnier than watching Dave play dip, was listening to Gary try to speak English."

When asked about Woody, all he'd say is "he was a good PUPPET at Gen Con, so I rewarded him in Suite #100, but those days are over for me - from now on I want a real man!"

When asked about me, he said "You really should stop helping Mere novices, and you really should be more seriously involved in hobby politics, and stop laughing at convoys and such - you sure have a weird sense of humor"

When asked about Caruso, he said "Best damn feud I ever had, but he just refused to follow the rules I said were for feuding, that's not nice".

He also told us his favorite zine, no it wasn't W, he has no class, it was VOD! His favorite GM was Bruce Linsey! And his favorite house rule is the one which gives him the supreme pleasure of being able to throw novices out of games! All in all he is a real nice guy, if you like the flu, you'll love Brux!

Closing comments from KK: Caution this column may be hazardous to your reputation - everything here is done in fun, and no one should take anything written about them serious - except for Dave & Woody!

It seems Steve Heinowski's copier bit the dust, I feel for you Steve my car did the same thing, I found a new one, now all I have to do is borrow \$2,000. The I.R.S. saw fit to make use of my money, by telling me I was into them for \$300. Hell, nuke those taxes! So Steve maybe you and I better find second jobs! Which would be easy except for one thing, I'm working 11 hrs. a day at my normal(?) job! Oh, well time to hit the boss for a raise!

Jihad has finally arrived, Glenn promises to be more regular from now on - John Daly and I will be watching him, and if there is anymore signs of burnout we will ~~max~~ move on his games with little or no warning as these games are really starting to be a headache!

Mike Mazzer also has burnout of the brain, he wrote Woody a letter calling him "Cupcake" and "Passionate Flower"! Maybe he's trying to get into Suite #100!

I am looking forward to Dip Con this year, and esp. looking forward to meeting Scott Hanson, Keith Mercer, and everyone else I talk to on the phone! I am really looking forward to dunking Scott's head & if I lost, I'd be crushed, and if you are next to me in a dip game and you cause me to lose, you'll find your country CRUSHED!

By the way, this is the end of KK, in case your name is Mark Scoop Berch!

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THE BRUCE LINSEY INTERVIEW

This interview takes place at ByrneCon, on April 3. The following Key is to help you understand who is talking as there were a lot of people present. BL=Bruce Linsey; JC=John Caruso; TS=Tom Swider; KB=Kathy Byrne; MB=Mike Barno; WW=Woody; TM=Tom Mainardi; ML=Mark Larzelere; BW=Brad Wilson; DM=Dick Martin; JG=Julie Glass; JM=John Michalski;

JC: So Brux, since its early in the morning and everyone else is still sleeping, lets start this interview.

BL: I'm with you, fire away.

JC: What do you think of Crud and Julie sleeping together on the floor?

BL: No comment at this time as theres no HR (house rule) covering such a problem.

JC: How many HRs do you have?

BL: Very few people can count that high, so I stopped numbering them when Scoop told me to.

JC: You always listen to what Scoop says?

BL: Sure, he's always right, besides he is very smart.

JC: What do your HRs cover?

BL: Anything from sex and potatoes to abusing virgins and being Scoop toadies.

JC: Are you really going to design HRs to cover feuding?

BL: Whats a feud? ((Just then some of the guys enter the kitchen))

JC: Is it true that you styled VD after BB?

BL: How could you say such a thing. VD is high quality, high priced, and A-1. BB has a place in the outhouse with the sears catalogue and BF to be used instead of toilet paper.

TM: What?

WW: Thats a new word for Tom. Now hes up to 4 letter words.

JC: Are you trying to say that John Michalski styled BB after VD?

BL: JM styled BB after Scoop Berchs sense of humor.

TM: sort of like ATO- remember that? ((Against the Odds=ATO))

ML: No what was it?

TS: I think a hobby joke about furry people.

TM: John? (pause) John? (pause) Caruso (pause) Sir- remember ATO?

JC: Yes I remember- it was a zine designed to sucker in novices.

TM: You mean like VD?

BL: I take exception to that.

ALL: Horrendous laughter

JC: Are you looking forward to Dipcon?

BL: No, I don't really care.

JC: Aren't you looking forward to staying up all night discussing convoys?

BL: Definitely. This is 1 of the most important policies effecting dipdom today. To not discuss it would be silly. Isn't this the point of the cons anyway?

MB: You mean you don't go to cons to play dip, to have fun or try to win?

BL: No- who cares about ratings. Besides, I can only win if I play with Woody.

WW: Thanks Brux, but how can we solve the Allens Wells problem this year?

BL: He can play in a glass bubble or a giant hamster ball.

TM: But I heard JM was bringing a black spray paint to paint Wells balls.

BL: Thats a violation of HR 876, section 4, part C- No loaded weapons allowed at cons. Besides, Scoop wouldn't allow 1 of his toadies to be "Black Balled"

KB: What really went on in Suite 100?

BL: Do I ask you about your love affairs??

WW: (jumping up and down very excitedly) oooo oooo, can I tell?

BL: Shut up Woody- HR 1033 covers us.

WW: I thought we had a blanket coverage.

JC: Silence is golden, eh Brux-o?

WW: Brux, Brux-Brux, Brux

BL: Now I know why they call you a mindless drone.

B7: Can you plug my new zine "Reborn To Dip"?

BL: Over my dead body.

B7: Good, when do we kill you?

ML: Get the gun.

Just then the telephone rings--- brrring, brrring

JC: Get the phone Mike.

MB: Theres the phone?

JC: Never mind, I'll get it. Hello

JM: Its me, JM, the executioner. You summoned?

JC: Its JM.

KB: Oh, its my Toots honey. Let me talk to him. (as KB grabs the phone from JC and pushes him to the floor)

JM: Hi Luscious. You want Brux, De-Bruxed?

KB: Yes. Hes up to his old tricks again.

JM: You mean throwing out novices, making more HRs, attacking people, toadying to Sacks and Berch and printing trash?

KB: Oh yes Toots honey.

JM: I'll be there on the next plane. (he hangs up phone)

BL: What did my good friend JM say?

KB: Hes coming here and bringing his M16 and Bill Shaffer.

W7: Whats an M16? Is that anything like M-7? Do they run games there?

JC: Brainless, Mike, Brad- drag Woody outside.

W7: No, not Brainless, not that, anything but that. Not a Mediocre!

As Woody is dragged out of the room, screaming and kicking....

JC: Back to the interview now- How do you know which orders are invalid?

BL: I toss the orders up and the ones that fall to the ground are no good and the ones that float are valid. The ones that are invalid, I make amendments to my HRs to cover up my reasons for disallowing them. If the players complain, I get Scoop to back me. He has forgotten more answers than I remember. He is so clever, he can think of almost anything. And if he can't, Rod Walker will jump right in and give an example from the year 1802 when there was 4 people in the hobby.

B7: They are all homosexual lovers.

Horrendous laughter breaks out once again.

B7: And I thought that you were so dull Bruce?

JC: Why did you pick EE as the 1 zine to carry your only game start in the last 20 years?

BL: It was better than picking my nose. There are 3 reasons tho. Gary has one of the more exclusive zines in the hobby, not like the other riff-raff. Gary is the only GM that would accept the list of 500 well-known hobby personalities that I refused to play with. Gary runs 12 week deadlines. Since I figure to live forever, the other players will die off and I'll win by 1903.

