

WHY ME ?

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Since this is #21 does that mean my 'zine has come of age? Oh well, I try to put a little humor in. I sure remember how important it was for me to turn 21! Booze, voting, booze, credit, booze....you know.

What's happening this issue: First, the demo has ended. This lets me open another game. That means I have openings in WM #11 still, and now openings in WM #12. So, how about some plugs from the other publishers that read this? Huh, pretty please?

I don't have much else to say as this weekend is really going to be busy! Besides getting this out, I have to run the Worlds at War diptourney. And, I have to work a few hours on Sat!

Game openings status: The blind game has 7 people interested (see P3) so that looks like it will get going. I've worked up my own set of rules for this based on some others I've seen. It should be fun!

WM #11 Has 4 signed up; Steve Heeley, Don Ditter, Kevin Turner, and Bernie Oaklyn. 3 spots left.

WM #12 has none signed up so far. 7 spots left
anybody want in? Send me your Gamefee.

Why doesn't anybody write anything for me? I have not received an article from any of you for the second straight month. What's the matter, you want this to go warehouse? How come all the other 'zines get all the stuff they do? I want you to write something for me and do it now! Payment is 3 free issues for a full page or more. I'll even pay 1 free issue for something brief (a puzzle, etc) The 'zine will only go the direction that you, my readers, want it to go. So please.....

Mrs K gets into the act! The puzzle on page 9 was done by my wife. Her comments: "I only hope that doing this puzzle frustrates you guys as much as I'm frustrated listening to Diplomacy talk all the time".

PLUG DEPT: A new 'zine arrived here this month, The Voice of Doom. Bruce Linsey, 71 Hudson Terrace Apts., Newburgh, N.Y. 12550 is the person responsible for this one. It is done on photo-offset (which I envy since I can't afford it!), and was 12 pages long. Now it is too soon to judge a new 'zine until I have seen more than a few issues, but I do know that Bruce is one of the most enthusiastic people I have ever met. Subs are 10/\$4.50. Gamefees are \$3.00 plus a \$3.00 refundable deposit to insure against dropping. Overall this is a neat looking new 'zine, and we need some newblood in the hobby.

Brutus Bullitin is running a regular dip game with 10 day deadlines in a subzine, The Canal Dregs. Jack Frost is the GM of this and he is at RR 4, box 138B, Lockport, Ill 60441. It was not stated as to whether the gamefee goes to Jack or John Michalski, but I'll assume from the way this was sent that you send it to Jack.

John is also running a two week deadline game, and a blind "madman" game (six players, 1 random, limited knowledge), gamefee \$3 + sub or \$3 without sub. Optional sub at \$2/\$4. Send money for this to John Michalski, Rt 10 Box 596 Q, P.O. Box, Ill 60441.

1978 Icv Youngstown Summer 1906 GM:Karl Schuetz
 Austria: A Vie & A Clu retreat OTB, China: A Omo And F Ecs retreat OTB.
 France: A Bur retreat OTB.
 Fall 1906 India, Italy & Russia forge ahead
 Austria(c.d.) No units
 China(Ricci) N.M.R. F Yel, F Scs, A Pek, A Han, F For, A Ann all hold
 England:(Stimmel) F Wms-Mor, F Eng-Bre, F Spanc-H, F Den-H, F Iri-NAO.
 F MAO(s)F Eng-Bre, F Nth-Eng, F Tim-Jav
 France(c.d.) F Bre-H (ann), A Pic, A Gas, A Mar all hold
 Germany(Schleinkofer) A Sax-Mun, A Ruh-Bur, A Pos-H(dis-Ber, OTB),
 A Bur-Par, F Bel-H
 India(Tucker) F Bob-Eio, A Tha-Cam, F Mal-Jav, A Vit(s)A Bum-Sik,
 A Bum-Sik, A Sid-Ira, F Bor(s)Jap F Ecs-Scs(N.S.O.), A Sai(s)
 A Tha-Cam, F Gos(s)A Sai
 Italy(Decker)A Tun-Sah, F Tyr-wms, A Bag-H, F Ion-Tun, F Aeg(s)F Bulsc-
 -Con, F Ems(s)A Syr-Smy, A Tri-H, F Bulsc-Con, F Per(s)A Bag,
 A Syr-Smy, F Som-Goa
 Japan(Heeley) F Man, F Ecs, F Phi, F Soj, F Hon all hold. Orders that
 were received were not usable as they were conditional on the
 retreat of the Chinese F ECS but did not provide for it being
 retreated OTB. On conditional orders you must cover ALL the
 possibilities.
 Russia(Schiwautz) A Vie-Boh, A Ser-Clu, A Gal-Sil, A Pru-Pos, A Arm-
 Ank, A Skg-Kan, F Vla(s)Jap F Soj-Kor(nso), A Clu-Vie, F Bal(s)
 A Pru-Pos, A Ira-Tur, A Omo(s)Jap F Man, A Sev-Ira
 Turkey(Hyatt) F Con(s)F Smy(dis-Bla, OTB), F Smy(s)F Con (ann),
 A Ank(s)F Con

Supply Center Chart....

