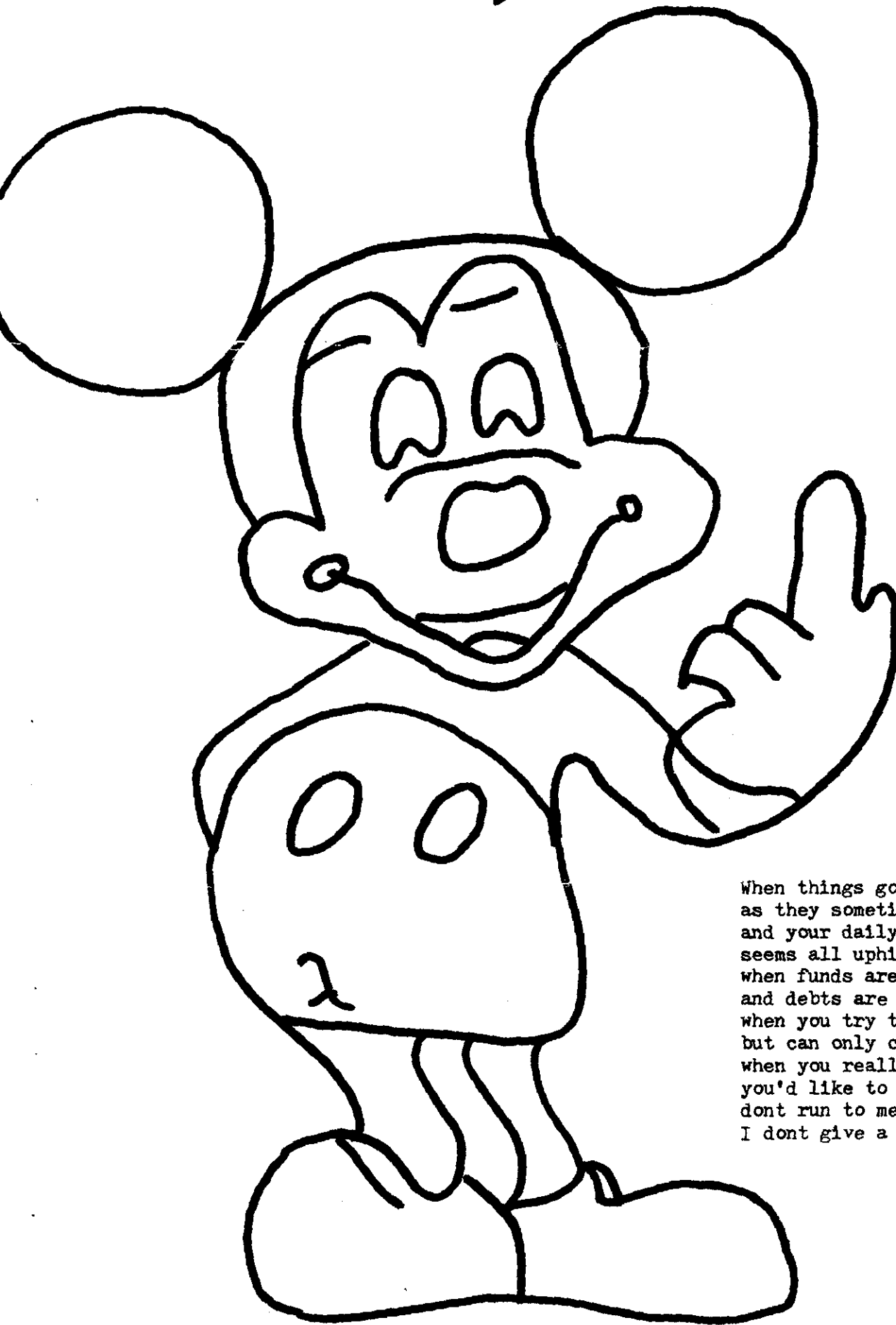


Who Cares (7)



When things go wrong
as they sometimes will
and your daily road
seems all uphill
when funds are low
and debts are high
when you try to smile
but can only cry
when you really feel
you'd like to quit
dont run to me
I dont give a SHIT!

Once again fans for those of you that happen to care, even for those of you who dont but have paid anyway, here is Who Cares #7. Hopefully there are a few of you out here that will enjoy this thing. Anyway Who Cares is dedicated to the play of postal Diplomacy, conceived of by Alan Calahamer, owned by Avalon Hill, as well as Cosmic Diplomacy which is a combination of postal Diplomacy and Eon Products creation, Cosmic Encounters.

