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This is KK/1, a MAGAZINE, dedicated to having a good time in Dipdom, and if you disapprove of the material in here, DON'T SUB, its as simple as that. Its put out by John Caruso and Kathy Byrne 160-02 43 Ave Flushing, NY. 11358 212 353-9695.

As of the typing of this, I do not know what is really going to be in here. JR, Barroom Babble KK in all its excellence, some pictures, M-7, a few letters, and an apology- see below. All I can tell you people is that if your skin is too thin, or you don't see the humor in what we print don't stay here. I will CHEERFULLY return your money. We don't want Deadwood, nor do we want Whining Willies.

Last month, I printed something in the Dipdom pages that was done Tongue-in-cheek, which was overlooked by almost everyone, except the person whose name was mentioned- Rod Walker. Why he insisted upon believing it was serious, is beyond me. But, I am truly sorry Rod for hurting your feelings and for any inconvenience the thing about Gordon Anderson may have caused you. Inside will be an accurate(or more accurate) account of what's what. I wasn't totally accurate the 1st time because it wasn't meant to be serious. It was a t-i-c look at the topic. Again Rod, I'm sorry for hurting your feelings and for any inconvenience this may cause you.

Well, since there's no sign off page, I'll sign off here. I hope you enjoy this issue, short as the W end may be, the KK end will do more than make up for it, like it does every issue anyway. Besides, you all throw W away and only save the KK anyway. Take care.....

This is M-7, the gaming subzine to W/KR, and its put out by yours truly, 160-02 43Ave Flushing, NY. 11358 212 353-9695/

1982CZ Final Solution Spring 1909 The war continues: ((Due March 24, 1AB))

ENGLAND Michalski: A Lon-Bel; (F Eng C); F Wal-un; A Hol-Kie; (F Hel S);  
F Nwy-Ska; F Nwg-Nwy;  
FRANCE Larzelere: A Bur-Mun; F Naf-Tun; F Wes-Tyr; F Mid-Spa(SC);  
F Bre-Mid; A Pie in the face; (A Mar S);  
RUSSIA Leritte: A War-Ukr; (A Mos S); A Ber-Sil; (A Mun S); A Swe-Nwy;  
F Edi-Nth; (F Den S);  
TURKEY Swartz: F Smy-Eas; F Con-Aeg; A Ank-Rum; (F Bla S); F Adr-Apu;  
A Tyo S A Ven; (A Ven S); A Rum-Ukr; (A Sev S); F Nap-Rom; F Ion-Tyr  
A Bud-Gal; (A Vie S);

PRESS: Rus-F&E: Hey guys, lets band together. Turkey is going for the wi  
Rus-Fra: If Eng doesn't want to help we can still fight both E&T.

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1982IZ Last Game Spring 1906

AUSTRIA Grabar: F Alb-Gre; F Aeg-Con; A Gal-Rum; (A Ser and A Bud S);  
ENGLAND Cunning: F Den-Swe; (A Fin S); F Nwg-Nth; F Nth-Den; (F Hel S);  
A Lon-H; A Kie S Fre A Bur-Mun NSO; (F Hol S);  
FRANCE Trutt: F Bre-Mid; F Spa(SC)-Wes; F Nap-Rom; F Ion-Tun; A Mar-pie;  
A Bur-Ruh; (A Bel S); A Par-Bur;  
GERMANY Kador: A Ruh-Hol dis ret Mun.OTB;  
ITALY Conlon: F Wes-Lid; F Tus-Lyo;  
RUSSIA Courtemanche: A Stp S Eng F Nwy OTM; (A Mos S); A Sev-Rum;  
A War-Gal; A Ukr S A War-Rum NSO-IMP; A Ber S Fre A Bur-Mun NSO;  
A Smy-Con; A Bul-Con; F Bal-Bot;

PRESS: F Con: Should build more seaworthy vessels. Doesn't the army like  
the navy anymore. ((I suppose not.))

Bud-Mos: Well, well, well, it looks as tho you might die! CHARGE!

Rom-Vie: Better hurry!

Rom: Its almost over. ((Note it should read former-Rome))

Rom-Pops: Does Baglady know the letter was a joke?

Pops-Pope: What letter?

Red Brigade: Death to the Fascist PDO. ((Thems fightin' words, y'all))

Rus-Game: Where did all the press writers go, I'm lonely. I Feel like  
Gerany with 8 armies and just 1 fleet. Or should I say a successful.

GM-Rus: Might not you be too optimistic? Or speakin too soon?

Rus-Eng: Did you NMR? Well, it didn't hurt you in the least.

Rus-Fra: Lets not get too greedy. A draw would be nice. ((OK, Draw!))

Rus-Ita: Hup-2, hup-2. Glad to see that you are serving your country.

GM: And I was expecting another- hold on, I'm coming to help you.

Rus-Aus: Sorry that you feel that way. ((Who Dave? He's alot of things,  
but serious about his gaming isn't one of them. It took him 14years to  
win his 1st dip game. He's never won NH, maybe because he's the most  
experienced in the game. He invented it.))

Rus-Ger: I salute your bravery/ ((Hit the wrong key again, and too lazy  
to use whiteout.)) GK-Ger: I salute you for not CDing this position,  
despite the fact your sub expired months ago. Contrary to Mr Berch's  
printed statement about MY POLICIES, John, you are proof I don't throw  
anyone out, you rec'd the results every turn. Now if you all would just  
vote a concession to me.....))

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### DIPDOM PAGE

LepreCon: March 16-18 at the residence of Joan Extrom and Ken Corbin Rt1 Box 267 Philomath, Or. 97370. There will be lots of fun and games, but sorry to say, No surprise Flushing visitor. The airfare is just too much, and the inconvenience on my hosts would be too much to ask.

PDO Relief Auction #II: You have until March 17 or so to get your item listed in the relief catalog. Send a SASE to Mike Hills 26 Laurel Rd Sloatsburgh, NY. 10974 for an information sheet, or send a SASE to me, or take it out of W#83 as it was an insert in that issue.

Also of importance, FRESHMAN POLL: Scott Hanson 233 Oak Grove Apt 306 Kpls, Mn. 55403. You have another week or 2 to get your votes in. Voting is done on a scale of 0-10, 0=pits, 10=Father Knows Less. Scott says you should only vote for newly arrived 1983 zines, but I have it on good word that if he gets enough ballots on subzines, he will include them. How can he just "throw to the wind", the peoples freedom of choice (to vote FKL the #1 subzine).

CENSUS: Its out, so hurry while they last. Contact Dick Martin 26 Orchard Way N Rockville, Md. 20854. The cost is \$1 if you submitted an address list, and \$2(I believe) if you didn't. No wait, thats \$1 reduced digest and \$2 full sized type. Thank you to the PDO for another worthwhile service, and to all those who helped in its production, Dick and Julie Martin, Fred Davis and Mark Larzelere.

Speaking of Fred Davis, the below comes courtesy of him, thru his very informative zine, Bushwacker, where he runs Variant Diplomacy Games.

#### INTERNATIONAL HALL OF FAME ELECTION RESULTS

The following people were nominated for consideration in the 1983 Diplomacy Hall of Fame election (in alphabetical order): Peter Birks (U.K.), John Boardman (N.Y.), Allan B. Calhamer (Ill.), Fred Davis (Md.), Walter Luc Haas (Switz.), John Leeder (Alberta, Canada), John Marsden (U.K.), John Moot (Mass.), Bob Sergeant (Ind.), Richard Sharp (U.K.), Randolph Smyth (Alberta), Don Turnbull (U.K.) and Rod Walker (Calif.). An 11-person Election Committee voted on these nominees, with a requirement that a nominee must be listed on at least 75% of the ballots to be elected. (The same as for the Baseball Hall of Fame). Four persons were elected. These were:

John Boardman, Founding Father of the Postal Hobby; Allan Calhamer, inventor of the game, Diplomacy; Rod Walker, who has done just about everything in the hobby; and, oh yes, Fred Davis. My selection must have been a longevity award. I've outlived all of my enemies!

This is the first year that one didn't have to be dead or out of the hobby to be eligible for election. Up to seven people can be elected once every two years. My only disappointment is that no Overseas members were selected in 1983. I hope that by 1985, there can be a couple of Overseas people on the Election Committee, so that that oversight can be rectified. Perhaps, now that so many Americans have been honored, there will be room on the rolls next time for at least some of the five Overseas people who were nominated in '83. I'm familiar with the good works of twelve of this year's nominees, and they are all deserving of Hall of Fame recognition.

Anyway, as of today, there are eleven members of the International HOF, and ten of them are Americans. Let's hope that by 1985, the Hall will be living up to its name.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: Robert Sacks—"Tom Mainardi has one chance, to apologize immediately."

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: Tom Mainardi—"Why should I? I Believe in truth, justice and the American way."

Below is another item ~~Apple~~ reprinted from Bushwacker, courtesy of Fred Davis. By the way, if you want to see Fred's zine for yourself, send a SASE to 1427 Clairidge Rd Balt, Md. 21207 Fred is a sponsor of the 1984 Winter Olympics. Didn't you just get tired of all the advertisements cashing in on that? I know I did! Anyway, on to (get off him Woody) Fred.