Austria: Clu, Yel	0	remove 2 out!
China: Home, For, Vla, Mar, Omo, Yel, Scl	4	remove 2
England: Edi, Lvp, Lon, Ire, Nwy, Den, Por, Bor , Mor, Spa, Bre	10	build 2
France: Bre, Yel, Mar, Spa, Mor	1	remove 3
Germany: Home, Hol, Bel, Par	6	build 1
India: Home, Bum, Tha, Joh, Cam, Jav, Cey, Bor, Sai, Vit	12	build 3
Italy: Home, Tri, Gre, Bul, Tun, Per, Egy, Eth, Yem, Bag, Con, Smy	15	build 2
Japan: Home, Phi, Kor, Man	6	build 1
Russia: StP, Mos, War, Sev, Swe, Pos, Rum, Kar, Bud, Ser, Ira, Oms, Skg, Vie, Clu, Omo Vla	17	build 5
Turkey: Ank, Clu, Smy	1	remove 1

Deadline for Winter 1906 and spring 1907 is November 10th, 1979 . As a lot of builds, removals, etc are due this turn a seperation of seasons will be granted by any one request. Also, I have had a standby come forward. The only position of any importance is China. So, will Tony Watson, 201 Minnesota St., Las Vegas, Nevada 89107 send orders for it.

The Gold Diplomacy Units....a puzzle submitted by John Kador
 The wealthiest Diplomacy player in the world commisioned a solid gold Diplomacy set to be made by an artesian. He was delighted with the results, solid gold armies and fleets, but he was concerned whether he had been stabbed by the artisian, i.e., whether all the gold he was billed for showed up in the units. As it happens, he received eleven gold units numbered 1 to 11. Ten of the units are solid gold all of the same weight. One unit contains a base metal which makes it differ in weight either 10 grains lighter or 10 grains heavier than genuine units you are given a balance scale and a 10 grain weight. Using the scale two times only, find a method to identify the false unit and tell whether it is heavy or light. (continued next page)

1978 IS DEMO Winter 1984
 Austria: A Ven ret OTB, remove A Vie
 England: Builds F Lvp, F Lon, A Edi
 France: Builds F Bre
 Italy: F Mar ret OTB
 Russia: A Rum ret to Sev, remove F Bal
 Turkey: Build A Con

SPRING 1905 Ho Hum...
 Austria:(Harmon) F Aeg-Bul(sc), A Ukr-Rum, A Ser(s)A Ukr-Rum, A Tri-Bud
 England(Sergeant) F Swe-Bal, F Kie-Hel, A Den-Kie, A War(s) A StP-Lvn, A Sil-Gal, A StP-Lvn, A Fin-StP, F Nth(c)A Edi-Den, F Lon-Eng, F Lvp-Iri, A Edi-Den, F Wes-Tyrs, F Tun(s)F Wes-Tyrs
 France(Jones) F Bre-Mid, F Mar-Lyo, F Sap(sc)-Wes, A Gas-Mar, A Tyr-Ven, A Boh-Tyr
 Italy(Schiwautz) A Ven(s)AUS A Tri(otm), A Rom(s)A Ven, F Nap(s) Tur F Ion-Tyrs(nso)
 Russia(Schuetz) A Sev(s)A War (imp/nsu), A War(s)A Sev (nsu/imp)
 Turkey(McLendon) F Ion-Adr, F Gre-Aeg, A Rum-Ser(dis-ann), F Bla-Sev A Bul(s)A Rum-Ser, A Con(s)A Bul
 Russia(I forgot one!) A Mos-H (uno)

And now.....The conclusion. A concession to England passes.