Speaking of postal Diplomacy I am considering opening one more game at this point in the hopes of attracting a few new subbers as well as giving some of you on the sidelines a chance to play should you be so inclined. I would open either one game of regular Diplomacy or one game of Cosmic Diplomacy (definatly not both however) depending on which of these receives the most interest. I had tried opening one invitational regular game however those invited had different ideas and have either informed me of them or ignored me completly, in either case I have pretty much given up on that and I will simply open one to whoever is interested. Naturally I still will refuse those known for NMRing or those known for playing the game gunboat. Realisticly I cant be anywhere near perfect on this promise since I have been suprised lately about so many people that I dont know who have inquired here. I guess I owe a thank you to those of you out there that have recommended me, I would ask that those of you recommending specific people let me know that they might be coming. Also I am still hoping that some of you out there will consider reffering a few reliable people if you know of any that arent here who might be interest in the type of games I am trying to run.

I guess I can bid farewell to both Frump the Midget and Grump the Midget, both have simply cut off all communication, I have no idea what they are up to at this point. Actually I am kind of sorry to see them go simply because I did get alot of good comments about them. Some people seemed slightly offended or bored by one or the other however realisticly most of the comments were positive, therefore hopefully you assholes will reconsider and start sending columns once again. Also you could consider it a mercifull act since you people would take precedence over my great works of art which apparently not as appreciated as they should be.

Well I guess I have had my first defection as well because of my editriol stands on the constitutional right to drive while drunk which I have mentioned every once in a while. One of my original subbers was so offended that he is the first to resign and or flee from Who Cares. I am sorry that he found my views so offensive that he had to resign however by the same token I do not apologize for anything that I have written and I have yet to here anintelligent rather then emotional arguement refuting my stands.

I read in a recent poll that I came in 13th somewhere for something. Im not really sure what it was, some sort of Writer's Poll which had the results published in Terran by Steve Heinowski 12034 Pyle, Oberlin Ohio 44074. I would appreciate if someone out there would explaine what the thing was all about and exactly what I was 13th in. I am simply assuming it was another of those rather assinine polls that seem to constantly be run by members of the ecc or Larry Peery. By the way is it really true that Perry wanted to tax all players in new games, if so what was the money supposed to be used for and who was going to administer the fund? Also just out of curious did anyone here of anyone that was actually willing to second the idea?

Once again I am requesting standbys if anyone out there is willing. At present I have only two people on my list, they are Steve Langley and Blain Fowers and both are eligible only for the Writer's Cramp game. I am espescially interested in anyone that will offer to become a stand in the Cosmic Games since I have had most of my problems with NMR insurance in these. Actually I am still hoping that they will not be necessary but I am hoping for a few all the same.

Well I am getting to the end of this page so I guess I will simply end it with a couple of things I wanted to mention very quickly and then we can get on with whatever I decide to follow this up with. First of all this is being typed a few days in advance so if you see a Frump or Grump column in came after I gave up hope of getting it. Also I would like to thank everyone for the Christmas cards, hopefully nobody is offended however I have never been much for sending them. As a result let me wish everyone here a Happy Holiday season. Also one final note, the w deadlines for this season will be delayed a little because of the Holidays. We will be back on schedule within a couple of months though. Also I would appreciate it if people would let me know when they receive this thing so I know how well the post office goes to your part of the nation. Also any other comments either private or public are always welcome. Hopefully you will enjoy.

Time for our literary review (a new addition, everyone applaud and go ohhhh and ahhh)

Yes people I have decided to branch out and review a book or two in order to help you people decide to pick up something interesting as well as informative, and most importantly in this case, informative. Actually I just finished this book and I just really liked it since it basically agrees with most of the past philosophies that I have preached here.

Anyway the name of this particular book is The Virtue of Selfishness written by Ayn Rand sometime in the early 60's. Apparently it is an assortment of short articles written by Rand as well as four articles written by someone named Nathaniel Brandon. (If anyone out there has ever heard about Brandon I would appreciate you letting me know what you can.) For anyone familiar with Rand this book is more or less an essay stating and explaining the lessons that she tries to give, actually she succeeds rather well, in her two great books the Fountainhead & Atlas Shrugged. Basically both of these try to prove this one philosophy, I swear by my life and my love of it that I will never live for the sake of another man, nor ask another man to live for mine. For those interested that is the oath one had to swear to get into Galt's Gulch in Atlas Shrugged. (By the way I would recommend both Atlas Shrugged and the Fountainhead to anyone looking for a good book to read, for those of you valuing Steve Langley's opinion he is the one that got me to read the Fountainhead and he also liked Atlas Shrugged.)