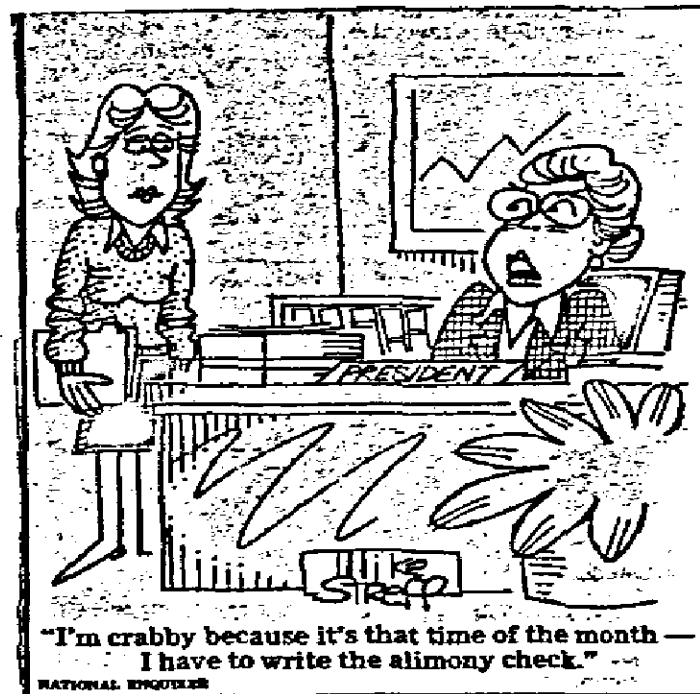
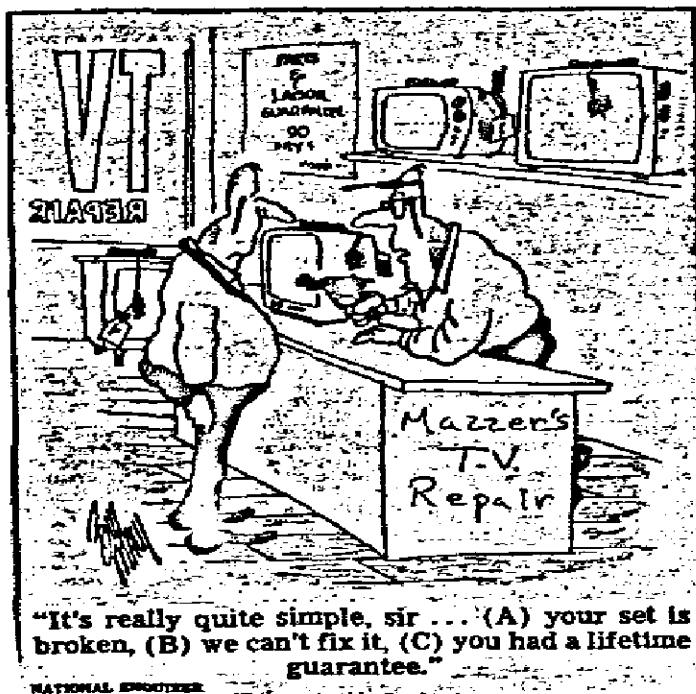
DIPLOMACY WORLD TO BE PRINTED IN ENGLAND. We understand that beginning with Issue #37, DIPLOMACY WORLD will be printed separately in the United Kingdom for the benefit of British and Continental readers. This should markedly reduce the price of D.W. for Overseas readers, and make D.W. the true "flagship" of the hobby. I believe that the U.K. edition may add some information strictly of interest to British readers, like U.K. Game Openings, for example. I hope British and Continental publishers will reprint this information. As I understand it, the party to contact is: Andrew Poole, 27 Holmfield Ave., E., Braunstone, Leicester LE3 3FD, ENGLAND. I have no information on how many quid, bob and ha'p'niees this will cost in the Queen's money.

For those of you living in North America, the proper party to contact for a D.W. sub is: Rodney C. Walker, 1273 Crest Dr., Encinitas, Calif. 92024. Subs are \$8 per year in U.S. and \$10.00 per year in Canada (4 issues). Don't leave home without it!

## COA finally declares bankruptcy

Well, we all knew it was going to happen sooner or later. It stems from his altercations with Robert Sacks, no doubt. That should serve as a warning to all the other game board organizations and members, Fantasy Roll Playing Can be hazardous to your health, and life shortening to your publications. Only the PDO will survive, because it is the only true, fair group.

Below are some cartoons, submitted by a subber from one of his magazines. enjoy, it saves me typing.



JR

Dear JR: Why is it that this Shep Rose guy has the same letter (except for zine name and pubber name changes) in WHITESTONIA and THE VOICE OF DOOM as well as submitting it to LIFE OF MONTY? (I spotted it as a fake when I first saw it, because it mentioned my "reputation...for being a fair and well-run game".) And why is the return address in Wisconsin when it was postmarked from northern California? signed  
The WCC Is Coming To MaryCon

Dear Del Don: Beats me. I'll believe the WCC when I see it.

Dear JR: I just can't believe you attacked me. I haven't gotten over the shock. I'm quitting the game. I'll just roll over and play dead. How could you have lied to me? Dave

Dear GG: I didn't lie to you, I just didn't tell you what I was doing. After last JR where you threatened to attack me for calling you up at 6:30AM, what could I do? I had to defend myself. All I want is peace.

Dear JR: Having Archangels does tell me something of the way you people in Flushing play. Your units do a lot of boogying in the jungle and you fight a lot. Seems to come naturally for you. Roll any rich drunks lately? Cochise

Dear RedMan: Have you ever thought of doing a Michael Jackson? You know set your head on fire so you can see where you're going!

Dear JR: No hand of Woody? No foot of Gnome? What about a wing of bat or eye of newt? I hear Knight and Cochise are available. Cutie

Dear Precious: Of course they are available, but they have been trying to pick each other up for months. Now if youall are looking for a REAL MAN, I think I can come up with someone, somewhere for you.

Dear JR: Considering I owe my share of the family fortune (\$482) and my 1stborn child (if its a girl) to the local loan shark (ie my sister), I'll be lucky if I get to visit the local debtors prison for a while. PS Donations accepted. Cutie-Pie

Dear Maggie: You owe \$4.82 (note typo above) to the local loan shark? There you go again Woody. Speaking of Woody, I have an article cut out of a local newspaper and submitted here for print, from my Little ... I mean my Calamity... thats sounds worse- you're still my Little Piggy

### By PAUL PINTARICH

of The Oregonian staff

Here's the myth: slick, smooth and single male, in his 20s or early 30s.

The streets are his playground. With a minimum of credentials (and perhaps a new Porsche), he swoops down the fast lane and hauls in women like a purse seiner when the tuna are running.

Is he happy?

Broach this question on a tension-tant night in the family room, and the response from Daddy might be, "You gotta be kidding!"

Aaron Hass says the answer is "No." Take another look at the wife and kiddies, the television with the aluminium-foil antenna, the hamsters, the goldfish, the laundry. Think about things for a while.

Hass has a message for the practicing single man: Loose and abundant sex does not balance the hours of loneliness. Hamsters are better than half-lived lives spent wandering singles bars, looking for love in all the wrong places.

Hass, 35, is author of "Love, Sex, & the Single Man (Watts, \$15.95)," a book that is not a poorly disguised manual for those whose interest is prurience.

A psychologist, he has a private practice in Los Angeles and is on the psychology faculty at California State University, as well as on the clinical faculty of the department of psychiatry of the UCLA School of Medicine, where he is supervisor of the Human Sexuality Clinic.

Most important, perhaps, is that Hass is a single man. And his book, though supposedly about sex, discusses intimacy, vulnerability, sensitivity and sharing.

Throughout, it strums a familiar refrain: Men give love to get sex, and women give sex to get love. In this context, the book is as valuable for women as it is for men, since they share many of the same frustrations within a popularized hedonistic lifestyle.

"People are caught up in a 'fun ethic,'" Hass maintains. "If a relationship isn't fun, then they move on. They're reluctant to work on relationships, and everyone seems to be looking for an easy relationship these days."

((The letter below is from Rod Walker))

((Reprinted  
from the  
latest DW  
as requested  
by Rod Walker))

I'd like, if I may, to set the record straight on the Gordon Anderson matter. Your statements in the last WHITESTONIA are a little wide of the mark. Let me consider each statement separately.

1. I did not claim that Gordon "absconded with some FTF tournament money". To the extent that I had a beef with Gordy, it had to do with his attempts to force DipCon to remain in Chicago and to "copyright" the term "DipCon". It is not true that he absconded with money in that sense. He did fail to make good on Diplomacy tournament prize money, which may be as just as unadmirable, but is a different thing.

2. Inasmuch as I dropped from the hobby (temporarily) before Gowdy did, it would have been a little hard for me to "DRIVE" him from the hobby. To the extent that there was a lot of criticism of him, I was a member of the posse. But his reasons for leaving the hobby may have been unconnected with it; when last I heard, Gordy was squaring off for a last-ditch fight. I also object to the implication that people can be "driven" from the hobby, either by an individual or by a group (as a normal rule, this hobby is too anarchic for that).

3. I have not ever heard "the whole story Gordy had to offer". I have heard no story at all. I have not even had a note from Gordy, beyond a subscription check for DIPLOMACY WORLD.

4. I have not "reconsidered". What a strange notion! If I had, wouldn't I have said so somewhere? There is nothing to reconsider. Facts are facts, and Gordy did what he did. But people change. The fact that he did certain things in the past is no necessary proof he will do them in the future.

5. I do not "welcome Gordon back with open arms". Again, such a strange notion! Why should I do that? Where did I say that? Perhaps you should print the statement I did make, instead of all these datements I didn't make...and you are certainly welcome to print that little paragraph from DIPLOMACY WORLD if you wish. I have forgiven Gordy, yes, if that is what you mean. As a Christian, I could hardly do otherwise. Forgiveness is no big deal, and it is something this hobby is singularly short of. But forgiveness is not self-delusion. I would not at all be supportive of Gordy if, for instance, he suggested he host a DipCon in Chicago. One cannot forever hate the fatal match, but once burned, twice shy, even so.

there were some bad feelings at the time of Anderson's fold; however, expressions of hostility aren't appropriate at this point, and please bear in mind that the real world does not always allow us to make neat and tidy tie-ups in a hobby.