TM: What happened between you and Jack Masters?

BL: We broke up.

ML: Who is the next best GM after you?

BL: Bernie Oaklyn. He showed me how to throw people out of games.

ML: Why do you, Scoop and Walker always defend each other, no matter what you do?

B7: Like I said before, they are homosexual lovers.

BL: No, its just that together, we know all there is to know about dipdom. We have to correct anyone who says 1 of the others Slander such as that, only slows down our eventual rule over the hobby and the entire Earth, our ultimate goal.

KB: What do you think of Dick Martins GMing?

BL: I love it since he uses the throw in the air method of validating moves. He takes the pieces, throws them up and wherever the pieces come down on the board is where you are. He sure does hit Kiel alot.

Woody returning to the room

W7: Thats because its in the middle of the board.

KB: What do you think of JCs GMing?

W7: He won't let me win.

BL: Not bad for an Italian. He uses the vino method, like Mainardi.

WW: Why not include your HRS in the Supernova Novice Package?
 BL: Why send my brilliant HRS to a bunch of novices, who I'm only going to throw out of VD anyway. Besides, when players ask me for my HRS, I don't send them a copy until after I've used my rules against them.
 WW: What do you think of the Don Del Grande method of GMing?
 BL: Hes Rod Walkers idol. He throws the board in the air and where it lands is where he adjudicates.
 WW: What about Wigadoo?
 BL: If I can't be Seargeant At Arms Schmuck and toss out people at will, I take my followers, all I of them, and join Elmer Hinton's exclusive Organ. As sick and Julie finally wake up.
 DM: You started this interview without me, and Julie?
 BL: I control my own interview. Never let anyone or anything control yours.
 JG: Dick doesn't. He controls his life now, moreso than Gary.
 JC: Speaking of Gary again, Brux, what if Gary dies or if there is a nuclear war? What will happen to your EE game?
 BL: If Gary dies, Elsie will take over GMing and shes a better GM anyway.
 JC: What if Gary NMR's you with one of your own HRS?
 BL: Then there will be a nuclear war!

And on that note, the interview ended. Everyone said their farewells and headed home. ByrneCon had come to an end with the interview. The Barnos returned to Endwell, where Tommie once again became a teenager, Brux returned to the Great White North where he became a tyrant again. Dan returned to his sub to continue his roll as Diver Dan, Dick and Julie took Lousey with them back to the DC area and ~~My~~ ((whats that?)) the Reagan home center, Woody and Bennie ((Fast Fingers)) went back to the city of Brotherly Losers, Philly, only to return in 2 weeks for the celebration of Toms 13th birthday ((covered in KK)), Fred Townsend and his brother No Name came and went on Saturday, sort of like a wind, And good ole stu was like a ghost, again. Alan Moom never showed- he was scared. Dippy Don went to Hawaii instead, the nerve of some people, Norm Schwartz has dis-owned us, Faz goes everywhere except to NY, Tbots, Y'all, Phydeoux and others paid phone visits. All in all, everyone had a good time. Even John Daly came up from NC just for this one.

Anyway, since I don't have an interview for next month, thanks to Rerun, you will have to wait until someone important comes to visit, unless you want me to interview boring Tom Fast Fingers Mainardi, Jerky Turkey Fred Townsend, Fuddybucker again, or
 At any rate, at Origins/Dipcon I will try to conduct at least 1, possibly 2 interviews. I am not going to give up on a "Scoop" scoop.

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I found the Ad on the left in a local newspaper. It is the Tom Mainardi School of Grape stomping. Notice our olive-skinned beauties? They are happy to be among Fast Fingers (we should rename him Purple Toes) finest pupils. These charming girls are the best of the stompers. They not only crush grapes, but remove the pits with their toes as they are stomping the little suckers into juice.
 For information on how you can get involved into the school, write to Tom Mainardi c/o Grapes of Love 1403 Lawrence Rd Havertown, Pa 19083. The tuition fees are reasonable. All you have to do is sign a release allowing old Tommie baby to lick your feet when your done for the day. You can have pleasure while you learn, have your toes sucked by the teach. Join now and get a free sucking absolutely free.

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BRUCE LINSEY, the true story of a real S.O.B.

by Woody

The World of sports has Jimmy the Greek. Here in Dipdom we have Brux the Jew. Brux the Jew is Satan's gift to Dipdom. Having Brux around is a real curse. Every time Linsey's zine Voice of Doom arrives I feel as though God is punishing me, like serving a penance for a past crime.

Brux the Jew is like Jimmy the Greek. Both are bull headed, mentally unstable, ugly cranky, and most of all BORING. In fact if you ever met Bruce or read Voice of Doom you'll know that Brux's specialty or forte is inflicting boredom on others. Brux wasn't always like this. When Brux the Jew was a youngster growing up he could not... even produce a yawn out of the person he was conversing with. Then one fateful afternoon Mark Berch, the king of the simple minded (Michalski is one of his subjects), found Brux.

Brux and Berch thought on the same wavelength. This was great for Berch. Here was someone for Dipi Master to mold. And mold he did. In two short months with Berch, Linsey became a genius in the field of curing insomnia. No one but no one could converse with Brux for more than 38 seconds with out falling asleep. Even the deaf could not put up with Brux. Most teachers would not be too proud of such a product. But not Berch he felt Linsey was his star pupil. Of course that did not mean Berch wanted anything to do with Brux. In fact soon after Brux graduated from Simpleminded U. Berch packed up and moved the school to Virginia.

Now Bruce was getting lonlier by the minute. He could not understand why anyone would not want to converse with him. After all, his favorite topic was toenail clipping and his second favorite was that universal subject, Convoys! All of N.Y. state avoided Bruce Linsey, The Berch made pusseycat. (except for mike Barno, and Linsey would never get that desperate to converse with him)

This is when Brux decided to join The Postal Diplomacy hobby. This was the place Brux would inflict his low-class humor (humor??), bigotry and tackiness upon others. Simply being in dipdom was not enough for Brux the Jew. You see Berch taught his pupil to be greedy as well as boring. So Brux decided to publish something called Supernova. This enabled Brux to catch the new blood entering dipdom before the open and fair minded publishers got to them. This Supernova thing was a poor excuse for a novice packet. Brux even had the nerve to charge money for the thing! (This man was worse than his mentor, perhaps Kathy Byrne, the Bloodsucker tutored him) The problem was none of the so called veteran dip publishers would stand up to Brux the Jew. They were afraid Brux would call them up. Ok, it wouldn't be so bad if Brux called in the evening. But Linsey would call in the afternoon or morning. More often than not he would call you at work. Quickly putting the person on the other end to sleep. Their boss would walk in and fire them for sleeping on the job. (Brux is a real nice guy) So Brux was allowed to grow and grow.