In most of the short articles by Rand, 14 in all, she does her best to show that it is the individualist that realizes that it is up to him to make his own life. The most important part of her theory is that man must be a rational creature in order to survive as well as to advance. First she points out how plant life simply exists on a basic biological level simply maintaining its existence with the minerals in its immediate area. Secondly animals simply move on a very limited life cycle doing only what is needed for their basic existence. It is man however that can look beyond simple survival to actually build for the future. Man's basic ability to do just this comes from his ability to think, to use the materials around him in order to build and increase his standard of living. Rationality is the key to man's ability to think, rationality is defined as the ability to search out and to accept reality as it stands, not to put it aside because it does not fit in with that which we want. As an example it is basic reality that shows us that man must have air to survive and if he is to continue to survive he cannot forgoe that basic reality.

The main values in life according to Rand are reason, purpose, and self esteem with their corresponding virtues of rationality, productiveness and self esteem. The values of reason, purpose, and self respect are in essence three of the main ingredients in that which is known as selfishness. As a result selfishness must also be a somewhat virtuous trait. Unfortunately selfishness has gotten an unearned as well as an undeserved bad reputation. Man by the very nature of his existence must seek to make his life better and more full, this means that he must work to improve himself as well as his lot, which is in essence selfishness. Nowadays however we constantly here selfishness being referred to in a very negative sense. There is something wrong with people who work for their own good, we are constantly told that we must devote ourselves to the good of society. In religion we here it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a pin than it is for a rich man to enter heaven. In the papers we constantly read about how selfish successful men worry only about themselves despite the suffering masses. Even on the radio last night I heard a woman state that nobody can be truly fulfilled unless he devotes his life to others. All of these in essence say that selfishness is evil, yet none give any reason. They are all statements, none is a reason.

Basically when you examine the altruistic theory of living your life for the good of others is a flawed theory at best. According to this theory every man holds a blank check upon us while we are allowed nothing on our own behalf. As a result our existence is for nothing but to be the servant of others as the only way we are allowed anything is to beg it from others upon whom we also hold a blank check. The altruists would do nothing but turn all of us into common beggars and how can any begger have any self esteem or respect. By the same token to do anything for one's self is known as wrong, though nobody has told us why, and as a result a man can never do something for himself but is to be reduced to both the mindless slave of everyone else as well as a begger to live off the charity of others rather than a man who is allowed to develop and grow on his own into an intelligent being that can hold self-respect and pride not only in himself but also in his work.

Actually Rand also spends a good deal of time in this book defending capitalism as the only system logically proper for man to adopt. Since capitalism is the only system on earth that truly allows each man to reach his potential, should he wish to do so, it is also the only rationally acceptable form of government for man. Socialism and Communism are in essence systems that claim man as a slave or property of society rather than guaranteeing man the rights of freedom that all hold so dear. Rand also defines the sole purpose of government as being that of protecting man's rights.

Rand defines man's rights as basically freedom and assorted variations and developments of freedom. Man must be free to aspire and to create a better life for himself free from the worries of aggression or physical force. This is where government comes in, it's only two purposes according to Rand are to protect the freedom of a man as well as to set up an equitable system of settling assorted contractual disputes. According to Rand man's main right in life is to be free to think, to create, to provide for his own, in essence to work and think to better his life. A man's right to life and happiness do not guarantee him a free ride of having food put in front of him, they do not guarantee him the right to a job, or the right to a car or shelter; his rights guarantee him nothing more than the chance to work and try to attain these things on his own. To allow him the right of a free meal, a roof over his head, etc. is to state that he has a right to leech. It follows from this that one of man's most important rights is his property right. Property is a result of a man's own work or ingenuity and as a result he should have a right to acquire it and dispose of it as he wishes without having any worries about claims from society, his neighbor, or the public at large.

Rand also goes on to attack the philosophy of Democracy to some degree as stating that it is the system of looters and thieves. In reducing the idea of democracy to it's basic level it is to some degree a justification of theft. As in the case of the United States and our policy of majority rule, to some degree it is a justification of looting and leachhood every time a program is enacted, especially one in the name of the social or the humanitarian interests. As a very simple idea Democracy allows the majority to get together to legally deprive it's most successful of their property in the name of the social good.

Rand also attacks the idea of compromise as far as government is concerned. Put bluntly she states that there can be no compromise between right and wrong, for if they do indeed meet half way (the nature of compromise as we know it in politics today) then wrong has won in that it has gained something that it should not have and right has lost simply because it has given up something. The perfect example she points out here is one of trying to arrive at a compromise between a thief and his victim, the thief is due nothing and anything he gets is a victory for the thief and a loss for the victim, the fact that a thief may take less than originally intended is not the issue, it is simply that he has taken anything at all that makes it a loss. Put into practical terms every time there is a compromise in our governmental system with somebody gaining something in the name of the social good, this will always be done at the cost of the property or freedom rights of an individual which can only be wrong and a loss for that which is morally correct.