C OLD HOME WEEK. Many names from earlier in the hobby have popped up recently. I've had fairly recent inquiries from John Mirassou, Peter Bergren, and Brian Bailey, to name a few. Also back in the hobby is Gordon Anderson of Viking Press. Gordon dropped out of the hobby, apparently under press of some severe personal problems, leaving quite a few unfilled obligations. I'm not aware of what arrangements, if any, he has now made to take care of those. Anyone to whom Gordon owes something may wish

This is page 1 of KK - the zine known for it's sophistication!!!!!!

This month KK is dedicated to Don Del Grande!!! No, I'm not kidding! The reason being is that anyone who will give me a third chance at being their ally, after being stabbed twice before - must have a good sense of humor!!! Either that or he is insane, so Don since you are insane - I'm sure that you can appreciate KK more than most! So, here's to you Don, and I really hope that we meet again in another game!!!! It's not easy finding ~~xxxxxx~~ allies like you!!!!

This month we have a little bit of everything - questions, letters and even complaints!!!! Some people never learn!!!! First let's get those brilliant questions of yours out of the way!!!! I figure everyone needs a laugh .....so take it away Grabar!!!!

KK: I need the BNC address. What is it?.....Mr. Grabar  
Dear "Brains, never was your strong point", Do I look like the hobby information directory? I suggest you contact Dick Martin if you need an address, after all he did the census. By the way, what's a BNC?..me

KK: Let me ask you something. Are you a female impersonator? I figure you must be in order to do as well as you do in the games. Dave Dear Gruesome, No, actually I'm a member of the superior sex, that is read FEMALE. You must know us - we are the over endowed ones, we not only got the bodies, but the brains too! .....Kissey, Kissey

KK: I'm holding a con at my house. Do you have any advice?.....  
I believe in Leprecons  
Dear Mr. Daly, Sir!, Yes, I do. I'd suggest you find someone elses' house to hold the con at - that way you don't have to clean up the mess!!!! Write Dave Grabar, he's dumb enough to let you use his house!!!!.....me

KK: Thank you for giving John permission to come out here, but do you have to send Woody along as a chaperone?....John's Oregon Figgy  
Dear Calamity, No need to thank me for giving John my blessing, I really did it to get rid of him, as Olsen is coming here! As for Woody, forget it - it seems the U.S. immigration service has declared him a disaster area, and stated that he must remain on the East Coast - it seems there is a new rule - no U.S. Citizen is allowed to inflict Woody on any other U. S. Citizen! Also the supreme court has ruled that anyone attempting to smuggle Woody across state lines will be exiled to Alexandria, Va. Even I wouldn't risk that.....your friend

Dear KK: Why did the chicken cross the road?....Old Joke Dept.  
Dear James, To get away from Woody!!!!.....new ans. dept.

Dear KK(Kasey Kasem): How many top Ten songs have had the names of provinces on a Dip board in their titles?.....on the radio  
Dear "What a strange place to squat": I bet you don't think that I know the answer! Ha, ha, on you - I sure do! Some of my all time favorites were: Shuffle off to Budapest, Meet me in St. Tro, and Moonlight over Ankara! Actually probably as many as one!.....KK

Dear KK: If I'm executing a Precautionary Emergency Landing and I'm coming in too high, should I raise my nose or cut back on the power?  
.....flyin' high in CC

Dear Super man: I'd say cut back on the coke, and your nose should fall back in place!.....co-toady

Quote of the month: 'John" I don't mind 'Kathy' being on the phone for hours, it keeps her out of the stores!!!!

Page 2 of KK, the zine that dares to be funnier than DD!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Dear Co-Toady: I've tried to spread the word about the diplomatic skill of our Toadmaster, Olsen. But nobody seems to listen, Why?..James  
Dear Co-Toady, Remember when Noah built the ark, and everyone laughed at him, well, honey is in a similar situation. Only the brilliant among the Simple Minded Antelopes, can truly appreciate talent - that's why you, me and Honey will have the last laugh, as the rest of them waste their time toady to the likes of Woody and Grabar!..ME

KK: Who says Coca-Cola doesn't prevent pregnancy? I have a bottle every time I have sex, and I haven't gotten pregnant yet. Horny but happy  
Dear Scott: Well, that explains it! You see while you are having a bottle everytime you have sex, all the rest of the male population is having a woman! You really ought to try it sometime! Women are so much warmer and gentler than bottles!!!!!!.....poor Frauke

Dear KK: The best of the litter? (Seems my luck's running true to form.)  
OK for Steve. I just hope he's more than once-A-Knight. I never did like one-Knight-Stands. It might be a good-Knight, but will it truly be a great-Knight?.....Dixie Belle  
Dear Cutie: I can't promise you that, but he does come with a money back guarantee. If he isn't great, you can return him, and we'll send you Woody for a night.....after that anything will look great....even Steve Knight!!!!!!.....matchmaker

Dear KK: Looks like Wrobel's kidding you. I mean Zimbalist and Berch ain't exactly the A-Team, you know. Ms. Tea

Dear Observant one: No, but they do have a lot in common - I mean they both are short and boring, well, one out of two ain't bad!..me

Our next writer has a terrible problem on Feb. 13th, he turned 40!  
As you will see by his questions - senility has set in....well,  
Happy Birthday anyway my friend, take it away Mr. Louseyman!!!!

Hey you, On my last W, Caruso writes on the outside "See you at WoodyCon" and you write "Not if I see you first." What do you mean? Surely, you don't intend to harm me. What did I ever do to you (besides buttter you up?).....Birthday Boy

Dear Mr. Senile: I will never forget all that you have done for me - You have always been a great supporter of the thorn among the flowers! You have always been my mouthpiece! You've always gotten me in a lot of trouble haven't you!!!!!!.....Kisses & Hugs

Dear KK: I have a theory about Frauke and her "chopped cocks". You know how they say that people who are violently anti-gay are that way because they latently have gay tendencies themselves? Maybe Frauke is violently anti-penis because she has a latent case of penis envy. What do you think of this theory?.....Silesialy yours, Lousyman  
Dear Lousey, It really isn't Frauke's fault - after all - she found the only male in America who would rather make love to a Coke bottle than a women. It sure ain't easy dating a Munchkin....so, we should give her a break, because if she ever meets a real man...she might become pro-cock! Not to be confused with a peacock or Woody!!!!...XXXX

KK: Sally is our first goat. She's come into heat twice since Sept. How often will she keep doing this, and when will she stop? We won't be ready to breed her until next summer.....HOLD & SUPPORT  
Dear Mr. Wrobel, If she is like me, she'll come into heat quite often. It could be worse, if she is like Woody - she'll spend her life in heat!!!! Next time buy a neutered cat!!!!!!.....KK



Page 3 of the zine that says you to can send in a dumb question

KK: We have heard from very reliable and unimpeachable sources (ie. it has been rumored) that one Ms. Francine Byrne has been giving you some problems. Weren't you aware that it is considered cruel and inhuman to stick her in Phyllis's room so that she could "shape up or drop out"?.....What is Frannie's shirt Size

Dear Nocy, Francine is a little kid! Therefore, I'd suggest you start worrying about someone else's shirt size - you pervert! As for being exposed to Phyllis - remember - everyone must eventually learn the facts of life - even a kid like Frannie - I mean life can't always be "Dip and Del Grande".....a mom who believes in reality

KK: As you know the purpose of the KGB is to harrass and annoy Wimp Caruos. However, he's too boring for us to bother with so we've been harassing Sacks instead. Now Sacks informs me that we are not allowed to harrass him, and that anybody who's anybody, such as Sachs and Paltry, spend all their time harassing the BNC instead. Is it cool to harrass the BNC? And after I finish with the BNC can I then graduate to harassing the NYGB?....."Yuri"

Dear Mr. Yuri, Sure it's cool to harrass the BNC, because if you do, you just might wind up in a deep freeze somewhere! Before you can harrass the NYGB, you will have to sign the covenant - otherwise the harrassment is not legal.....Kissey, Kissey

Who is the best looking, Marcie, John Daly's Cow or Elsie? just curious  
Dear Honey, How could you even ask that - of course John Daly's Cow - Kathy the Kow is the prettiest after all she does take after me!!! However, Marcie is the brightest, and Elsie makes great moonshine, so any of these cows are the best! Only the best cows get to be in KK!  
.....Love and Kisses

Dear KK: Who does this garbage creep Gabby Grabar think he is? He can't insult the one and only, world famous, hold on 18, Black Jack Whiz MARCIE! He must have a similar disposition that MAXX has: mean and outright STUPID!!! If he fails to hold his mouth in check can I send him MAX?.....Marcie's Keeper

Dear Partner: It won't do any good - Grabar has always been like this - he never did know when to keep his mouth shut! I suggest that when you send him MAX, you also send him, the other thing that is always bothering Marcie - Woody! That way we can get rid of them both!....me

Dear KK: In reference to last months question on wether your youngest daughter has any rights or not, I'm not sure the correct issue was discussed. I mean who cares who has rights or not. Francine should feel honored to be allowed to be in the presence of these people, and since we can't leave Woody out - things too. These people and Woody are nationwide writers, celebrities, and yes, even aspiring stand up comics! She should be thankful that she isn't put out on the street for the weekend. My question is what do her friends offer that we don't, and is she ignorant or just naive? or both?....Honorable Grouch  
Dear Groucho, She is a little of both, but it is my fault, I tend to let her spend too much time with Uncle Woody! What her friends have to offer is no dishes - she absolutely hates to do the dishes, so when we have company she really wants to disappear! That way she won't get dishpan hands!.....Marcie's Friend

On the top of the next page, a very nice cartoon that Marcie, sent in about her friend(?) Woody!!!