So here we have Brux, described at best as a boring, devious, power-hungry, Mark Berch worshipping, S.O.B. Men who chew hockey pucks are not even as feared as much as Brux is throughout the world. This thing Brux is a whirlwind, it grows and grows. His public tormentor is a publication called the VOICE OF DOOM. It is here that Brux puts to use everything he has learned in his first two centuries of life (surprisingly it's over 4 pages). It is here that Brux brain washes people, giving him an endless supply of Toadies (ie- John Michalski). Unless someone stands up to this menace the world of Dipdom as we know it is doomed. What can we do? Only Gary Coughlan, the cruel and wicked southerner can save us. Only Gary has the nerve, audacity and lack of common sense to stand up to this Berch product. It is up to the rest of us to coerce Mr. Coughlan into this suicide mission. But we must stick together and if we are lucky we'll kill two birds with one stone.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: Woody-(On Easter Sunday, while watching the Masters Golf Tournament)-"Why the hell would they hit the ball if they're going to chase it?"

John Daly (standby France): I guess Russia and Italy were serious about the F-I-R draw. I thought for certain they'd be coming after me. My thanks to John Michalski and Mary Beck for an enjoyable game.

Mary Beck (Standby Italy): Just want to say super about the game. Especially since next turn I was going to completely stab France and would probably have slit my own throat. I'd like to thank John Michalski very much for his good sportsmanship when I faltered and John Daly for same. Between Austrias NERs and my alternative ones in this game, I have no illusions of having been a great asset to this game- but again, I thank Russia for pulling it all together. It really was his game.

John Michalski (Russia): "Finally" was a weird game, just like you'd expect playing in W. I allied with Aus (Pam Overby) against a Tretick stooge in Tur. Pam S F Rum-Bul(EG) from Ser in fall, while the toady bounced her out of Greece, so both A and T were weak. Tur should have been smashed fast under an A-I-R charge, but NERs were the rule instead of the exception. The weirdest thing is that Aus worked with me when she did have orders in, BUT NEVER WROTE TO ME THE ENTIRE GAME! Not even ONCE. It was all 1-way-- really weird. She was on the verge of CD, so I got together with the new Ita player to take Aus out. I was leery of succeeding because A-I were both girls and might automatically ally, but Pam didn't seem to write Ita either. Ita NERs made it necessary for me to take out all of Tur and much of Aus, but a stab by Budayfuckers Germany tied me up. Fortunately, he was his typical diplomatic self, so that I could and did take Nwy from Eng and make peace with him, all in the same season. The west was a mess the whole game, and Marys Ita and I might have swept the board but for a long F-G truce and solid play after John Daly took over France. While I probably could have gone for a win, I preferred to have at least 1 ally no matter what, so I stuck with Mary, even as we were 10/5 and 12/6 in my favor. I preferred to stay on good terms with John and Mary both, as well as keep them from getting together to stifle me. I hate long games, so I gladly went for a 3 way split between us. A win may have been possible, but I didn't want to "use" Mary, and I figured John would be a solid opponent, so I think it was best to just take the F-I-R draw. This way I've 2 quick friends instead of 2 pissed doestoo, which keeps the game enjoyable. I'd rather have a friendly 1/3 now, than the "maybe" of a bitter possible win somewhere down the line. Its more fun to draw and go on.

My thanks to Mary for believing me, and to John C for a decently-run game. It was fun.

John Caruso (GM): Did you ever notice how John M allies with the girls in every game he ~~plays~~ joins? Anyway, I'd like to thank all the players in this game, tho I don't know why. Except for Toots, NOONE had a kind word for the GM. I did run an excellent game, didn't I John? Anyway, thanks, and I'm glad everyone had fun.

Diplomacy World : DW #30 is out and it looks real good. It includes the results of the Beyerlein Player Poll, The updated Dragons Tooth rating system, some interesting articles and letters, and Mark Berch's name is mentioned no less than 36 times. Yep, ole Scoop steals the show again in DW. DW also has a new sampler system that is being implemented this month. If you don't already get DW, you should. For a sample, send a few stamps to Rod Walker c/o Alcalá 1273 Crest Dr Encinitas, Cal 92024. Oh yes, please don't call Rod as he is very busy and doesn't have time to talk to you about "Woody Type" nonsense, or "Lorber Type" questions.

Scoop Berch Dept: This stuff is getting boring. However, maybe Scoop will take up meteorology, and predict the next war. Anyway, it finally got warm, sunny and springy.

MASTER MIND: This game finally ends, but look at the results!!!

Schaller:	x,x,x,x,x,x	6 Right	WINNER
Del Grande	x,x,x,x,x,x	6 Right	WINNER
Langley	x,o,o,o,-,o	1 right,	4 wrong place LOSER
All others INRed.			

Two free issues of W will be added to both of their subs. Anyone wishing to submit an end of game statement, it will be printed. Also, if anyone is interested in another game of Mastermind, please drop me a note by May 22.

PRESS: Langley: I'm beginning to understand why Crabar liked orange so much.
 DDG-GM: Now its down to 1 chance in 2 (It would be 1 chance in 1 had it not been for that NMR) I have a feeling that this game is over now tho.
 GM: Whose fault is the NMR? And yes, the game is over. For those interested the correct solution is Blue-Green-Green-Grey-Yellow-Green

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1982AB Showcase Game Spring 1901 Everyone makes it in, and I'll bet that the players wish the GM would NMR! Sorry about the mix up guys. There appears to be many interesting things going on in this game. Looks like alliances and cross alliances. And some nifty footwork to boot. For those of you unaware of it, this is sort of like a demo game.

AUSTRIA Flowers: A Vie-Tri; A Bud-Ser; F Tri-Alb;
 ENGLAND Woody: F Edi-Nwg; F Lon-Nth; A Lvp-Yor;
 FRANCE Olsen: A Par-Bur; A Spa-Pie NSU; A Mar-unordered; F Bre-Mid;
 GERMANY Williams: A Lun-Bur; A Ber-Kie; F Kie-Den;
 ITALY Grabar: A Ven-Pie; A Rom-Ven; F Nap-Ion;
 RUSSIA McCloud: F Stp(SC)-Bot; A War-Sil; A Mos-Ukr; F Sev-Bla;
 TURKEY Wilson: A Con-Bul; A Smy-Arm; F Ank-Bla;

PRESS: Aus: Alot is really 2 words, a lot. I think maybe you should get a proofreader((sic))

GM: Proofreader is 2 words, proof reader. Hmmm, I already have a proof-reader. I have a sublist full of them. You're not paying for perfection, you are paying for entertainment. If you want perfection, I'll have to raise my subs so I can hire Mistress Julie to proofread.

Eng-GM: Is this another fake game?

GM-Eng: No, but all of the players are fakes, including you.

Rome: Peace is all I ask for, and all I seek. I consider everyone my ally right now!

GM-Rome: It seems like I print that press for you in every game that you are Italy. Hmmm. Are you sure you spelled piece correctly?

Mar-Rom: Sorry chum, but you lies weren't very convincing and anyway, I have it on good authority that you're do good.(Thanks Paul!)

Fra-Cuest Commentator: To help you out in figuring out the significance of my opening, I just wanted to pass on this one little tip: I don't know what I'm doing. ((That is obvious))

Par-Mos: Sorry but according to the "Brux Philosophy", you must be my 1st target. Prepare to be overwhelmed by my toadies.

Olsen-Caruso: Can we say "teady" in this zine?

Caruso-~~Olse~~ Olsen: You can say anything you want. Did any of you ever notice how poorly I spell and how many typos I make?