Another thing Rand attacks rather viciously is the idea of self sacrifice that we see preached today. Basically the idea of sacrifice is to give up something of value for something of lesser value or of no value at all. The idea of working to attain something and then parting with it for something of less than equal value is against all basic as well as advanced concepts of rationality, yet this is considered a virtue by the liberals and altruists that infest our society today. Rand also points out that our asylums are full of people who are kept there precisely for being unable to establish value or having a perverted sense of value and as a result being unable to handle life in a rational manner. When you think about it put bluntly we encourage people to act in a way that we consider so abnormal that we lock people up for doing it.

While I found this book a little boring to some degree I am happy that I took the time to read it simply because of the explanations put forth in it as well as the basic premise of I swear by my life and my love of it that I will never live for the sake of another man, nor ask another man to live for mine. When you think about it, yes it is selfish but it is also one of the most rational thoughts a man could have and without rationality we would be no better off than the animals around us. Putting aside my inability as far as book reviews are concerned I would suggest you read the Virtue of Selfishness, it is well worth the time.

Letters, or maybe one not sure yet, depends on how many I get and care to print.

Dear Slump:

I take exception to the fact that you said the east coasters couldnt't find beer in Detroit. After closing a bar with the mid-western trio of Bakken, Becker, & Peters I found your trailer. Don't I get honorary status or something? I mean I did stay up with you people all night! And even if the other members of the mcc had their problems finding the beer I certainly didnt.

By the way who wants to be a leader, I'll follow you to the beer anytime!

Kathy (Byrne)

PS Show up New Years & I will supply the beer. I know where to find it here!

First of all Kath, that little piece wasnt really made for you, it was meant for whatever whimpering fools put out that reveiw of Detroit, especially the pompous ass that declared east coast superiority and then turned around and whined that he couldnt even get a beer. I hadnt really wanted to mention how some of the east coasters wound up like beggers on our doorstep that night, after all I did want to leave you with some dignity. Also if I remember correctly (and I am sure that I do) the only people that stayed up all night were Bill Becker and I keeping a silent vigil atop the trailer. As far as honorary membership is concerned we do not offer such things, you are either in or out, nothing in between. If you are really interested in the midwestern clique however find a way to get your rump out here on a permanent basis and maybe a couple of us will work with you, if your lucky we might even put you in the beginners class with Kurt Ozog. As far as New Year's Eve is concerned I think we'll all be up in Madison with exception of Ozog who will be on a mission of love out west.

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Austria/Jordan	A bohemia-GALICIA, A VIENNA support A bohemia-galicia, A SERBIA-rumania
England/Cottle	A trieste-BUDAPEST, F BULGARIA SC hold, A TYROLIA support Ita A ven-pied
France/Byrne	F NORTH ATLANTIC-mid atlantic, A EDINBURGH hold, F north sea-london (dislodg)
	F ENGLISH CHANNELL-mid atlantic, A YORKSHIRE-london, A piedmont-TUSCANY
	F GULF OF LYON support A piedmont-tuscany, F WESTERN MED-mid atlantic,
	A BURGUNDY support german army munich
GERmany/Luedi	A silisia-WARSAW, A MUNICH support letter passer hater club, A ruhr-BELGIUM
	F HOLLAND support russian F skaggerak-north sea, A kiel-DENMARK
Italy/Rauterberg	F AEGEAN SEA support Austrian F bulgaria sc, F naples-THRRYENIAN SEA
	F TUNIS support F naples-tyrrhenian sea, F tuscany-gulf of lyon (dislodged)
	A VENICE support austrian army tyrolia-piedmont
Russia/Meinel	A galicia (dislodged) support german army munich-bohemia, A RUMANIA support
	A galicia, F sevastopol-BLACK SEA, F skaggerak-NORTH SEA,
	A sweden-NORWAY, F norway-NORWEGIAN SEA
Turkey/OlsEn	F CONSTANTINOPLE-bulgaria sc, A ANKARA-constantinople, A SMYRNA support
	a ankara-constantinople

Supply center chart for 1903

<u>Austria</u>	Home, Serbia, Bulgaria	-1	<u>England</u>	Edinburgh, Liverpool	-1
<u>France</u>	Home, London, Portugal, Spain	even	<u>Turkey</u>	home	even
<u>Germany</u>	Home, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Warsaw	+2	<u>Italy</u>	Home, Tunis, Greece	even
<u>Russia</u>	Norway, Sweden, Rumania, Sevastopol, Moscow, St Petersburg	even			

Christmas change of address good from 12/20-1/5

Mark Luedi Route 1, Box 351 D, Honor Michigan 49640

Deadline for winter 1903 will be 1/4 mailand 1/3 phone, spring 1904 is 1/19 phone, 1/20 mail

Press (most of which will be on next page)

FRance-Italy: Passed any good letters lately? I guess it is true that you cant teach an old dog new tricks or Paul Rauterberg "principals".