Dear KK: What do you think of GM's who hold your sub money and refuse to send you the zine, even though the zine is running regularly (even though Scott Hanson claims it runs late.)...Woody  
Dear Woodhead, You mean people actually pay to read COA, if so I don't blame you for stealing their money. I mean anyone that stupid deserves to be ripped off!.....your friend

Dear KK: Is it true that Irksome is a shortened version of EE?...Anonymous  
Dear No Name, Absolutely not, he doesn't even have a train on the cover, he doesn't have maps, and the poor boy couldn't put a sentence together even if Frauke helped him!!!.....But, I see that everyone read his reviews, since I'm brighter than Scott, I think that I'll skip zine reviews!!! Kissy, Kissy

(And Scottie, what have you done!!!!!!)

Dear KK: What do you think of Irksome and would you like to play a game there? If so name the game?.....Uncy Wrobel  
Dear Woody, (I'd know your chicken scratch anywhere), I really don't want to play in anyzine that you want to play in! You cross game! But, if I had to play a game in Irksome, I'd try for something simple, so that Scott could handle it - maybe tidily winks!.....KK

Dear KK: Is the reason Sacks does not want to be called Bobby because his initials would be B.S.?....the hobby fairy, Mr. WoodWrobel  
Dear What is your name, Love those initials, and now I'm sure that Robert should change his name to Bobby! Those initials fit him as well as M.B. (Mucho Bull) fits a certain other person!.....KK

Dear KK, After "PigCon" don't you agree Linsey puts a damper on all the fun?! Can't you keep him out of Long Island?.....Woody  
Dear Woody, How am I going to keep him out of Long Island, if I can't even keep you out of N.Y.? I must admit it was great not having to discuss H.R.'s for an entire weekend! However you should have let Bruce come to your sister's that way you could have given him the Bubonic Plague rather than me!!!!.....some friend you are!

In the Dec. KK, you published the Boardman Number Custodian's snow plan and listed the zines which gamesters should read to find out about game delays. How are non-sighted gamesters notified about delays during adverse weather?.....little Stevie Arnawrobel  
Dear Confused, In case of a weather emergency, ture into DD, read a cou ple of pages, fall asleep, and when you awake it'll be spring. Your games will all be late, but as Hanson says, you're always late anyway!!!!.....BNC emergency station

Page 5 and the end of our questions, complaints next - Murray!!!! KK

KK: A recent editorial in Anduin pointed out the dangerous levels of radioactivity in cigarettes. Does your chest glow in the dark? If so, does this affect your sex life positively or negatively?

....Karen Silkrobel

Dear Man of Many names, I am positively charged, and only John knows if my chest glows in the dark! But, you must remember with a body like mine, I need all the extra features that I can get!!!.....Love

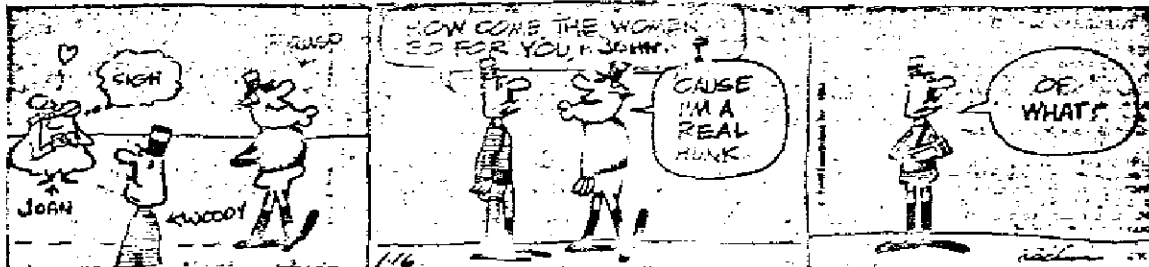
KK: I have moved to a post office box slightly larger than your apartment in Flushing. It's ver comfortable, but I don't have room for all the letters I get about the (latest) Linsey Affair. What do you do with all the correspondence you receive?....PoliEd

Dear Polly, I keep the Sanitation Department in business! Trying to save letters on any Linsey affair - would require the use of a skyscraper in N.Y.C., and then it would be stuffed! I'd suggest you start collecting something a little easier to store! Like the encyclopedia Britannia or weird envelopes used by Toots!.....me

Dear Bloodsucker: Your prowess at Diplomacy is legendary. Perhaps you can help ease a poor soul's mind. I recently mentioned to a player in my Dip game that I try to win. He reacted like I was a moral degenerate with poor table manners. Is it wrong to try to win? Should I immediately go to church and confess my sins? Should I change my ways? What should I do oh great toadmistress?...Poor Soul Dear Poor Soul, I am shocked and appalled! You play to win! Well, I never! In all my years of playing Diplomacy, I just about always played trying to lose the game! It never even occurred to me, that some people actually try to win!!!.....2nd to your WIN!!!!

Okay, here I am, and I would like to answer the question above on a serious note, as I know this player, and I have played with him, and he did a fine job of winning the game we were in together. Some games I play to win, some I just play to the draw, it depends on how I feel about the game, and how good an ally has been to me! Ddon't let anyone tell you that they play to lose! Because they are full of it - even Woody plays to win! Your only mistake was admitting to that player that you like to play to win! That's a big no, no! For some reason, people in this hobby are scared to death of someone who might just go for the win! I always give a guy credit if he goes for the win and makes it! A recent game I was in (R12), all we heard was 2 way draw, yet it was a solid Italian Win....if Stephen Lee had not taken the win, I would've been very disappointed in him. He deserved the win! In our game, you deserved the win, and you would've been a fool to settle for anything less. As you can see, I'm not one of those players who begrudge someone a win! Everyone has something that they hate in Dip players, myself I don't see anything wrong with a guy going for the win - my quirk is that I hate Stupid players! In my opinion, you should continue to go for the Gusto!

I wonder how many of you know the correct verb for Double Ordered!  
If you want to hold and support, then you should become aware of:  
Schlep: To move while supporting!  
I bet Linsey could have a field day with that one!!!



Page 6 and next up the fools who dared to complain to KK!!!!!!!

Dear KK: Why are you ordering me to submit something to KK? I'm not ordering you to write to FNORD.....Mike Ehli  
((KK: What the hell is a FNORD? Maybe you should try ordering people to write for it - that way I might know what it is! Around here, you have to pull your own weight! KK is written by the subbers - not me! I wouldn't waste my time doing anything this foolish unless I had plenty of help.))

Next up a Texan Longhorn - Greg Ellis, no relation to Woody!  
Dear Kathy, I just got my very first issue of W/KK and the first thing I see is a threat on the cover! OK, so here's your question: Since recent supreme court rulings hold that publications for public consumption must contain some socially redeeming value according to local standards, how do you get away with sending your zine all over the country?

((KK: Easy, we bribe the postal authorities! You should have been able to figure that out!))

Now that that's over with - no more threats! I subbed on the condition that John didn't mind having a Deadwood subber.

((KK: I can not believe that John said he wanted a Deadwood subber! He wouldn't have said that on his best day! We don't like any subbers, so we figure that if we have to put this out - the jerk subbing is required to do something. Those who can't even write a question, have a real problem around here! By the way, I can threaten anyone I want as Woody said so, so be nice or I'll sic Woody on you!!!))

All I am really interested in writing (and that means the only thing I write that is worth reading) is about politics. The only political comments I saw were in support of Jesse Jackson. Boy, am I in the wrong zine.

((KK: You can say that again, I can't imagine anyone subbing here to read politics! We are into the love life of cows, hamster breeding and lots of other serious stuff. I'm afraid this zine will be way over your head!))

By the way, the only reason Jackson was successful was because Syria doesn't like Reagan (and for good reason) and enjoyed embarrassing him. It was a good political move on Syria's part. Had the Iranians been half as smart, Carter might still be President.

((KK: Lucky for us they were dumb, I couldn't imagine anyone being stuck with Carter!))

Melinda Ann please note that this next complaint is directed at you, so take it away Tom Hurst:

Dear KK: You can tell "Dixie Belle" that if she ever tries getting to know me instead of convicting me of all sorts of perversions before she hears a word, she might find that I'm not all that bad a guy. (of course, she may find out otherwise, but she doesn't KNOW yet!) She just tosses out transparent lies and calls that Diplomacy! I've never seen someone who goes in for more cliché and feminist dogma, when, if she got to know me, she'd find that I'm even more of a feminist than she is! Well, it will be a frigid day in hades before I date her. It isn't only the woman who has a choice in these things, and if she thinks that going out with me means "desperation" on her part, she deserves the vacuous slob she gets!

((KK: I'm sure Melinda will have a response to this next month!))

One more complaint to go!!!! Aren't these fun!? Well, it is better than reading zine reviews which can get you in a lot of trouble!!!

Page 7 of KK, the zine that says who cares if you complain - not me!!

Dear Ms. Byrne:

I refuse to be bullied into writing you when I have no intention to do so. Just because you are the hobby mouth(piece) doesn't mean you can make me do something I don't want to do. If you think that snide remarks on the cover of my copy of Whitey - and yes, I do know how to write! - will induce me to write you, then you had better think again. I absolutely refuse to write so much as one word on a postcard to you in regard to this matter. You cannot make me write when I have no intention of writing. And I have no intention of writing. Any further attempts on your part to elicit from me letters which I refuse to write will be met with a silence as strong as this.

Laconically, Fat Conlon

cc: Captain America  
Flash Gordon  
Joshua Berch

Dear Mr. Conlon,

I just love a man who would be so strong and silent! Never let it be said that anyone pushes you around! Thank you for not writing, it is always a pleasure not hearing from you! I hope you don't mind, but I will not be able to send a cc of this to Flash Gordon, as I lost his address! Instead I'll send my third copy to Donald Duck as Mickey never lets him have any fun.....Ms. Byrne

Next up the serious letters - wanna bet!!!! 1st up Marc Peters!

Dear Kathy, Just got the latest W/KK today - pretty good stuff. I have only one complaint, but that is directed at the Bambino in a separate letter, so you needn't worry about that. How could I have any problems with you, you sweetheart you?!

((KK: For those of you new to KK, Marc and I have the mutual admiration society!!!!))