Fall 1905
 Austria(Harmon) A Ser-Gre, F Aeg(s)A Ser-Gre, A Rum-H(dis)A Bud(s) A Rum
 England(Sergeant) F Iri-Mid, F Eng(s)F Iri-Mid, F Tyrs-Ion, F Tun(s) F Tyrs-Ion, F Nth-H, F Hel-H, A Den-Pru, F Bal(c)A Den-Pru, A Kie-Ber, A StP-Mos, A Lvn & A War(s)A StP-Mos, A Gal-Bud
 France:(Jones) A Boh-Vie, A Tyr(s)A Boh-Vie, A Mar-Tus, F Mid-Naf, F Lyo(c) A Mar-Tus, F Wes-H
 Italy(Schiwautz) A Ven-Pie, A Rom-Tus, F Nap-Ion
 Russia(Schuetz) N.M.R. A Sev-H, A Mos-H(dis)

Final Supply Center Chart

Austria: Bud, Tri, GRE, Ser, Y/L	4	even
England: Home, Bel, Nwy, Swe, Den, Hol, Kie, Ber, War, StP, Tun, MOS	14	Build 1(WINS!)
France: Home, Por, Spa, Mun, VIE	7	build 1
Italy: Home	3	even
Russia: M/S , Sev	1	remove 1
Turkey: Home, Bul, G/L , Rum	5	even

The concession to England passed as follows. 4 yes, 1 not voting (counts as Yes), 1 NMR (counts as Yes)

GM comment: Since the game ended this turn I decided to run both of the last two seasons. Overall I was pleased with this game, but it was not as competitive as I would have liked a demonstration game to be. This in no way detracts from Bob Sergeants Victory, he earned it! But, a group of good players should have been able to resolve their own differences and try to stop the apparent vir er. Obviously they were unable to do so. If any of you wish to send me end game statements I'll publish them next issue. Also, our analyst didn't get to send me anything this time so that explains the lack of that.

Year by Year Chart	'01	'02	'03	'04	'05	
Austria	5	5	6	4	4	
England	5	8	10	13	14	Wins after Fall '05
France	5	5	5	6	7	
Germany	5	4	1	-	-	
Italy	5	4	4	3	3	
Russia	4	3	3	2	1	
Turkey	4	5	5	6	5	

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1978 IS continued
Player Chart

GM: Lee Kendter, Sr 'azine: Why Me

Austria: Leland Harmon
England: Robert Sergeant
France: Jerry Jones
Germany: Fred Hyatt
Italy: John Machir (resigns fall '02) William Schiwautz
Russia: Jim Diehl (resigns fall '01) Karl Schuetz
Turkey: Steve McLendon
That about wraps it up folks. I hope you enjoyed it.

79FD Winter 1901 Time to build more war machines GM: Sr
Austria(Hyatt) Build A Bud
England(Schleinkofer) Build F Lon
France(Pierce) Build F Bre, A Par
Germany(Howe) Build A Mun, A Kie, F Ber
Italy(Hardisty) N.B.R. GM builds F Nap (standby listed below)
Russia(Fristrom) Build A StP, A War
Turkey(Fritter) Build F Smy, F Ank
Deadline for Spring 1902 is November 16th, 1979.
Standby for Italy is; Ed Tucker, 302 Thomas Jefferson, Rolla, MO 65401
Press: Vienna: HELP! I'VE BEEN HAD !!!

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79CP Spring 1902 Do I detect some alliance changes? GM: Sr
Austria(Councilman) A Bul-Gre, F Alb(s)A Bul-Gre, A Vie-Tyr, A Tri-Ser
England(McGranaghan) F Nwy-Swe(dis-Nwg, Bar, OTB), F Nth-Ska, F Lon-
-Nth, A Edi-Yor
France(Benson)F Bre-Eng, F Por-Mid, A Spa-Gas, A Bur-Pic, A Mar-Bur
Germany(Cooper) A Den-Swe, F Ber-Bal, F Kie-Hol, F Hol-Bel, A Bel-Rub,
A Mun-Sil
Italy(Pierce) A Tyr-Pie, A Ven(s)A Tyr-Pie, F Nap-Tyrs, F Tun-Wes
Russia(English)A Ukr-H, F Rum-Bul(ec), F Sev-Bla, A Fin(s)F StPnc-Nwy,
F Swe(s)F StPnc-Nwy, F StPnc-Nwy
Turkey(Pilant) A Gre-Ser(dis-Ann), F Bla(s)A Smy-Arm, A Smy-Arm,
F Con(s)F Bla

Thanks to John Kador for sending standby orders for Turkey.
Deadline for Fall 1902 is November 16th, 1979
Press: Moscow-London: That shipment of provisions has not yet arrived.
We decided to set off on the long trek without them, but would appreciate if you would leave some of your supplies when you depart Norway.
Of course, the Vodka will be dropped off in Edinburgh, though I can't imagine those folks drinking the stuff-even I prefer Scotch. Peace, Comrade.