Russia-Austria: See John? No movement. I hope you kept your end of the bargain.

Rome-London: Am I still your biggest potential enemy? Really? I'd be flattered if I wasnt laughing so hard.

Writers Cramp press (continued)

- France-Austria: Since I lie in my letters, a letter of mine which a certain Italian player might pass would be totally worthless because I can't tell the same story twice!
- Edinburgh-GM: I thought Bob spelled his name olsen, not olson?
- GM-Edinburgh: Who cares what Bob does, I'm the boss here and he will have to change his name accordingly to reflect the way it should be spelled; my way.
- France-Italy: I wouldn't ally with you if you were the last Italian on earth!
- Turkey-Russia: As long as that tugboat stays docked that's a big 10-4 good buddy.
- France-Turkey: Hold tight Muffin, I'm commiiiiinnng!
- Turkey-France: I'd be liberated alot earlier if you could keep Germany & Russia from each other's throats.
- France-England: I knew I liked something about you, you never passed any of my letters or Meinel's
- Honey-Muffin: Time for a sports quiz, I know you like sports, right! OK
- Q: What do the following have in common: Johnny Unitas, Joe Namath, & Paul Rauterberg
- A: Three things---
- 1) They were all great passers.
 - 2) They were all very proud of their passing accomplishments and liked to perform before large crowds of people.
 - 3) They're all washed up, finished, done, kaput.
- France-Germany: See I was right, Paul couldn't make it past 1903 without his itchy little fingers passing on mail!
- Turkey-Austria: Rauterberg is a letter passing son of a bitch and the very least you can do is to suicide out against him. Die in a worthy cause because you will surely die anyway.
- Rome-World: Let's run a poll: which is worse? Letter passing of which I am gleefully guilty, or crossgaming, as it is represented here by Jim Meinel. I'm sure all of you have noticed Jim's change in attitude towards me since I stabbed him in Cheesecake's 1981 HC twelve weeks ago. Isn't that a strange coincidence?
- France-Russia: Now you know better!
- France-Turkey: Thank God you don't pass letters or the rest of the guys would have wet dreams!
- GM-France: I remember your letters from 82 AC and they were purely PG, how bout sending me a sample of the stuff you send olsen, I could use a few cheap thrills.
- Turkey-Italy: I can't believe you'd pass one of Meinel's letters to Jordan and then call Jim up to GLOAT about it. Do you think that was cute? Do you think that was clever? Do you think I haven't pointed out to Jordan how you set him up by deliberately goading Russia into attacking him? With friends like you who needs enemies?
- France-Austria: Remember my motto: If he passed a letter to you, you can bet he's passing your letters to others!
- Olsen-Hobby Dictionary Custodian: Please tear out the pages with the following pairs of words: ally-enemy, ethical-lowlife, and send them to Rauterberg. I'll pay the postage.
- Olsen-RRRRusnak: Please, please note. It's Olsen not Olson. Danish abbreviation, not Swedish. Pull that again and I'll have the HDC tear out the page with the definition "surly" and send it to you.
- Rusnak-OlsEn: First of all who or what is this HDC, another of the east coast clerical staff that rejoices in trying to be important. Do you really think I would care what anything associated with the ecc had to say? However since you have whined and whimpered, the \$10.00 didn't hurt either, so often I will make an attempt to get it right from here on out. Now all you need worry about is Turkey.
- Jimbo-Paul: Hey remember that time in Tricky Woo when I passed my entire file of your letters to another player? My attitude is; if you can't beat em, join em.
- Turkey-Italy: Pass this one around; NNNNYYYYYYYAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!!!!!!!
- Turkey-Board: Watch out for me now. I've journeyed to Flushing to stand close to the fire that burns at the heart of Dipdom and I'm ready for anything.
- France-GM: Forget the game! We now have new added excitement- send a letter to Milwaukee and guess it's final destination.....Flushing, Wichita, Anchorage etc. Can we start a pool?
- GM-France: You can start whatever your little heart desires, just make sure that I get my 75% of the proceeds, after all we do want to be fair about this.
- GM-all: If you people are going to waste my time typing up assorted charges and counter charges how about something entertaining like assorted stories of rancid sex lives with whatever, c'mon, give me something worth typing.

Writers Cramp late order update and one last piece of press, all players please adjust accordingly

Russia A galicia (dislodged)-budapest, A RUMANIA support A galicia-budapest others remain same as a result the Austrian move of trieste-budapest does not succeed and should be underlined

Rome-Paris: Speaking of unethical practices Kathy, Pat Perkel plays in another game with me; one in which you are not involved. He says you told him that "I was planning to set him up" This interference in a game your not playing is unjustifiable, and you owe me an apology. Lie about me all you want in games we're in together; stay the fuck out of games your not involved with.