Wow, a whole page to myself! I'm very flattered and very surprised! - most KK stuff is pretty short. I never expected you to run virtually the whole letter, but I want to thank you for doing so. I felt it was very important to get "the true story" out, so that folks would understand just why Knight must be "Cupcake" -- the nickname was, after all, self-inflicted, so to speak. And it does fit. During Dip Con at Detroit, at one point Steve and Carl Russell were in a game together, and it looked as though the two of them might ally. At which point James Wall (who ought to be appointed Hobby Nickname-for-just-about-anything Custodian) yells out "Oh, no! Cupcake & Creampuff! Omigod--it's the Confectionary Alliance!"

((KK: Yes, most letters in KK, are short! But if someone sends in a long letter totally relevant to KK, then I will print it in it's entirety. I have no problem with that at all! Your letter was great! As for this one, I think that you are going to look throughout all of KK to find the rest of it! One paragraph will be under Walker and one under Wrobel! And of course, I cut the personal stuff that we write about!-I mean after all you and I do have to keep some secrets between ourselves!))

And now an ECC members visit to a Rusnakcon! Brad Wilson:

Dear Kathy: Here's your \$10, Humph, Le's go Dolphins! Go Flyers! Rusnakcon last weekend was a blast. Frueh, Peters, Bakken, Rusnak, Rauterberg, Kaplan, Ozog, Lischett, etc. Quite a good time. Lots of Beer. Lots of Beer. Bakken drinks like no one I've ever seen, even me. They were friendly - once you understand what their idea of "friendly" is - and it was a lot of fun. At one point Bakko stabbed Russ, Russ and he engaged in a 5 minute free for all.

Eoy, those Mets know how to make good moves. Let's lose our best player and best safe attraction for nothing! And you wonder why they're always last!

Page 8 of KK, and my answer to Brad Wilson, a past ECCer!!!!

((KK: Nice to see that we are now sharing the Mets! What is this "our" best player? I was furious when the Mets let Seaver go! They have to be a herd of Simple minded Antelopes!!!! Oh, well, it could be worse - they could have traded Orosco too!))

Dear Kathy, Thanks for giving us Pete Rose. Now the Expos are all superstars, though I suspect they may have the same problems as before: they don't play as a team. I'll pick them for the world series anyhow. They're bound to win it eventually. So, that's my bet for this year's baseball pool....Ron Canada Brown Dear Ron, Now that is what I call, getting your team early! Okay the Expos are yours! As for Pete Rose, I only hope that you don't even try to use him in the Outfield - it's a disaster! Woody and I never laughed so hard watching him trying to run in to catch a short fly ball in Phillie!.....me

Next up Don Del Dumb:

Kathy: KK was late this month. Next time, why don't you send it on time and let Caruso take all of the blame for the delay? Do you know what KK withdrawal feels like - you just have to have that fix or you'll end up on some street mumbling VOD house rules over and over again. And speaking of Voice of Dim, how did the H.R.'s win a game? You had another Italy in winning position, and WHAM. ((KK: You know you really are cracked! How can KK be late when we are always in the mail within days of the deadline!!!! As for the H.R.'s winning the game - the GM cheated, just ask Steve Knight!)) I told you so! You heard it here first! There are some maniacs out there who will test your patience by questioning your BNC ability. Let's see if Mike Mills says anything, and then Palter can remove Kamakura from the West End line in retaliation. And speaking of Mills, you too can have the honor of owning the Complete LOM collection- all 42 issues worth; over three years of Things put into one giant vol., and it could be YOURS if the price is right (as BNC, you'd get most of your bid back anyway) And what may I ask gives Robert Sacks the right to investigate. Here's my Investigation: the only thing you ever did wrong was to end up having to follow Kendter and Ditter as BNC- let's face it, a 9.95 is a letdown after a 10 (especially a pr. of 10's ((K:Thanks but I'm no where near a 9.95! The best I can do is continue to plug along, and ignore insane accusations!))

And just when I thought it was safe to open my mailbox - out pops Toots! Hi Kathy, Is it true you're going(went) to Russnakkon? Good thing I had drill that weekend or I would have been tempted to drive (14 hours to Chicago from here.) Super bowl was a 4 day weekend for me, since we are on 2 day a month furlough due to lack of \$. The state does what it can and gives us long weekends, about 1/4 of the crew each weekend of the month. Yesterday I finished a long, dragged out drill weekend - did absolutely nothing aside from read 2 new dirty books someone bought in (Do you ever put John on a leash and make him bark like a dog? ((KK: No, but I've seen Woody actually put a leash on a hamster - is that the same thing???)

I'm in thriving Bartlesville, OK, an hour north of Tulsa tonight. We got in Mond., will leave Fri. Looks like I'll be here almost all the time for the next couple of months. So, what to do? If I had brought some swimwear, I could use the indoor pool and wow the women with my stunning physique, but what the heck, I'll give them a break this week. Next week, watch out.

Page 9 of KK, and still more letters! So how about Mark Frueh:

Dear Kathy, So good of you to write me and again a pleasure to read your KK. Keep 'em coming!

But, again I contend that Derwood "Booper" Bowen is being very nice to you - let's look at his last note you printed in KK.

"One is expected to ask questions of Mistress KK, the bag lady...."

Why right there is proof that he holds respect for you - why else would an educated and refined gentlemen like Mr. Bowen lower himself to ask questions to a "BagLady"?

((KK: Because no one else would take him seriously?))

Next part of niceness...."Is it true you became a bag lady when your first lover refused to have sex with you unless you wore a bag? over your body?" Ha, Ha, Ha - that Derwood, such a funny card! His compliment to you was that anyone would consider having sex with you in the first place! Ha, ha - We all know that Phyllis and Frank are products of your illegal theft of a sperm bank.

((KK: Not really, Phyllis was to be my punishment in life! As for Frank he is about as bright as you are! Frannie is the only normal one in the bunch - she takes after me!!!!))

Now the real topper to prove Derwood's sincerity. He wrote to you in the first place. It's a wonder that he would waste a perfectly good stamp just to beef up your pitifully low self esteem.

((KK: You know what, I just discovered that Frank is brighter than you, as even he would know better than to waste a stamp writing me!))

With all that, you can realize that Derwood is a friend worth keeping.

((KK: No kidding, I couldn't even give him away - no one would take him!))

Surely you can be happy (for once in your miserably wretched life) with that thought.

((KK: Thanks, It's not bad enough that I'm saddled with Robert Sacks, now I have Booper too.....not to mention you!!!!))

I would like to end this with your own quote. "As for a body to replace mine - well, how about Derwood Booper!" I guess biologically the closest thing to you would be Derwood. You both have the same small mustache.....Another supporter to the KK cause - Kill Kathy.....Mark

((KK: And to think, you almost asked for a sub refund - where did I go wrong???? Well, since you compared my body to Derwood, I think it is only fair that I tell you that you could pass for Dan Palter's twin brother! But, only if you lose about 40lbs.!!!!))

Hi Cathy((KK: Yes, the moron actually wrote Cathy with a C! only cochise))  
It's time for my almost monthly fix of KK. Get those hypodermic needles ready. Ahhhhhh!

They should always show those movies at Woody's fast. It's a riot!' Scraping Tom off of the floor afterwards was not fun, however.

((KK: I never saw little Tommie so engrossed in anything in my entire life - he loved the movies that Woody was showing so much, that you would've thought little Cindy Brady had graduated to taking off her clothes!!!!))

Linsey must have thought he was in a gourmet restaurant when you served him Spooky's Furina. He probably thought it was a pate. Just goes to show what his taste in food is like.

((KK: Not to mention women!))

I wish Titan was my private female stripper but no. It is just a very long war game!.....Cochise

P.S. Anything interesting happen while I was checking up on my father?

((KK: Nah, nothing interesting at all. I mean the house was raided Woody was arrested for contributing to the delinquency of minors, hamsters and fish! ))

Page 10 of KK, and more on Woody's illegal activities!!!!!!

And before we continue with our letters and other trash....  
I would just like Cochise to know that the prayers and thoughts of this household are with him and his family. We wish his father a speedy recovery, and if there is anything that we can do - just let us know!

Next up - Mr. Daly, Sir! Who is not to crazy about her new nickname! Samantha had a good birthday and like her cards from you and John and from Deadwood (how did you know he wouldn't buy her one?) And now it seems that Woody sent her a valentine from both of us, since we're so "cruel and insensitive" oops - excuse me, that was "insensitive and cruel". This kid will be ready to run away from home by the time she's two!!!! Anyway, she wants you to have a balloon left over from her 3 birthday parties. It was the only orange balloon in the package, so we saved it just for you.

((KK: Thanks Samantha! That was very nice of you. It's nice to see that you take after your mother, rather than Deadwood!))

Loved the envelope containing your last letter. The Soy Sauce blotches really added a nice touch.

((KK: We had Chinese food one night, and my son Frank, opened a soy sauce container in a very unique way - it squirted all over the envelopes!!!!))

Things are really shaping up for LepreCon. We've got three definites from Eugene, including Jim Bumpus and Mike Ehli, and Tallman & Cunning from Seattle. Mark Frueh-wants to come if he can find somebody driving out - please mention this in KK or maybe he'll get offered a ride. I'm anxious to play in a FTF game. Guess what my first choice country will be?

((KK: I think I'll take a shot in the dark and say Italy!!!))

So Grabar says that "with a name like Extron, who needs a nickname." With a comment like that, I'm amazed it's Woody who's referred to as a simple-minded antelope!

((KK: Actually, I think it was Woody who coined the term when referring to Bruce Linsey!))