Olsen-Caruso, AGAIN: More important, can we toady in this zine?

Caruso-Olsen: You even have me typoing my own name. I don't care what you do in here. Nobody takes this "Gossipy Silliness" serious anyway.

Due date for Fall 1901 is June 5, 1982. For those of you playing Eng, that means 6 week deadlines, for now. At least until I can make sure our Aussie friend can make it in 4.

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Vote in the Leader Poll, 1982

THE DIPDOM PAGE

This is that new section of W that I started last issue to keep you informed on current events, whether it be Dipdom or outside of dipdom.

As I stated last issue, the new Zine Directory is out. Write to Mike Mills 47 Mayer Dr Suffern, NY 10901 and sent 75¢ for your copy. Hey Mike, where is my copy?

The Galactica Diplomacy Federation is announcing that it has an interim Ombudsman in the absence of an official ombudsman. He is John Caruso-yeah team. If you don't have any problems, you can write to him and he will cause a problem for you. Then when the official ombudsman takes office, he can solve all the problems John has created. In Woody's case, the solution to the problem is John Michalski and an M-16.

Jihad has come back- but for how long Charlotte? Frankly, we are glad to see it back, and hope it sticks. This issue was less filling than the past issues, but did have a burn-out article written from experience by Glenn Overby and the Freshman Poll of '81 results, which will appear elsewhere in here. Glenn's new address is for those of you interested in reading about burn out. SASE for the sample and I suggest all of you new pubbers try to get hold of a copy of this article to read. It may save you an embarrassment.

W was faked, but by now, I'm sure you all know that. A lot of the stuff that appeared was original material written by the author, but for another publication. I can not tell a "fiction", Mark Scoop Berch did the fake. That's why he hasn't written anyone except me in the last 6 months.

GenCon East is back on, this time for the weekend of June 17-20. Kathy and I plan to be there. TSR Hobbies, the fantasy game people from Minn will be the sponsors- and I thought only losers like the Twins, North Stars, Vikings and Scott Hansen came from Minn. Wait, TSR is from Wisc, that explains it. Anyway, for information on the Con, send a SASE to Skip Williams The GenCon Game Fair PO Box 756 Lake Geneva, Wisc 53147

Origins is building momentum. Its to be held at the Univ of Md, the Balt campus. Kathy and I will definitely be there. If you are planning to join any other tournaments besides dip, you are given this advice, from me, from experience. Sign up early. The longer you wait, the more likely the tourney will fill up, and most of these tourneys have limits to the #'s of entrants. For an extra order form, you may cut out the reproduced one I have put in this issue. However, if you don't have the info booklet, which has a million pages, you'll have a hard time filling out the order form. For the info, write to Origins PO Box 15405 Balt, Md 21220. By the way, it is July 23-25, and they have few rooms left from what I hear.

DipCon will be held in conjunction with Origins this year. You can either join thru the Origins catalogue, or you can write to Mark Scoop Berch 492 Naylor Pl Alexandria, Va 22304, for info, but enclose a SASE.

I forgot to mention where GenCon will be held- Widner College, Chester, Pa where Origins 1980 was held.

MidWest Con will be held May 15-16 in Chicago. Its being run by Eric Ozog another of the infamous toadies. For info, write to Eric at 1526 N Lawler Chicago, Ill 60651. That one we can't make, but Crud is going.

ByrneCon-9 was a smashing success. If I have room, I'll print more about it elsewhere. The next ByrneCon will be announced soon. We plan to have a minicon sometime in May, and a major one in July, the weekend after Origins. Hopefully, Frauke and her puppy Scott will be here for the July one. We are also trying to coerce some of the Calif into staying on the East Coast an extra week just to parttake in a world famous, dipdom renowned, ByrneCon. So far, we haven't coerced too many-like O.

MORE ON THE DIPDOM PAGE

Still no word out of Canada from John Leader about doing the North American
time and GM poll. If anyone hears anything, please lets us know. I hope
John isn't too involved that he can't handle doing the poll this year.
I think we all look forward to it, I know I do.

Someone wrote and said "Still no Terrain": I suggest you write to Steve
Heinowski immediately as T did come out last month, but his machine broke
down. In fact, you might see T mailed from a different location for a few
months until Steve can scrape up the dough for a new machine. I won't
say from where, I'll let you get surprised.

Steve Chadaix is playing Houdini again, to no ones surprise.

The Yankees have fired their 7th manager in 4 years. Steinbrenner, NY's
answer to Hitler has canned Lemon for the 2nd time, to rehire Michael
for the 2nd time. How long will Stick last? Hmmm, with a name like stick
he should either be a drummer or play dip. Steinbrenner would make a good
diplomat too. Give me Greece or I'll get a new GM.

The Argentines have taken what they claim is rightfully theirs- the Falkla
Is, since the last W. In that time, the Brit have already retaken the
Georgian Is and were preparing to attack Falkland when this was being
typed. So except for some blood and shell, the world hasn't changed any
in a month.

Good news from the White House, Congress has convinced Ronnie to compromis
on his raw deal. With the help of Congress, they ought to turn the Raw
Deal into the Poison Apple.

All the F-16 fighter planes have been recalled. Something about defective
landing gear- I say, big deal. If those gutless pilots would fight to the
last man, they wouldn't need landing gear. Bring on the Space Shuttle
strategic Weapon.

Scott Hansen, pubber of Irksome has come up with a GM directory for those
interested in how their GMs are rated, unbiasedly. SASE to Scott Phydeux
Hansen 701 15Ave SE Minneapolis, Minn 55414 will get you, not only the
GM directory, but the infamous Son of the GM Directory, which others have
tried to plaguerize this idea with other Son of services. Write to Scott
today, it is his idea.

Steven Duke cleaned 3,894½ outhouses in western Shelbyville alone last
month. He plans to head to Mississippi where the toilet dew is thicker
than the Mississippi River, or Gary Coughlens grits.

Speaking of Gary, I will get even with him for all the postage, phone
calls, time and other aggravation his little prank has cost me. Pick on
a Yankee will ya, you Rebel. See if I let you win anymore Mastermind
games. And just wait till you see all the fictions I'm going to write
about you.

Remember when John Michalski published a good zine? Now he only puts out
these trashy subzines that carry personal attacks on Woody. So what if
Woody deserves it, look at the source. Ah, what I wouldn't do for the
good old days when ole JM's comments were kept to nil and all he did was
~~XXXX~~ print letters of comments to the editor.

Do you want something reprinted so the whole hobby can see it? Contact
Mark Scoop Borch 492 Naylor Pl Alexandria, Va 22304. Mark is the reprint
custodian, and he'll see that your article or story is reprinted in the
very next DD, and he does it for free. So if you have some ~~XXXX~~ story or
letter that you want everyone in dipdom to read, send it to Scoop.

Have you seen Voice of Doom lately? Neither have I? Its surrounded by
billions of houserules. However, if you get thru the HRs, theres a zine
there that has a diversification equalled by none, not that any would try
Send a SASE to Bruce Linsey 24A Quarry Dr Albany, NY 12205

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STILL MORE ON THE DIPDOM PAGE

The top 7 players in the dragons Tooth Rating System are: Dave Crockett, Bill Hart, Ralph Morton, Mark Berch, Randolph Smyth, Drew McGee and John Zipper. The next highest Y readers represented are: Kathy Byrne #16, Bob Osuch #29, Don Ditter #34, and John Caruso #37. The entire listing is in DW #30. Send \$2.00 for a sample to Rod Walker- under DW plug.