Moscow-Ankara: Hello, Hello.

London-Gadzooks! Pinch me and tell me this is "only" a game.

79C Winter 1904 Austria misses chance for survival! GM: Sr
Austria: NMR A Tri ret OTB, France F Wes ret to Spa(sc), remove
A Tyr. Germany: Remove F Hol. Italy: Remove F Ven. Russia: Builds
A War, A Mos, A Sev. Turkey: Build A Con
Spring 1905 Russo-Turks still grinding away GM: Sr
Austria(Hardisty) N.M.R. no units
England(Harmon) F Bar-Nwy, F Ntn(s)F Bar-Nwy, A Bel-H, A Wal-H (nsu)
F Lon-H (uno)
France(Cooper*) A Bur-Pic, F Eng(s)A Bur-Pic, A Ruh-Bur, F Lyo-Mar,
F Spa(sc)(s)F Lyo-Mar
Germany(Frost) A Swe-Lvn, F Bot(c)A Swe-Lvn, A Mun-Ber, A Kie(s)A M-
-Ber, A Sil-Pru(dis-Mun, Boh, Gal, OTB)
Italy(Kelly) A Pie-Mar, F Tyrs-Lyo, F Wes(s)F Tyrs-Lyo

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79C

Russia(Hart) A Ber-Sil, A Pru(s)A Ber-Sil, A War(s)A Ber-Sil, A Nwy-Swe, F StP(nc)-H, A Mos(s)F StP, A Tri-Vie, A Bud(s)A Tri-Vie, A Sev-Rum, F Rum-Bla

Turkey(Michalski) A Alb-Ser, F Gre-Alb, A Apu-H, F Nap-Tyrs, F Ion-Tun, A Con-H

Deadline for Fall 1905 is November 16th, 1979

Press: Germany to anyone else: Did anyone ver hear of "stop the leader"?

* Joy missed again so Cooper takes over France

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78HR Winter '05 GM error. Germany still owned War last time so Russia had to remove 1. All players were notified.

England: A Bel ret-Hol. France build A Mar. Russia: Remove A Lvn, F Rum ret -Sev. Turkey: Build F Smy

Spring 1906 Oh this is fun to GM !

GM:sr

Austria(McLendon) A Sil-War, A Rum-Bud, A Ser-Tri, A Gre-H, F Aeg-Ion, F Ion-Tyrs, A Nap-Apu, A Rom(s)A Nap-Apu

England(Hart) F Nwy-Bar, F Bal-Bot, F Den-Bal, F Nth-Nwg, F Eng-Nth, F Kie-Ber(dis-Den, Hel, OTB), A Hol-Kie(dis-Ann) A Lvp-Yor

France(Hyatt) F Naf-Mid, F Mid-Iri, F Bre-Eng, A Bel-Hol, A Mun-Kie, A Ruh(s)A Bel-Hol, A Ber(s)A Mun-Kie, A Ven-Tyr, A Mar-Bur

Russia(Kovalcik) A Mos-War, A Gal(s)A Mos-War, F Sev-Rum

Turkey(Price) F Smy-Aeg, A Bul-Gre, A Con-Bul, F Bla(s)Rus F Sev-Rum

DEADLINE for Fall 1906 is November 16th, 1979

74 FI In fall 1912 Germany's move A Bur(s)A Mun was omitted. No one noticed this but our GM !

Winter 1912 Austria: Builds A Vie, A Tri. Germany: Builds A Ber, A Kie. Russia: A War retreats OTB.

Spring 1913

GM:R. Sergeant

Austria(Kelly) A Vie-Boh, A Tri-Ven, A Ven-Rom, A Pie-Mar, A War(s) Tur A Sev-Mos, A Ukr(s)A War, A Nap-H, A Tyr(s)A Vie-Boh, A Boh-Sil

England(Kissner) A Lvp-H, F Spa(sc)-Por

Germany(Von Ulrich) F Bal-Lvn, F Iri-Lvp, F Bre-Mid, A Bur-Mar, A Gas(s)A Bur-Mar, A Par-Bur, A Ber(s)A Sil, A Mun(s)A Sil, A Kie(s)A Mun, A Sil(s)A Mun

Russia(Brennick) F Edi-H, F Mid-Spa(sc), A Pru(s)Ger A Sil, A StP (s)Ger F Bal-Lvn

Turkey(Kendter, Sr) A Bul-H, A Sev-Mos, A Arm-Sev, F Con-Aeg, F Tun-Naf, F Wes(s)F Tun-Naf, F Lyo(s)Aus A Pie-Mar

The draw was defeated. There are propoals for a G-R-E-A-T, and a R-T-G-A draw. Please vote, not voting is no

DEADLINE for Fall 1913 is November 12th, 1979 to Bob

78IX winter 1904

Seperaeete winter, so how much can happen?