As for my new nickname, if it wasn't good enough for Ding Dong, why give it to me?? That Steve Knight is a real sap!!! Cochise gets 8 brownie points and a hug for being so nice in his suggestions. My personal favorite was "Calamity Joan", suggested by Hot Pants Coughlan, but you put that in the KK questions and not the contest. How come? (( Sorry, but that is the way Gary sent it in - in a question! Oh, okay, since Daly did get a second chance, and he chose that great nickname of Ding Dong.....we'll let you slide too - you are now Calamity Joan! Damn, I'm never gonna get rid of that Mr. Daly, Sir! Well, maybe John and Betty's son will have more sense and use it as his nickname-by the way, Congrats to the Daly's on the arrival of their son!))

We do have more letters, but they will take up a full page, so I get to waste this space!!!! How lucky can you get!!! A special thanks to Gary Coughlan for finding out who the European BNC really is. I have written the European and UK BNC, and received very nice letters back from them - so, thanks Gary for clearing that up!

with the end of the Olympics, I can only say - U.S. athletes are not exactly bringing home the medals. Maybe, Americans are out of shape! One surprise was Scott Hamilton, holding on to the gold medal in the men's figure skating. All I can say is that it sure was lucky that he had a huge lead going into the final round - the long program or he never would've taken the medal. The Canadian who finished second was probably the best I've ever seen on the ice! He was magnificent! Scott blew it, and Brian deserved to win - the Canuck was just that good!!!



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DEAR KATHY,

It is with great delectation that I indite to you and express my sincere appreciation of your philanthropy and thoughtfulness. I am of course referring to the dedication you thought fit to bestow upon me in the popular publication "KATHY'S KORNER", which I will affectionately refer to as KK. I would like to first point out the Brobdingnagian error which you irreverently committed in the last issue of KK. You, and I am quite certain it was an erroneous act which lacked the premeditation to be considered an insult, incorrectly misrepresented my name. It was typed "MARGY". This is not the proper way it is spelled. The proper manner in which to represent my name is "MARCIE." I hope this will serve to alleviate any future errors of this nature no matter how distant. The loathsome quality about "MARGY" is that it resembles "WOODY" to much for my taste. I in no manner, shape, or form possess any of the revolting qualities that are to be found in Woody. Certainly it may be declared that we are relatively the same size, 1,000-1,200 lbs., yet I can not tell ~~his~~, Woody is heavier. He is approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  a ton over weight. I write approximately because truck scales are known to be off by a few pounds. As evidence of his revolting obesity I submit the enclosed evidence.

This leads me to the ugly topic of my assassination attempt which was ~~not~~ initiated by none other than the loathsome obese entity dubbed "Woody". I appreciate your fond concern for my condition, and I am gratified to report that I am well on the way to a complete recovery. As a precautionary measure, advised by the Grouch, I hired Max as my bodyguard. This transaction was inaugurated none to soon as the very next day Max killed a hamster which was spying on me. Now I would not usually lend any credence to this event as an attempt on my life except for the fact that a capital "W" was found embellishing this vile rodents posterior. The ASPCA has been duly notified and has promised to initiate action on my behalf against the obscenely obese hamster molester known as Woody.

The ASPCA has also promised to look into the molesting of that dumb southern belle Elsie. It has come to my attention that she has been the recipient of several sexual overtures made by a certain Gary from down south. What compells Elsie, who by the way is no relation to me, to consent to this debasing behavior is beyond me. Having sexual relations with someone as vulgar, nauseating, and repulsive as Gary is on a par with the thought of a male having sex with you Kathy, even if you were enveloped in a bag.

Let it also be proclaimed throughout Dipdom that ~~it~~ I am founding a Black Jack Club for the hobby members. I am the presiding president, and my assistant vice presidents, in charge of all vice, are Grouch and you, Kathy. I feel it is the least I can do to exhibit my gratefulness toward you. The three of us form the triumvirate of permanent members. The MBJC also has two honorary members in the form of Mike Barno and Ben Schilling, this honor bestowed upon them for their showing at the recent Black Jack game held during New Year's at your humble place of residence. I have submitted a membership to be auctioned off at the upcoming PDO auction. The only person, ~~on a~~ other thing, that will not be tolerated in this club is, of course, Woody. Eric Kane and Carl Russell will be charged doubled if they decide to join due to the fact that the management considers these two losers high risk candidates.

Sincerely yours,  
MARCIE

MBJC/s G'm

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Page 12 of KK, and my answer to my friend Marcie!!!!!!

KK: Very well stated Marcie - I most certainly will never spell your name wrong again - I can't imagine how that happened! I must have Woody on the brain! And I promise to uphold the Black Jack Club! And make sure that Woody is kept out! We don't encourage Losers around here! Fell free to write again anytime - you are a very welcome member of KK - because unlike most of the readers here, you at least have a brain

Next up the Ken Peel's famous knitting school, - thanks Ken!!!!!!

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Dear Ms. BYRNE:

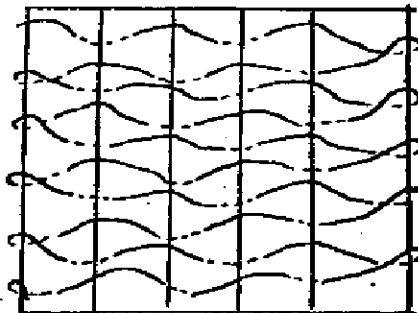
Thank you for expressing an interest in our free, introductory Knit & Purl Course. The following instructions are intended for those with absolutely no knitting experience. We have found these individuals most likely to actually pay for follow-up lessons, and least likely to sue.



Each lesson is personally prepared and outlined by Mr. Peel himself, who's manual dexterity and aptitude for spatial relations rival his credentials as a Knit & Purlist Extraordinaire.

Lesson One - Afghan, just like your Grandmother used to make.

Needed: knitting utensils  
yarn or something like that  
lots of time

Follow the E-Z directions below:



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Page 13 of KK, and all I can say is that I hope Rod Walker has found his sense of humor!!!!!!

Last month, we all got a crack at Robert Sacks and why he was such a bully - I was kind of afraid to answer my phone after I knew Robert had KK - but I must say that he amazed me, by saying how funny he thought KK was. I only hope that Rod Walker can take the following in the same light! Remember Rod this is all in fun!

Alright guys remember I don't write it - I just print it!!!!!!

So take it way, away - first up - Honey Olsen!

Rod Walker is such a fossil because millions of years ago, when the world was young and John Boardman was middle-aged, Walker fell into a tar pit. Due to a miraculous process of preservation Walker's entire body remained in its original state, all except for the brain, which was gradually dissolved. When a suitable amount of time had elapsed and the brain was completely destroyed Walker emerged from his tar pit and took control of Diplomacy World. This is why so many pictures of dinosaurs (Berch, Peery, etc.) appear in the pages of DW.

Next up Marc Peters:

Rod Walker is such a fossil because, as we all know, fossils are created when massive weight crushes something's imprint into rock, so Rod has been imprinted into the hobby by the massive amount of crap thrown on him over the years. Either that, or it's because he likes it a lot better on the bottom than being on the top!!!

Even Caruso had to add his two cents!

1. He thinks the world of Mark Berch.
2. He thinks the "In-6" still control the hobby and can dictate to people what to say and do.
3. He and Robert Sacks are kissing cousins!  
(KK: Please note that Robert Sacks, denies having any cousins!)
4. His age is more than his weight.
5. He sits in a rocking chair with an electric blanket on his lap and Larry Peery kneeling at his feet.

Next up Mr. Grouch Makkuc

Rod Walker is such a fossil because by definition a fossil is:  
"any hardened remains or traces of plant or animal life...."  
"a person who has fixed or out moded ideas" Combining these two definitions we come up with Rod Walker! An ancient cabbage patch doll that has a primitive brain!

Never let it be said that Robert Sacks would pass up a great chance like this one .....take it away Robert!

Rod Walker is such a fossil because:

he believes Diplomacy World is part of the diplomacy hobby.  
he believes Diplomacy World is the diplomacy hobby.  
he believes "status quo ante" is Latin for "Walker wins"  
he believes that the people he lies to, cheats, or intimidates don't have the right to compare notes.  
he believes he can fool all of the people all of the time.  
he believes that anyone he can't fool is not entitled to be treated as people.  
he believes that anyone he can fool is not entitled to be treated as people.

Next up Greg Ellis,

Rod Walker is such a fossil because he provides us with a partial record of the past. Like most fossils, the record is in complete and terribly biased, but much better than having nothing at all.

Page 14 of KK, and all I can say is "Yes, Rod there is more!"

Woody says: Rod Walker is such an old fossil that he drove Gordon Anderson out of the hobby!

And Woody - Cochise thinks along the same lines: Rod Walker is not only a fossil he's cold-hearted. The man has a heart of stone. If you do one itty-bitty thing wrong, he'll jump on you. Take the case of Gordon Anderson. Just because he took some money from unsuspecting players, Rod ran him out of the hobby. The man needed his rent money somehow, I'm sure he would pay it back if he could. It's now almost a decade later and Gordy wants back in. Time heals all wounds they say. We shall see. Rod is not welcoming him with welcome arms but at least he's not coming at him with a shotgun.....

Next up Calamity Joan - OK, Why is Rod Walker such a fossil? Well, definition #4 in my dictionary says a fossil is "a person who is old-fashioned or has outmoded, fixed ideas." Hmmmm.....shall we just say he's a relic from the early days of the hobby?

And the runner up for one free issue - Don Del Grandet! Rod Walker is such a fossil because THE NATIONAL LIFER recently released a report which said that he has been linked to the first Dip game ever using PBPE - Play by Pony Express. (No stabs back then - just flaming arrows in the chest!)

Walker is such a fossil, is won by Mr. Dave Grabar! Yes, Dave two free issues, that is good for you as I think that you needed the free issues, I mean it must be getting close to running out - I mean issue #205 must be any year now!!!!!! Why is Walker such a fossil? I really don't think it's fair to call Rod a fossil, just because his brain is full of dust. After all, I feel someone isn't ancient until they are at least 60. Give him a break. He has 2 yrs. left.