The top Bayerlein Player Poll finishers were:

1- Kathy Byrne	8- Allen Wells	15- John Michalski
2- Jack Masters	9- Jack Fleming	16- Mark Berch
3- Randolph Smyth	10- Robert Sergeant	17- Steve McLendon
4- Lee Kendter Sr	11- Bob Olsen	18- Mike Mazzer
5- Ron Brown-Cal	12- Blair Cusack	19- Keith Mercer
6- John Caruso	13- Gary Coughlan	20- Bill Hart
7- Don Ditter	14- Bob Arnett	21- Al Pearson.

Some of the ~~blissett~~ ~~litt~~ best players in dipdom are on this list. To get the entire stats on the results, write to DW, again.

Son of Lexicon and Grandson of Lexicon are out. For those of you uninformed as to what Lexicon is, its a list of all the dipdom sayings and important words, past, present, future(??). For a copy of any of these, mail Scoop Berch address elsewhere in this issue, 50¢ for grandson, 75¢ for Son and 1.00 for the original Lexicon, or you can sub to DD and request they are deducted from your sub fee.

John Pack has a change of adress. 240 Kimberley Lane Los Alamos, NM 87544 For those of you who don't know, a John Pack is what you become after a nuclear explosion. A more severe case would be a Tro Sherwood

The NY Mets are fighting it out, hot and heavy for 2nd place in the East Division so far. The only reason they aren't in the battle for the top spot it because the SL team is playing above their heads.

The NY Islanders are down to 2 more series before repeating as the best in hockey, again. But was there ever a doubt? Have you ever watched them? If not, I suggest you do so. They are awesome.

Mike Mills address elsewhere, says he'll be restarting his zine Enchain Macho again, big deal. We were ~~happy~~ sad to see him go and his return will meet open ~~hands~~ hands. Does this mean your subzine-Mangusted in COA is going to be defunct as of May? I hope not. I always enjoyed your babbling in dipdoms only collection of numerous, below-par, sub-zines. If Mikes EM is half as good as it was the last time, he will fold up in 1 year this time instead of the 2 years he lasted the last time around.

Purina cat food goes on sale this week in most NY supermarkets. It will last only for 1 week, so hurry and get your cat food now.

Also, Swansons frozen food are on sale. For those of you who plan ahead, now is the time to stock up on your survival kit food supply. Buy out your grocer and store the food in your own silo. Be prepared for the inevitable. You can also purchase M16's from John Michalski to fight off the Commies when they come. John also has a variety of other fighting material. Send a SASE to him at Rt 10 Box 526Q Moore, Okla 73165. Oh yes, and if you need anything else, cleansers, clothes, jewelry, etc, write to Dick Martin 6103 Breezewood Ct #202 Greenbelt, Md 20770.

One last thing, for those with frogs, and toadies, this year, scientists are predicting an extremely large number of flies. Cash in on your blue chip flies now. They are cheaper by the dozen. Get the eggs and breed your own food for your toadies.

This seems more like a toadies issue, but as you can tell, maybe you can not, but this issue is a roast Brux issue. Come to think of it, a Toady issue and a roast Brux issue are the same thing. Hahahahahahahahaha

SWING INTO SPRING

with WOODY the FROG



WOODY SEZ:

"BRUX! Brux-brux-brux-BRUX!"

but everyone else calls this

W O S E S T T W

S P A C E P O R T

#6

"You will never find a more wretched
hive of scum and villany"

At least not outside COAT OF ARMS, Ben. This, by the way, is MOS EISLEY, a subzeen put out to annoy the hobby and fill space in assorted xyns desperate for filler and/or of low moral standards. Since this is the BRUX issue of W, what better place to infest this time around, right?

This issue's cover was inspired by the brilliant fake W most of you should have seen by now. The more you know about personalities and the ins and outs and current goings-on, the more you can appreciate the

MOS EISLEY is an itinerant and irregular subzeen produced by John Michalski, Rt 10, Box 526-Q Moore, Oklahoma 73165. Comments and contributions of all kinds are welcome, pro or con.

work that went into that thing. Really top notch if you are able to understand it.

WIIRD MAIL is something I like to both get and send (See Woody's letter below, e.g.). Aside from that, there are the calls from home during the day sometimes with the word that I got an issue of "Foot In Mouth" in the mail (I can't tell if that's Sigwalt's or Martin's latest), a "Gross-out" (probably Boardman's GROSSFARCE), and a letter "to Lutz". That would be a letter from KB (not Konrad Baumeister). It seems Kathy makes her Ts like I make Ls, so Claudine invariably reads it as 'Lutz'. When legible, she calls it "toots" as in "boots", since as she says, "You never heard of a train going tut-tut, right?" With such cynicism as that, its good she doesn't write press...

For those of you who recall my earlier note of surprise about Don Sigwalt going over 2 years, the mystery has been solved in the latest H&M #25. It seems his first 1 1/2 years were as a subz in the old pillar CLAW & FANG, and went only to his players. Only since #17 has the real world seen it. I'm glad I'm not totally losing touch with reality. For a while there, I wondered if I'd read too many letters from Mark Berch or something!

As for corrections, I should also perhaps mention that Konrad Baumeister has sent out his latest GENERAL MOTORS ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION free, to make up for the mess the earlier issue was (which I also noted). A nice gesture. At first, I couldn't tell if the wierd issue was a joke or not.

Also, John Caruso has objected to my crack about his immodesty and the wearing of that "I-gagged-Linda-Lovelace" T-shirt at the last Origins. John says that he is not that much of a braggard, but is quick to add that "of course it IS true that when aroused, I have been known to pass out from lack of blood". Keep it up, John.

Have you ever wondered as I have, why, with all the businesses failing and all these people out of work (there, not here in Oklahoma), more people don't build and operate bowling alleys? Have you ever seen a bowling alley with spare capacity? Have you ever been able to go into a bowling alley and just bowl without signing up for some damn league? I haven't. That's why I hardly ever bowl anymore. The damn places are stuffed full all night long (the post office had a league that played after 2am for us 2d shifters, e.g.), and all day long on weekends. Why not build more then? Brux, is this some Yiddish plot to keep America under control or something?

Speaking of plots, how about this latest letter from Fuddybucker:

Toots,

What's a total loss? No, not you, you're only 99.7% of a total loss. It's a 7 foot nigger with a 2 inch prick who can't play basketball.

Are you going to Origins in July? Good, after what Coughlan and Hanson told me about you, I don't want to meet you anyway.

PS: I enjoyed your joke in MOS EISLEY last month about Mainardi and I. Classy, real classy!

Glad you liked it, Steve. Every once in a while, we hit one right on the head like that.