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Austria/Fowers A bulgaria-RUMANIA, A BUDAPEST support A bulgaria-romania, A galicia-UKRAINA
 F greece-BULGARIA south coast

England/Lischett A FINLAND-norway, F north sea support A finland-norway (dislodged)
 F london-WALES, F channell-IRISH SEA

France/Heinowski F spain south coast-MID ATLANTIC, F irish sea-LIVERPOOL, A portugal-SPAIN,
 A belgium (dislodged) support german A holland, F brest-CHANNELL

Germany/Kiersz A HOLLAND support A ruhr-belgium, A ruhr-BELGIUM, A KIEL support F denmark
 F DENMARK supprt F hego-north, F helgoland bight-NORTH SEA

Italy/Langley A apulia-TUNIS, F IONIAN convoy A apulia-tunis, A SERBIA sup aus A bul-romania
 F AEGEAN SEA support austrian fleet greece-bulgaria

Russia/Wall F SWEDEN-finland, F NORWAY support german F helgoland-north sea,
 F SEVASTOPOL support A romania, A romania (destroyed) support A warsaw-galicia
 A warsaw-GALICIA

Turkey/Meier F CONSTANTINOPLE-bulgaria ec, A SMYRNA support F ankara-con, F ANKARA-constan

Supply center chart for winter 1902

<u>Austria</u>	vienna,romania, bulgaria, greece, budapest	+1,	<u>England</u>	edinburgh, london	-2
<u>France</u>	home, spain, portugal, liverpool	+1	<u>Germany</u>	home, belgium,holland, denmark	+1
<u>Italy</u>	home, trieste, serbia, tunis	+2	<u>Russia</u>	home, sweden, norway	+2
<u>Turkey</u>	home				

Deadline for winter 1902 is 1/3 phone, 1/4 mail, deadline for spring 1903 is 1/19 phone, 1/20 mail

Press:

Italy-Turkey: Thanks for the support last season. Maybe next time you'll let me know about it in advance....Hmmmum?

Kibitzer-GM: What are the odds an Kettman outlasting Meier? (Zero now)

Vienna-Moscow: I thought I would return your kind visit to Galicia with a cordial stopover in Ukraina. Dont worry, the army want stay there long. They have raping and pilleging to accomplish.

No dateline: Let us of the Balkan region wipe the Austro-Hungarian stain off the map, It's not such a big job. 10,000 Janitors & a torrent of ammonia could do the job. A few score thousand Russian, Italian, & Turkish jackboots can also do the job. The map is so untidy with them on it. ICK!

GM-All: During the summer of 1901, specifically the phone deadline, I called Kettman for his orders, got put on hold and the eventually either hung up on or cut off. I tried a couple of other times however there was no answer so I called Andy as a standby. A couple of days later I received a letter from Mike Kettman dated 12/1 resigning this game. The reason he gave for resigning was that he was offended by my beleifs and writings about drunk driving. That is Why Andy Lischett is the new England, thank you Andy.

Late Press (actually on time but I planned badly on page 8) for Cosmic Dip (GREYHOUND)

Paul-RRRRusnak: In retaliation for your naming this game after a clique of cutthroat capatilist pigs, (why is every capatilist always considered a pig?) corpoarate criminals (why is everyone who can make it a criminal) and beuracratc belligerants, Im almost ready to rename one of your two games in Midlife Crisis: Solidarity in Syndicalism. This would honor your hero and mine, George Sorel. (Was he another thief operating under the banner of a social concience or moral duty to his fellow man or some other trash) A working class hero is something to be. (Unless it's a thief)

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- Austria/Filth/Barno A TRIESTE support A budapest-serbia, A budapest-SERBIA, F GREECE-IONIAN A rumania (destroyed) support A bulgaria, A bulg (destroyed) sup bud-serb
- England/Timelord/Lew A KIEL support F north sea-holland, F NORTH SEA-holland, A london-WALES F NORWAY-norh sea, F norwegian sea-CLYDE
- France/Chameleon/Burgess F Irish-LIVERPOOL, A SPAIN hold, A PICARDY support A burgundy-belgium A burgundy-BELGIUM, A HOLLAND support german A munich-kiel
- Germany/Zombie/Tighe A MUNICH-kiel, A RUHR support french A holland
- Italy/Hypntist/Landeros A BERLIN support german A munich-kiel, A TYROLIA-munich, F naples-IONIAN SEA, F TUNIS support F naples-ionian sea
- Russia/Warmonger/Winger A warsaw-SILISIA, A MOSCOW support A sevastopol, A ukraina-RUMANIA F SEVASTOPOL support A ukraina-romania, F DENMARK support english A kiel
- Turkey/Terrorist/Kane A serbia (dislodged) hold, F BLACK support russian A ukraina-romania F aegean-BULGARIA SC, A CONSTANTINOPLE support aegean-bulgaria, A arm-SMYR