Well, thanks to all of you - and I'm sure that you will all be hearing from Rod! - and all I can say is better you than me!!!!!!

Next month, our new contest will be ..... Why is Dick Martin such a monster?!.....Dick you win this honor because you came up with the idea about Rod Walker!!!!!!

Next up I want a nickname - Wrobel never did know when he was better off!



See next page for the results!

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Ed wants a nickname, and believe me when I tell you - lots of people were ready to oblige him.....take it away Melinda!  
How about Knothead? The reasoning is painfully obvious!

Greg Ellis, no relation to Woody offers this!  
Ed Wrobel's nickname should be sesquipedalian!  
((KK: Good try, but forget it - not only can't I spell it or say it - I don't even know what it means!!!!))

Marc Peters:  
How about "Sesquipedaliast", for someone very fond of using very long words. But since that is probably too hard for most people to pronounce, how about "Mr. Magniloquent", which means somebody who speaks in a lofty, grandiose manner - in short, somebody who's pretty pompous! Surely Ed deserves a nickname befitting his bombastic nature!?

Bob Olsen, my honey writes:  
I think Ed Wrobel's nickname should be Fast Eddie. In fact that's why I suggested the contest. Anybody who has met Ed knows that he is a fast-talking, shifty dude in a plaid suite, Panama hat, and green eye-shade. Fast Eddie is so fast, he can double order units and when you look at his order sheet there is only one order there. Fast Eddie was thrown out of Chicago (home of another Fast Eddie) because he spent too much time with his hands in pockets. None of the pockets were his you see. About the only good thing you can say about Fast Eddie is that he is polite, oh and fast.

But the winner for two free issues, and like Grabar, a life time subscriber who really doesn't need the issues is Calamity Joan!!!!  
Mr. Wrobel, Sir (no explanation needed) or, if that's too formal, how about Mr. Ed? (Straight from the horse's mouth, right?)

Right, definitely Mr. Ed!!!!!! I wonder what Mr. Ed is going to think about this - I just know that he is going to be as thrilled as Ding Dong was when he got his nickname!!!!!!

Last month, we ran a movie quiz - just for James Woodson! You could understand this if you ever saw what James has put me and others through for the past months! Anyway all that I can say is that you guys did horrible!

The entrants were Del Grande, Woodson, Melinda and Grabar!  
#1: I love Nipples....ans. Talk dirty to me  
Dave: Rosemary's Baby, Del Grande: Forky's and Woodson: Murder on the Buxom Express!  
#2: Here's looking at you kid. ans. Absence of Malice  
Woodson: Casablanca, Ditto Del Grande & Melinda....Grabar: Man with the X-rays eyes  
#3: Use your tongue....ans. Talk to Dirty to Me  
Grabar: Rolling Stones in Concert, Del Grande: Rock & Roll High School and Woodson: Charlie Brown and Lucy Go All the Way!  
#4: You hate us, we hate you. ans. Talk dirty to me  
Woodson: Gary and Elsie and Dick and Julie  
Del Grande: Victory, Melinda: Clockwork Orange and Grabar: Divorce Italian Style  
#5: Brush your hair up, it makes it full and bushy. ans. Talk Dirty tome  
Grabar: I wouldn't touch that with a 10' pole. Melinda - Shampoo  
Woodson: Shampoo and Del Grande Two of a Kind

Page 16 of KK, and the losers of the movie quiz!!!!!!

#6: A cookie for some nookie - ans. Talk Dirty to me  
Grabar: The Fortune Cookie, Del Monte: Take the Money and Run  
Woodson: Behind the Green Door

#9: Director...ans. Anthony /spinelli  
Woodson: Russ Meyer, Del Grande: Woody Allen and Grabar: Jack Lemon

Well, I can only say - Good Try! Obviously the above were trick questions....and it is all Woody's fault - he rented the movie and then forced me to watch it!!!!!!

Well, then last weekend, we went to Woody's sister's house and Woody actually showed more of these movies! I was shocked! So was Julie! But, Swider and Kane were glued to the TV screen!

Tommie was so shocked that he could only say:  
"So this is what happened to Cindy Brady!"

Eric Kane just kept saying:  
"I'm coming, I'm coming"

Carl Russell just kept saying "anyone want to play Titan?"  
Actually Carl Russell was ignored a lot!!!!!!

Julie said "I wouldn't want to miss a trick!"

Woody while viewing this art(?) movie stated: "My that's a big one!"

As you can see, going to Woody's is an experience! I came home with the flu! Woody loves to make people sick! Woody fed us (aside from X rated films) a 9 ft. long Hoagie! It was very good.

Woody also got on Lee Kendter's nerves by calling Lee and myself:  
the Bobbsey Twins!

Woody as usual was obnoxious - he woke Eric Kane up by putting 3 ice cubes down his pants!

Julie tried to sexual assault a banana, Dick assaulted a can of frozen orange juice, and Mark Larzalere typed away, all weekend, except when the movies were on!

We went to friendly's to eat and I got to be in group #1 - along with Woody and Carl Russell. Hey, don't laugh, you should've seen group #2 Mainardi, Swider, Cannon, Cochise, Frank - all the loud people!

Oh, well I guess that is all for now - I have to be out of room soon! Just one quick plug for a zine that was discussed at Woody Con - Mike Cannon's Embassy Row - this zine has never bored one person who was at Woody's and that is saying something! I'd suggest you check it out, it isn't a cure for insomnia, but we have DD for that!

Irksome is folding by the end of the year.....Scott will be missed! But not by the victims of his zine reviews! I think that he will be happy to help him out the door!

Till next month - and don't forget the questions! Letters! or Whatever!!!!!!

*me*

John, ((a paragraph from a Bruce Linsey letter, relating to the Gordon Anderson inquiry))

I also noticed your comment about Rod Walker driving Gordon Anderson out of the hobby a few years ago. I've heard just a little about Anderson and would like to hear the whole story as you heard it. Did Rod have a good reason for this action, and how did he go about driving Gordon out of the hobby? All of this happened before I was around, so I'm curious (and maybe some of your other readers are too), to hear the details.

((You see the type of person it takes to take a tongue-in-cheek item seriously? Bruce, read my statements below for more details. Why would anyone want to know "How" someone drove someone else out? Just think, you could have had a field day going after Gordon 9 years ago. Rod obviously doesn't believe it is possible, but by your remarks, you seem to think that it is possible.(drive from the hobby). But what the hell, whats a good witchhunt without you, right Bruce?))

John here, realize that the comments Rod is making statements about wre intended to be tongue-in-cheek. Some are close to reality, while others are off base. I didn't attempt to deceive anyone, smear anyone or start trouble. So lets get down to the points and hope that this whole thing ends right here, unless there is another addition or correction to add.

Rod broke my simple statement down into 5 items- I'll just lump some of it together, without the itemizing numbers.

Rod you stated Gordon failed to make good on Diplomacy Tournament money, isn't that absconding? Gordon never dropped from the hobby, he went underground, or how else would I have met him, and known him since 1977 and knew his story for the last 5 years. I also played in a few games with him in this time. You say you didn't drive him, yet claim you were a "member of the posse". Why would Gordy have to make a last ditch fight as you say in your letter here, yet in D7 you printed he left because of severe personal problems. Which is it? Since he never left, I doubt very highly it was due to PERSONAL PROBLEMS that he used a pseudonym. The story I so mysteriously referred to was that I was told of his personal problems and ~~the~~ reason for using a pseudonym was fear of Rod Walker retaliating. You can't blame the guy for being hesitant about one of the "member of the posse", now can you? I got the other side of the story by just asking. You didn't get his side of the story, but did you bother to ask him? "Open arms" is a figure of speech coupled with "reconsidered", which was meant to mean forgive and forget, which you included in your ending.

Gordon wanted to remain back in the hobby 9 years ago, and he now wants to come back in, as Gordon Anderson. I made a humorous statement about his return, that is all. Had I intended to go into details about the turn of events, I'd have printed all this first with accompanying proof, possibly years ago when I first found out. I DID NOT. I am truly sorry my statement bothered you. It wasn't meant to. I sincerely hope this is the last we see of this entire subject, as a persons feelings, and desire to be in the hobby are involved. Nothing will be gained by rehashing the whole matter. Don't you agree? You didn't drive him out and he does want back in. Hopefully he will make good on all his defaulted past commitments. And for the record, I agree with your comments of contact to Gordy wholeheartedly: try friendly. As I said last issue, I agree with Rod, 100%. Gordon deserves another chance.

((By the way Rod, not to pick a nit with you, but nowhere did I say or quote you as welcoming Gordy back with open arms. That was my words not yours, and I never said hey were your words. Pulling a Berch on me?))

to contact him at 4040 N. Spaulding,  
Chicago IL 60625. Try a friendly let-  
ter of inquiry first. I know that

BARROOM BABBLE

Dear John ((from Steve Courtemanche))

What?? This column is called 'Barroom Babble' and you're putting down beer? How do you expect us to loosen up our tongues and inhibitions? Pepsi? ((How do you drink beer? Up chucking it? Ask the Madlads, they down it too, I'm sure))

We should be thankful that Europe gave us beer. Frauke is just icing on the cake. She's a really fine person. We need more like her. For those other things on your list, who needs them?

((Frauke, can you ice my cake too? We don't need more like Frauke here, we already have Welfare Indians, Haitians, etc. But if more of the people of Europe turned out like her, the world would be a better and safer place to live.))

John, ((Jim Makuc))

Has Tacky folded? Haven't rec'd anything since before Christmas. Say hi to the twins for me.

((Hi twins. Tacky hasn't folded. Lu Henry has a couple of broken arms, falling on the ice, or something. I rec'd my WSIM results from him just this Sat, and I'm sure you should have rec'd your game results as well. If not, contact Lu Henry. Why does everyone think I have some kind of hot-line to every publisher who doesn't come out or is late? I do not, I assure you.))