Actually, I was almost tempted to try Origins. Texas International has flights there and back from here, round trip, for \$158. I'd go it it wasn't for boarding and car rental on top of that, plus meals and

the like. It's a good bet I wouldn't spend anything on games, since there is nothing out there except all this fantasy bullshit for the closet-elf types, but the socializing and some pickup wargames would be nice. Not for over \$200 out of pocket though. No, these so-called "national" conventions are pretty much just regional bashes for you characters in the Bos-Wash corridor and southern California. The real country is out of luck (or spared, depending on what cons you've seen). Origins is no more worth my vacation time and much \$\$\$ to me than would another St Louis con be to you. Like you say, who'd really want to meet you anyhow? If it weren't that you have the reputation of being a sure loser, I can't see that you'd make it into ByrneCons. Maybe someone in the East could write us an article on that sometime? Anyhow, do write again (but not too soon.) It's the nut mail like this that keeps the column flowing.

Have you ever wondered why Xerox machines act so poorly all the time? As luck would have it, Xerox has a big office a few floors down in this building. Getting on the elevator at 5pm gives a good answer as to why Xerox stuff has so many problems, breakdowns, foulups, etc., for as we pass their floors, you get to see who (or rather, what) gets on and off there. One could say that they have a disproportionately high percentage of freaks, blacks, fat old women, retards of all stripe, and the like, but that would imply that there are some normal people working for them too. That, it appears, would be a lie. The only normal people getting on or off there are sales people from other companies coming there to deal with them. I hope Xerox is making really big bucks in the jobs-credit department, what with all the veteran black lesbian welfare hard-core unemployed that they employ. I haven't seen any gay Indian cripples in a while, but I'm sure they have a few somewhere. They seem to have dug up every class of loser there is, just for the combo of tax credits and social engineering PR to use in their appeals for government contracts. As poorly as their equipment performs, it is likely that government will soon be the only buyer interested in Xerox brand stuff: it may not work, but it sure meets or exceeds all the social quotas the feds hold so dear.

With Xerox right here in the building, our copiers by the way are all IBM. I can't really recommend them, other to say that they are better than Xerox. Personally, I recommend Kodak stuff myself. Their copiers always gave me the best and most reliable results over the years.

Yesterday was tax day here, with three of us driving downtown to turn in by hand a large assortment of assorted government forms and filings. I originally was going to use some form excerpts for the cover page, but then the fake WHITESTONIA came along with a good picture of a ~~wood~~ frog, so I couldn't pass up the tie-in to the play that was in the fake. If you didn't get one, you might write the Byrne Dairy on Martha Cole Lane and ask if there's a sample available. Or maybe Dick Martin will give you his. Anyhow, we had fun going in, standing in line, and finally getting up to the window. I was carrying nothing, unlike those that had preceded me, so I got a smile when I stepped up. Then I said, "We have four crates of form 1065s to turn in" and her face dropped. "Bring them around there" she indicated, and went to open their security door. I was surprised that there were no protestors or anything there. Just a lot of old folks too fuzzybrained to figure out what "signature" means, and the like. Some black punk ahead of us spent a lot of time negotiating with this old woman as to how to pay some overdue bill. She settled on \$20 each two weeks, probably just to get rid of the bum. But the IRS deserves all they get in grief. It was nice to bring in 4 more crates of it for them.

Enough for this issh.

MY HOUSERULES, LOVE 'EM OR LEAVE 'EM

By BRUKS

Yes, that's what I said, if you don't like my houserules, you can get out of my Dipdom. Why? Well, I'll tell you....

REASON #1: Houserule #648, page 32, section 14, subsection 6, paragraph 2, line 3 explicitly states: "Under no conditions may an individual denounce, vilify, abuse or otherwise be mean to these houserules without suffering immediate and total rejection by all Doomies." As you know, Doomies compose the entire worthwhile sector of Dipdom. Rejection from this elite clique is tantamount to death.

REASON #2: I am a teacher of your children. I am empowered by the state of New York to subtly implant subliminal suggestions into their developing minds. My power over the future of this nation is tremendous. There is no doubt that one day one of my former students will be your manager or employer. One day, a mental switch will go off in his (everyone knows that women are unfit to lead) head and you will spend the rest of your employed days living in fear of hissing terror he shall wreak upon thee.

REASON #3: God shall strike you down. Do you think I put that first lightning bolt on the cover of VOICE OF DOOM? Of course not. I'm not that clever. The issues are mystically imbued with that emblem while in the mail. Only Doomies capable and interested enough to mystically imbue anything. I DID ask to be put on my standby list. You'd think He could have his own staff though, and not have to worry about free issues.

REASON #4: Rod Walker has called me general and other nice things. Obviously with recognition like that, I must be doing this for your own good.

REASON #5: I created the entire Black Hole Hoax to impress the power of the houserule upon novices and experienced veterans alike. Top ranked players shiver in fear at the mention of my houserules, as does the BNC, MNC, INC, FNC and any other NC you can think of. I went to considerable effort to create the "Matt McKibbin" persona so I could destroy it. If I find that effort was wasted, I shall be pissed. And that is not a pretty thing to see. Jack Masters saw, and you know what happened to him. Read the gory details in Houserule #223, page 12, section 27, subsection 13, paragraph 1, line 1 with a further update in Addenda Houserule #1018.

So there you are, five great reasons to love the most complete set of rules ever devised (I'm STILL finding holes in Calhamer's set. Can you BELIEVE that he overlooked the possibilities of a fleet in Budapest!?). If you still can't adore them as the simplest, most beautiful thing you've ever seen (and believe me, they are. I forget which HR # that one is), then love them for all the great things they have brought to you.

Me.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: Tom Mainardi (to Woody)-" Why is it windy everytime we go to Flushing? I suppose it's a prelude to Kathy and John, the big winds."

LETTERS or WHITESTONIAS WITTY WORDS

A little something from me 1st. For some unexplainable reason, I have been besieged by letters this month. I don't actually understand it. I'm sure my Southern, Fictional, Friend has something to do with it. Anyway, here is only a part of the mail I received, which is printable. If you wrote and your letter didn't state for print, it may not be here. I had to cut the stuff off somewhere. About 1/2 of the letters I cut said about the same as most of these- Aren't your subs too high at 1.50 an issue, the Boardman profile being funny, the Garden of Eden being boring, etc etc. Enough of my non-sense, let me get on to your non-sense.

Dear John, ((from Jim Williams, one of Gary Coughlans pseudonyms))

I have enclosed a check for \$5.00, which I believe should cover 10 issues of W for me. In my letter to Kathy, I told her Gary's fake of W was the final push I needed to get a sub to W.

Anyway, here I am, ready to join the ranks of W subbers like a sheep going to slaughter. I promise to write once in a while and I may even write an article or 2 someday. (promises, promises)

I don't know if you have any game openings((no)), but I can't get into any games right now anyway. I have too many things going on outside dipdom to take on any more that I have now.

None-the-less, I hope that this letter begins a long and mutually satisfying relationship between you, your zine and myself.

((Hey, this is W, not COA or VD. They're the ones that go to suite 100 not me. Besides, the relationship between me and my zine is excellent. I like how you compare W to a slaughterhouse. Hey, everyone is treated Wequally here. You only get what you deserve. Just wait till you get into KK, now thats a slaughterhouse. Only Gary would have too many things going that he can't join a game- things like delivering the mail, faking zines, writing everyone in dipdom, etc. Hey you bring up a good, new point, you say Gary did the fake W. Hmmm. How do you know?))