Supply center chart for fall 1902, make that winter

Australia Home, serbia, greece, +2 England london, edinburgh, norway, kiel -1
France Home, spain, portugal, belgium, holland, liverpool +3 Germany munich even
Italy Home, Tunís, berlin +1 Russia Home, Denmark, Sweden, rumania +2
Turkey Home, Bulgaria -1

Austrian army in Rumania was destroyed because it was dislodged by the Warmonger
 Deadline for winter 1902 is 1/3 phone, 1/4 mail spring 1903 is due 1/19 phone, 1/20 mail
 Burgess COA, 100 Holden, Providence RI. 02908

Press

London: Unfortunately all my units are too busy to ignore Barno.

Germany-Turkey: Oh yes, this is just gangs of fun.

Timelord-Zombie: Hey, it wasn't just Star Trek, it was the one with the Nazis and you must be confused, why would I send you a 2-page letter.

Russian Romantic The tide it has turned, as red stabs the yellow
 proving again, he's a prick of a fellow
 a dastardy curr, with the skill of a turd
 and obviously not a man of his word

while I have kept truth as my banner
 and am a gentleman player, a fellow of manner
 with attack straight forward and defensive skill
 I've redefined Gordon Liddy's favorite word will

GM-Timelord: If you want this one over, it is a winter adjustment and due 1/4 mail, 1/3 phone

Cosmic Diplomacy (Greyhound just gave in) 1983 Irao8 Fall 1905

- Austria/Wall/Warmonger A galicia-BOHEMIA (BOOM), A venice-TUSCANY, A tyrolia-VENICE, A serbia-RUMANIA, F ADRIATIC support A tyrolia-venice
- England/Ellis/Hypnotist A YORKSHIRE-edinburgh, F NORWAY-sweden, F NORTH SEA-holland
- France/Amoeba/Kaplan F LONDON (1) hold, F Spain sc (1)-WEST MED, A PORTUGAL (0) hold, A GASCONY (0) hold, A BELGIUM-holland (1), A burgundy (3)-MUNICH
- Germany/Chameleon/Hanson F HOLLAND support eng F north-belgium,, F EDINBURGH hold, A SWEDEN hold A livonia-WARSAW, A PRUSSIA support A livonia-warsaw, A SILISIA-munich A munich-burgundy (dislodged)
- Italy/Zombie/Luedi A naples-ROME, A APULIA sup A nap-rome/ see COA in WRITERS CRAMP
- Russia/Filth/Becker NMR A wassaw hold dislodged Filth is out
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An alternative, somewhat forgotten form of entertainment and sport.

Imagine sitting in your favorite chair, beer in hand, wife affectionately kneeling before you massaging your feet awaiting any chance to serve your whim; now the big question. What should I watch on television. Football, nah it's really getting kind of boring. (Especially if all you get to watch is a team as good as the bears) Basketball, Hockey, Baseball, Boxing, realistically I'm getting bored with all those as well. Realistically the most exciting thing in these is the one on one confrontations, especially when they turn into brawls of sorts, unfortunately even boxing is too slow in providing consistent entertainment in that area. Therefore I am urging you to consider turning to one other major somewhat unnoticed sport, that sport is all star professional wrestling.

All star professional wrestling your query, I thought that was all fake you say? Agreed it is indeed fake, however it is nothing more than a source of entertainment such as movies, books sporting events, theatre etc. Also I would add that all star wrestling has the best of all worlds as a source of entertainment. In movies as well as plays, books, great novels, etc there is usually the classic good vs. evil with evil starting out quickly and good making a comeback late in the show. Actually they are basically the same, the sheriff getting the outlaw, Rocky winning his title bout, the hero saving the girl, or Godzilla defeating the smog monster. Well professional wrestling provides us with the classic good vs. evil routine. Also in professional wrestling the climax is set up basically the same as anywhere else, the bad guy gets the lead early (usually through flagrantly violating the "rules") and then the good guy comes back in an arena (where you need only pay 10-20 bucks to see it happen) to kick the shit out of the bad guy. I've never been to the arenas however from what I understand things usually start slow then speed up with the bad guy breaking the rules and taking the lead only to see the good guy come back and kick ass. If you want sex, well you gotta remember this is a kiddie show to but there are still the women wrestlers. Watching two or four women in the ring throwing each other around boobs bouncing wildly is indeed a sight to be seen. It is as good as any catfight you happen to have seen when a couple of broads set their sights on the same guy. And in case you like something a little different, there are always the midgets.