Dear John, ((from Mike Ehli-who doesn't know how to spell his own name))

Who am I? I'm not sure myself. Do I exist? Definitely. This fact can be attested to by the many people who encountered both Tallman and I at DafCon, such as "Hot Pants" Coughlan, Steve and Daf, Peery, Duck Williams, Birsan, Beyerlein and many more. You don't believe me? Your own daughter, Czarina Catherine the ~~1st~~ average, saw both my England and Tallman's Germany go down in 82IU ("Heat Night" in Irksome)((We don't mention Irksome here, for fear of a good zine review of ourselves))

Still unconvinced? You, YES YOU can see me in the flesh at LepreCon. I'll be the one with the glasses and the FNORD t-shirt, and most likely several daggers in my back. Kallisti-Hail Eris-All Hail Discordia

((Now you've gone and done it. You all are calling my daughter a Commie? She's not a Czarina! And she sure as heck isn't mediocre either. Boy, some people have nerve. And perverted too. I don't care to see you in the flesh, as I'm sure the tooty-fruity's of Calif did, and enjoyed it. But I can steer you to the right place for that kind of thing. Try Mr Stephen Arnawoodian. Regrettably, I will not be able to attend LepreCon. But some day, I'll get to meet all of you West Coast Weirdos.))

KUDZU DOUG MARLETTE



QUOTE OF THE MONTH: ((Because I forgot to put a name next to it last month)) Mark Berch-"Don't believe all this talk of not being able to make people pay. It can be done, I did it."



END OF GAME STATEMENT - TEXAS LONGHORNS  
FRANCE - played by Stephen Wilcox

This game begun as a local game played entirely via the telephone. After Winter 1904, our GM felt he could no longer properly house the game and attempted (but to no avail) to find a replacement. That left a very interesting game hanging in limbo for several weeks. Greg Ellis contacted John Caruso requesting information on how to find a replacement GM, and John graciously accepted the position. Since all the players were still local, we ran the game on a 2-week deadline flyer.

This game was actually the second of what we thought was to be a series of telephone games in the Houston area. The first was GMed by myself and won by Greg Ellis. This helped my opening negotiations in this game quite a bit. Since I was playing FRANCE, and Greg RUSSIA, I reminded everyone of the players of Greg's recent win and set up non-aggression pacts with ENGLAND, GERMANY, and ITALY. I attempted to arrange a blitz on RUSSIA because I felt he was my major competition in the game. Well, that didn't work. Greg had successfully convinced everyone (with the exception of Austria) to make neutral or pro-Russian moves. The only thorn in his side was the move of AUSTRIA A Bud - RUM. Somehow Greg convinced the Austrian to walk of Rumania in the Fall as he walked on. The next year, a combination RUSSIA/TURKEY alliance blew away AUSTRIA.

That gives you a brief idea of what I was up against this game, but things were going very well for me during that time. I opened to Mid, Gas, and Spa. I had hoped that all of my bordering countries would abide by our non-aggression pact, but unfortunately ITALY moved to Piedmont. He explained to me that he thought he was being a part of a 3 way blitz on me (obviously RUSSIA had tried to set that up) and no one else followed suit. He agreed to vacate Piedmont and cause me no problems, but there was a surprise hitch to that. GERMANY had opened to Tyrolia (claiming he expected to bounce with ITALY). I took a couple of season to get the army out of Piedmont and by the time he accomplished that I had a pretty good relationship with Dave (Frick - the Italian player). We had each gone several seasons without lying about our planned moves. Actually we took that a step further and were very open with what all of our moves were. That alliance continued to prosper. At one point, Dave asked me to build a fleet and go help him with his battle in the Ionian Sea against TURKEY. I gladly obliged. It ended up me taking Tunis in the Spring and then walking off of it in the Fall to keep it under Italian control. At that point I was sure I had a solid ally with Dave.

My negotiations continued throughout the game the same way they begun. As much anti-Russian rhetoric as possible! Through 1903, GERMANY and ENGLAND remained fairly neutral. However, in Fall 1903, GERMANY supported Russia into Sweden to take it from the English. In Spring of 1904, I stabbed GERMANY. I explained to everyone on the board that it was solely because he chose to work with RUSSIA. My anti-Russian rhetoric continues. Even though the only supply center GERMANY lost that year was Munich to Italy, the GERMAN player was so upset that he never turned in another set of orders. We had agreed to play under a no replacement rule so his dots were now easy pickings.

ENGLAND became very nervous at this point. All he could see is a growing FRANCE on one side and a growing RUSSIAN on the other. Both Greg and I had tried time and time again to get Mike (also Frick - the English player) to attack the other. The very season the the GERMAN pieces were eliminated Greg and I both stabbed Mike. We jointly explained that he should have made up his mind. You can't stay neutral forever. The next season he NMR'd. Greg and I mopped up his remains in another year or so.

During this short period of time that I was working with RUSSIA, we discussed to some extent how to go about achieving a 2way draw. A season was planned that he would make a move against his Turkish ally at the same time I attack my Italian ally. Greg followed this plan, but I didn't. Instead, I convoyed to Norway, slipped into Barents, and set up an attack on his Denmark. At this point it was obvious to all I was close to a win.



1983IG Ultimate Game Fall 1901 Vengeance is mine, and mine, and mine!

AUSTRIA Hurst: F Alb-Tri; (A Vie S); A Ser-R;  
ENGLAND Cunning: F Nwg-Nwy; A Yor-Bel; (F Nth C);  
FRANCE Makuc: A Bur-Bel; A Spa-Por; F Mid-Iri;  
GERMANY Frueh: A Kie-Hol; (A Ruh S); F Den-Swe;  
ITALY Extrom: F Ion-Tun; A Ven-Tri; (A Tyo S);  
RUSSIA Holley: A Stp-Fin; F Bot-Swe; A War-Ukr; F Rum S Tur F Con-Bul \*\*  
\*\* The order as written is ambiguous.  
TURKEY Martin: A Bul-Gre; F Con-Bul(SC); A Smy-Con;

AUSTRIA: Home, Ser +1  
ENGLAND: Home, Nwy +1  
FRANCE: Home, Por +1  
GERMANY: Home, Hol, Den +2 WOW!  
ITALY: Home, Tun +1  
RUSSIA: Home, Rum +1  
TURKEY: Home, Bul, Gre +2

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GM Commentary: Very conservative play if you ask me. I'm going to break from normal GM practice and make a prediction as to whom is going to do what. The winner will come from this game. What did you expect? A Crystal Ball-type prediction?

PRESS: Rus-Ita: Actually it should be 'Tsarina', the feminine variation but one cannot expect proper grammar from a Gnome-Ad. You know, one who has no home. ((Is that below the belt or what?))

Rus-Aus: Of course you know this means war. ((What else is new in New Rus-UK: Happy Valentines Day! ((Why thank you, and for that, you'll never NMR or lose a home center. See Tom, it might work for you too.))

Eng-World: This is where I close my eyes and take a big leap and pray there is some ground when I land. ((You were nailed to the ground))

Eng-World: OK, who's the wise guy who told the world I was allied to everyone Can't trust anyone these days. ((Remember, when all else goes badly, you can always trust you Father.))

Julie-Kathy: You're gonna love this game. ((I am already, who cares if Kathy watches))

Per-StP: How was Nwy?  
Iri-Worried Eng Ally: Don't mind me. I'm just protecting Liverpool from those thieving Turks. You can't trust them for a minute. ((You don't have a forked tongue- its called a pitch-fork head))

Grouch((O))-Julie: When you ranked this game you forgot I control MARCIE who only holds on 18. ((His head IS a piece of cold steel))

Ita-World: The Holy Roman Empire makes its move to acquire the Austro-Hungarian Empire. St Joan sincerely hopes that the Arch-Gnome won't take it personally. We'd probably go after you even you weren't male. ((hahah)

Ita-GM: So what if the Bloodsucker calls you the "Italian Goose". Thats not such a bad name. Beats the hell out of "Mr Daly Sir".

GM-Ita: Whats in a name anyway. I love you anyway.

ARCH-GNOME to TSARDINE & POPPEY: I'm sure you'll join me in congratulating the HAREM QUEEN for being the winner in the Austrian State Lottery. That she won only by virtue of both of you magnanimously disqualifying yourselves should go without mention. However, the manner in which you did causes me to reconsider.--Ralph

ARCH-GNOME to GM: You should be lauded for putting together a game in which all the best in the play of Diplomacy comes to the fore! Where else can we have rampant toadyism and lying? Where else can the blind following of dogma and cliché be a virtue instead of a vice? Where else can a player who is obviously different go into a game with two strikes already against him get his just desserts? Well, I had my chance--about as much as a black in the 1880's had in front of a Southern lynch-mob. Thanks for the opportunity. I learned something.--RALPH

AND THE QUEEN SAID, "Balls! If I had to, I'd be King!" The King smiled, not because he had to, but because he had two.

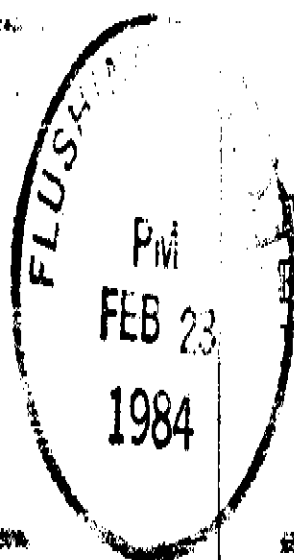
ARCH-GNOME TO GM: It's not, mind you, that I dislike having my left testicle handed to me on a silver platter. It's just that I wish that they wouldn't do so without benefit of anaesthetic!

ARCH-GNOME to POPPET: Just remember, after the HASEN QUEEN is through with me, she'll be taking on another line of work -- Oregon-grinder, with the TSARDINE as her monkey.

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