Dear John, ((from Brenton Ver Ploeg, Garys Florida maildrop))

Motivated as I am by well-done parodies concerning people that I know absolutely nothing about, as well as the opportunity to observe KK, I enclose a check for...gasp...\$15.00!?? ((choke,choke,choke))

Obviously, I did not check this price before subscribing.

Well, on the theory that I am this far along, already, and that my secretary's invaluable time has already been invested to this point, I will enclose my check anyway. For this price, I want some nude photographs of Kathy Byrne.

((Did you know that you had your seccy type this for you during National Secretaries Week. Did you get her some flowers? If not, buy her a rose from me, tell me what it is, and I'll extend your sub, accordingly. Aren't you glad I'm not your sec, I make more typos, than the Germans made mistakes at Stalingrad. As for your sub money, it will be well worth the investment, but I can't see what Gary is going to do with so many issues of W every month. But wait until next letter..... Oh yes, I don't give out nudes of Kathy. You either have to write the source directly, write to her representative-Gary Coughlan, or the horny West Coaster, Dave "Gruesome" Grabar. You could try Toots Michalski, but might get shot at for trying to steal his Luscious.))

John, ((from Lu Henry, pubber of Tacky))

Received the fake W. All things considered the original is much better than the fake. At least it was a compliment to fake the zine. Debbie O (can't reach Glenn by phone) says she expects to receive Jihad on April Fools day. I don't how to interpret that. Have you heard anything?

((As you know by now, Jihad has come back. You couldn't reach Glenn by phone because it was disconnected. Thanks for nice words about W..))

23 Dear John and Kathy, ((from Fred Davis, pubber of Bushwacker))

I received your copy of the latest W yesterday. I'm presuming that you may wish to resume trading zines. In any case, here's a copy of the latest Bushwacker, just off the press.

((Here is the perfect example of how fakes hurt people. Fred thought the fake W was real, and sent a sample of his zine, thinking he has a trade. All those who fake zines should be deported to Mississippi, or Steven Dukes backyard, the same difference.))

Dear John, ((from Tim Meinel))

Thanks for the sample of W- I've heard alot about it (all good) and enjoyed the opportunity to read it. However as a night student at the Univ of Wash trying to get by on what I make and raise a son is really hard. I imagine when I finally graduate next year, a blizzard of sub checks will go out across the country and doubtless, one will land in Flushing. Thanks again for the issue, and take it easy.

((I take it anyway I can get it. I hope your sub check comes to this Flush pubber, not the other guy, whose name I don't even mention. Haven't you ever heard of planned parenthood? Why anyone would find a son on a street corner and take him in is beyond me. That's how Woody got to be the way he is.))

John, ((from Mark Fazwo Fassio, world traveller))

Thanks for the plug in W.

((Don't mention it))

John ((from John MacFarlane))

Thanks for the sample of W. Its got a lot of good reading material in it. Unfortunately, I think the price is a little steep for me. May be later. Keep up the good work.

((Here's another example of how fakes hurt. Here's a guy willing to sub but he thinks the fees are 1.50 an issue. His brain must be radioactive if he thinks anyone, in this day and age, can get away with a sub fee of 1.50. Nuke the sucker, and the faker. All fakers should be exiled to Falkland Islands, where the next nuclear test will be conducted by the British.))

John, ((from Richard Williams, Australias gift to dipdom))

Enclosed is a bank draft for the fees. Suggest you allow 5 weeks between turns as 4 isn't always enough. Do you have HRs for dip? ((Not really)) I can't sent you my zine just yet, its at the printers and the photocopy machine broke down- my mother runs off copies at her workplace- she's a typing teacher. She could probably teach you a thing or 2 about setting out your zine W. I had W for a week before realizing that there was a dip game starting.

I'm also a very horny guy, but it isn't helping to get the wife preggo yet! For a living, when I'm not "acting"(fooling around-the wife just corrected me), I drive buses-yesh- those great big suburban things that always get in front of your car when you least expect it. We have 3,500 buses in Adelaide alone. I'm really built like a pot-belly stove, not a toothpick with wings. Sidney is not that close either, about 2000km, or 1300miles, a day and a half solid driving. I've done it twice so far.

Do you mind crazy press for the W demo game? That's good cause you're going to get it anyway.

PS: Whats M-7?

PPS: We're not down under, you are. The south pole is at the top of the world, at least they say it tops.

((Unrelated message)) This was an empty space 'till I wrote this in it.

((My answer on the next page))

((No cracks about my typing and organization. That's what makes W original. Besides, it's been said that nobody can teach me anything. You are perfect for my ~~Latest~~ Showcase game- you didn't even know you were in the game. You're almost as bright as Woody, and you take those long car rides, and you wonder why the wifey isn't preggo. So do I, with you gone so much... Pet-belly stove eh? How many burners do you have? Are you sure you drive a bus? In Australia, I've heard that they're called junk. Always driving, bet you even drive your wife and mother crazy. You can write any kind of press you want, just try to keep it clean. Did you ever notice how machines always break down. Now why don't they break up?))

John ((from Andy Lischett, pubber of Cheesecake and Dir of Can Orphans))
Thanks for the sample of W, but I'm not looking for any more zines right now.

((Neither am I. It was a fake done a notoriously nasty person.))

Dear John, ((from Eric Ozog, pubber of DBM and Toady extraordinaire))
I'm sorry you didn't read Diplomacy By Moonlight, I thought it a fine issue and that you and Kathy would enjoy it. I sent that issue as an exchange for W#46, but since you have returned DBM, enclosed is \$1.50 as payment for that sample, as you asked.

I liked #46, I read all of it, including KK, and In The Garden Of W. John Michalski was depicted well. All around it was an entertaining issue.

((Eric, as said as in keeping with your policy. Anyway, you have returned the check under proper circumstances for 3 issues and will receive 3 issues. I'm sure when you see the real W, you'll enjoy it 1,000,000,000 times more than the slanderous fake.))

John, ((from Dave Gruesome Grabar, pubber of Italiano Pribe))

You know John, I've watched you take W from a 1 game zine, to the excellent piece of work you put out. For 46 issues now, I've been watching you grow. You never cease to amaze me. You continue to present original material and excellent games. The effort to out a zine of this calibre is phenomenal. I feel that W is one of the top zines in the US. Keep up the good work.

((Thank you Dave. You and I have been friends since I joined dipdom in 1977. I can honestly tell you that W is my favorite zine. But I don't make it that. You do, and all the others who read and sub to W and participate that make this zine what it is- "Gossippy Silliness". Everyone makes it fun for me to put out, and when you're having fun and relaxed, it's easy to think of ideas. But the credit for W being so good must go to Kathy too, and not only for KK. Her influence on me, and our-"Two heads are better than one" way of doing things is what makes everything fall into place. Oh yes, and alot of my ideas aren't original. I take ideas that either didn't work elsewhere, or weren't presented to their upmost elsewhere, and present it as fun. I think you could count my own original ideas on 1 hand. Most are second hand, but I utilize them, for better or worse, as long as I can.))

Dear John, ((from Tro Sherwood, a radiation victim))

W46 was great. The cover art was certainly better than Lews, and the quality was fantastic. The center staples alone are worth the new steeper price. Keep up the good, great work.