Realistically I used to enjoy watching wrestling about 10-12 years ago and a few weeks ago I had nothing better to do so I decided to turn it on for the hell of it. Actually I was kind of surprised to see that all the same old faces of ten years ago were still there. There was Nick Bockwinkel (still the champ), there was Baron Von Raschky (he's a good guy now) there was Maddog Vichon, there was Bobby the Brain, alias Pretty Boy Bobby Heenan, alias the Weasel, and even Dick the Bruiser is still around pounding the shit out of anybody with anything (chairs bells, brass knuckles taken away from the bad guy) he happens to get his hands on. Some of these guys gotta be in their 50s by now, show me any other professional sport where the people can last until the age of 50. Granted these guys are basically nothing more than actors however they gotta be doing something halfway right if they can keep up the same act this long. Granted their beer-bellies are bigger than they were 10 years ago but by the same token they have been practicing for over 10 years so they really do have their parts down well. As a sidenote the very first time I met Rauterberg we were talking about it and he mentioned that Milwaukee was the home of midwestern wrestling and that before any of these people could get in the ring they had to join the actors guild. I guess Milwaukee should be known more as a city of fakes (think about the dippers it has to offer) rather than the city of beers.

I guess the best part about these things are the interviews in which you get to see and hear just how much and why who hates who. Listening to Nick Bockwinkel talk about how he is going to teach Black Jack Lanza a lesson for picking on Pretty Boy Bobby Heenan was really rather entertaining. (Lanza (a former member of the Family (a group of Bad guys managed by Bobby Heenan) that had been thrown out or quit and had proceeded to beat the shit out of Bobby Heenan) The Lanza came out and mentioned how he would be happy to let Bockwinkel try to get even since the title was on the line and he wanted a shot at it anyway. He also mentioned how he would once again grab Pretty Boy Bobby Heenan and drag him in the ring after he beats Nick Bockwinkel and then make sure he would never be called pretty boy again. I also got to see the tapes of how Mr Sihito (needless to say, the Japanese contingent) while presenting Hulk Hogan an award for winning a Japanese tournament take the trophy and smack the Hulk over the head with it continually as hard as he possibly could. The hulk was in miserable shape and hospitalized in critical condition, within a month however the Hulk was back to kick the

shit out of Mr Sihito. Got to listen to another interview where Mad dog Wichon talked about growing up in the slums of Algeria and how he had to eat out of garbage cans as a kid to survive. This had made him tough enough to get even for his partner (Baron Von Rashky who had been blindsided by Dr. Dave Shultz, realistically Von Rashky is probably on vacation) and to end the career of Dave Shult. Since Shultz and Mr Sihito are tag team partners, guess who is teaming up with the Maddog, none other than Hulk Hogan. Actually how these guys can keep a straight face while giving these interviews is beyond me however they can do it and they are really rather entertaining. Though one of the best interviews I did get to see was by Gentleman (hes no gentle man) Valiant who while talking about an upcoming match with Dick the Bruiser really did break up and start laughing on camera.

Actually I cant in all honesty tell you that watching all star professional wrestling will change your life but I can say that it is entertaining. I really enjoy it more then I enjoy watching some of the other "pro" sports that are on TV. I could even say that it could well be some form of another man's version of a soap opera considering all the plots and characters that have been around for at least 10 years, most likely alot longer. So next time your sitting around and you happen to notice that it's on consider calling you wife (or girlfrined, both if you really got guts and carisma) have them bring you another drink, continue to massage your feet and turn on all star professional wrestling.

Announcement of sorts, extremely important even.

On Saturday January 28 I will once again be hosting another ftf (or Rusnak-Con if you wish) for all of you interested in attending. If so I would appreciate some notice of who and how many happen to be coming, contact me at 312-598-4708, or write to 8002 S. Nagle, Burbank Ill 60459. Also there will most likely be a policy meeting (drinking session) on Friday the 27th for anyone interested in showing up a day early. Last time Friday night was more fun than Saturday consideri we sat up and shot the shit till about 6:00 AM. Anyone interested in coming on Friday should let me know in advance and come after about 8:30 PM.

Also in a conversation with Kathy Byrne she had mentioned she might try to make it here. I am asking the others from the midwest to let me know if we are willing to allow a member of the east coast clique to one of our cons. Granted Kathy is both well liked and respected in the hobby but is she really good enough to make a midwestern con. Sorry Kath but being realistic ther will have to be a vote before we could allow one from your neck of the woods to join us. Needless to say any midwestern people are more then welcome.

Has anyone out there ever heard of a game called strato-matic-baseball. Basicly it makes up computer print outs of the previous season in baseball and then through rolling dice the players can more or less try to reenact the season. In High school and through and even after college we had a league going here in Chicago and it was really rather enjoyable. While I doubt it could be postaly I would really be interested in setting up a local league for anyone interested. I think it could be enjoyable and if I'm wrong well there are always the local bars.

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