So, you know of course who did the fake! Its so obvious. I was in fact fooled for 2 minutes until I got to the sub rate and when I hit that part of the front page I read the front to that point and knew it was a fake. ((sic))

I knew Gary did it because that article by me is really mine ((alot of the stuff by me and Kathy is ours too)). I submitted it to him for EE, and then he puts it in a fake. The noive of some people. His well-known pseudonym "Gregory Russell" should tip everyone else off. He even admits it in the last line.



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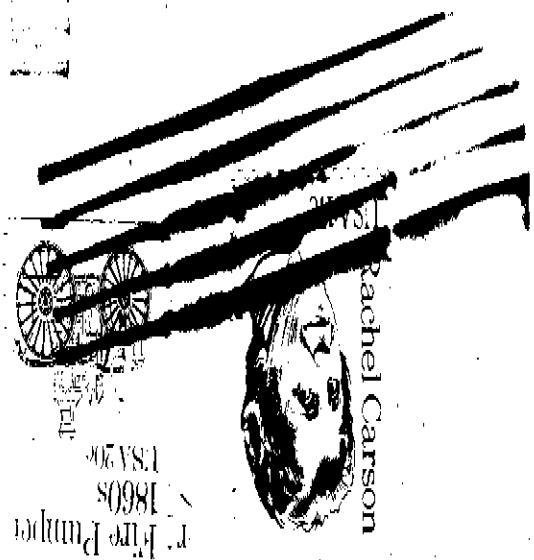
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Any other zines that you would like to vote for that are not listed, you should write on a seperate sheet of paper, in alphebetical order.

BRUCE LINSEY AS I KNEW HIM by Bob Olsen
(from Europa Express #200, September 1997)

Few people nowadays remember Bruce Linsey (with good reason), but at this nostalgic moment, Gary's special All-Reptile Issue, I would like to share just a few of the thoughts I have on this most notorious of hobby personalities. Bruce, or Brux as he liked to be called (that's why I call him Bruce), has faded completely from view; and yet, he is out there somewhere, waiting, lurking. The tar has dried by this time, and it's been some months since Bruce stopped leaving a trail of feathers wherever he went, but somewhere he is out there, a vast and malign force, ready to pounce on the unwary.

What can I recall about Bruce? There are so many things. I remember during the Linsey-Berch feud--no, it was the Linsey-Glass feud--Bruce said to me,...no, wait a minute, it wasn't the Linsey-Glass feud at all, it was the Linsey Kador feud. Bruce had such a way with words. I remember he called John a "pusilanimous pussyfooter" and, as Bruce himself might say, this was a deeply profound experience for us all, media-wise.

I remember the day Bruce's zippy, Voice of Doom, folded. And what a fold! So spectacular! It was right after Bruce thought up the houserule requiring time-travellers to put "B.C." or "A.D." on their orders. Well, we all know what happened. It was in all the papers. The addition of that last page to the VOD houserules created a black hole, and the entire city of Albany was sucked in and destroyed. Speaking of being sucked in, I could say a few things about Swedish Roundabout, but I won't. Suffice it to say that I still veto all draws. Win it, smart boy!

Before the fall VOD was really a fine zippy. I remember when Bruce started to have it printed on coated stock with color pictures--that was during the Linsey-Conner feud and Bruce would stop at nothing to top his enemy!--that sure was spectacular. It lasted for two months before he went back to fish wrapping paper.

Those were wonderful times, but they had to end. The beginning of the end, as I recall, was during the Linsey-Trouble feud, when Bruce for the first time let his opponent have the last bark. You could tell he was losing interest then. And then there was the infamous Linsey-Brown feud, when Bruce forgot which Ron Brown he was attacking. He figured it out after a few months and tried to start a Brown-Brown feud, but got confused. That was the start of the worst one of them all--the Linsey-Linsey feud. Such language! Of course all the charges were true in this case, but still, the hobby received a black eye that it hasn't recovered from even yet. It was the beginning of the end. And then Bruce made yet another mistake. I mean, only a fool would attack the highly respected editor of Diplomacy World, who was also President of the IDA, the NADF, and of course WIGADOO. Bruce had courage, you have to give him that, but Ted Sommer crushed him like an insect. Putting Voice of Doom on the Slightly Brackish List of stagnant zinnies was only the first step, and more would have been done if not for Albany. I really, truly believe that Bruce was deeply troubled and mentally disturbed when he made up that last houserule, just as he had been when he made up all the rest.

Somewhere out there even now, probably pulling the winds off flies (or, more likely, birds), Bruce Linsey lives on. Bruce, in your time you occasionally attained mediocrity (as we used to call it; you younger players now call it 'tro') and I salute you!

((I can't believe I forgot this article. so as to not cheap any of you, this article and the sub-sub-zine are included on a separate sheet, unto themselves.))

The picture on the left is out of a national circulation. It's a picture of Ma Olsen, the winner of the Brux shooting contest. Congratulating her is her son-Boob. Standing in the background to the left is Gary Coughlan, looking like the sad loser that he is, Kathy Byrne, next to Gary, and Bob Osuch with the mustache holding the daily double ticket



— Mos Eisley addendum —

A sub-sub-zine no less!

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We have a winner. There was only one person who guessed the pubber. Jack Fleming correctly identified me, see letter column below.

LETTER COLUMN	LETTER COLUMN	HOBBY NEWS	HOBBY NEWS	HOBBY NEWS	HOBBY NEWS	HOBBY NEWS
Mark,		An excellent fake of <u>Whitestonia</u> showed up today (good timing). It appears to have been done by Gary Coughlan.				
Woody sent me a copy of <u>Coat of Arms</u> and I'd like to thank you for the plug of <u>Paranoiacs' Monthly</u> .		/Plug: Gary's zine is <u>Europa Express</u> . It contains some of the best writing in the hobby and is available at 10 issues \$6.00. (Has no game openings though) Send to: Gary Coughlan, 4614 Martha Cole Lane, Memphis, TN 38118/				
. <u>The Maker of Universes</u> is, er..., unique and I hope we'll see more. Small zines must stick together!	Best,					

Jack		PLAYLIST	PLAYLIST	PLAYLIST	PLAYLIST	PLAYLIST	PLAYLIST
((Thanks Jack, here is more. The similarity to PM was unintentional, and as you can see, it won't happen again. Actually, it will stop when I get the printer for my computer. Then maybe everyone will be able to read this easier too. I hope to have an MX-80 by the end of the month. Keep up the good work on PM.))		<u>In the Heat of the Night</u> , <u>Crimes of Passion</u> , and <u>Precious Time</u> by Pat Benatar. (Yes, I'm a horribly slow typist - and this is a terrible typewriter.)					

		FEATURE ARTICLE	FEATURE ARTICLE	FEATURE ARTICLE	FEATURE
		Sorry, no "How to Play Switzerland" yet. I found that I don't know how to play it. So, readers, here's your chance. Send your articles on how to play Switz., and if I use it, You'll get a whole FREE copy of my sub-sub-zine. Now on to something important. TGOC is looking for a home. Since I'm getting a printer, I'm ready to try putting out a regular sub-zine. Pubbers take note! A note on names; my sub-zines won't have the same name twice. You can refer to all of them as <u>VNS</u> though.			

John Here - My apologies for the poor copier quality this time. Next time will be different.