Austria(Jerry Muto)Build A Vie, F Tri Russia(Doug Hollingsworth)Even
England(Steve Decker)Build F Lvp Italy(John Kador) remove F Por
France(Russell Blau)Even Germany(Eu Tucker)Remove A Rur

French F Bre was left out of last turns moves. The votes are as follows-Concesion-Russia, 1 Yes, 1 No, 3 No Vote. A-E-R Draw, 1 Yes, 1 No, 3 No vote. A proposal for a A-R draw has been proposed, failure to vote is a no vote. Deadline for the spring 1905 moves is November 16, 1979. Orders on file for A, E, I. R.

781A

Fall 1907 England NMR F Bre (ret) OTB
Fred Hyatt knives again!

Austria (Konrad Baumeister) F Ion-H (Dis Ret Alb, Tyr, Tun), A Nap-H,
 A Apu-Ven, F Adr (sup) A Tri, A Tri (sup) Tur A Ser-Bud
 England (Cliff Hardisty) NMR F Mid-U, F Nth-U, A Nwy-U, F Wmd-U
 France (Phil Cooper) F Spa (sc) (sup) A Gas-Mar, A Gas-Mar, A Bre-Pic,
A Par (sup) A Bre-Pic
 Germany (Jim Heslin) A Bur-Par, A Pic (sup) A Bur-Par, A Mun-Bur, F Hol-H
A Stp-Mos, A Sil-H, A Den (sup) Eng A Nwy-Swe
 Russia (Ed Tucker) F Swe (sup) Eng F Nth-Den NSO, A Mos-Stp, A War-H, A Bud
Sup) Tur A Ser-Tri NSO (Dis, Ret Gal, OTB), A Vie (sup) Tur A Ser-Tri NSO
 Italy (CD) No Unis\$
 Turkey (Fred Hyatt) A Ser-Bud, A Rum (sup) A Ser-Bud, A Bul-Gre, A Con-
 Sev, F Bla (con) A Con-Sev, F Gre-Ion, F Aeg (sup) F Gre-Ion
 Austria--Yip, Tri, Ser, Ven, Rom, Nap, (Tun?)...Even*
 England--Home, ~~Yip~~, Nwy...Even (1 ANN)
 France---Par, Por, Spa, Mar, Bre...Build 1
 Germany--Home, Hol, Den, Bel, Stp...Even
 Italy----~~Nap~~...Out!
 Russia---Swe, War, Mos, ~~Spy~~, ~~Bud~~, Vie...Remove 1**
 Turkey--Home, Bul, Rum, Gre, Sev, Bud, (Tun?)...Build 2
 *Build 1 if F Ret-OTB (No Room to Build), **Even if A Ret-Otb. If Aus
 Ret-Tun, Aus Build 1 (No Room to Build), Turkey Build 1
 Will Roger Fritter, PO Box 8, OBRB, Glenn, Cal 95943. please standb
 for Englnd.

Moscow The Russian Govt' today shipped an order of direction finders for
 the British Fleet, High Govt' officials hope that with advanced Rus-
 sian technology the English Fleet can finally move in the right direc-
 tion, Deadline for the winter 1907/spring 1098 moves is November 16,
 1979.

781B

Fall 1907 (yep, that's right) Russia passes up a win a the
draw passes.

France (Muto) A Pie-Mar, F Bre(s) A Pic, F Mid-Eng, A Pic(s) A Gas-Bur,
A Gas-Bur
 Russia (Tucker) F NAO-Mid, F Eng-Iri, F Nth-Lon, F Hol-Bel, F Nwy-Nwg,
A Bel-Pic, A Bur(s) A Bel-Pic, A Mun-Tyr, A Boh-Vie, A Bud-Ser,
 A Gal(s) A Ukr-Rum, A Ber-Sil, A Mos(s) A Sev, A Sev(s) A Ukr-Rum
 A Ukr-Rum
 Turkey (Blau) A Arm-Sev, F Bla(s) A Arm-Sev, A Rum(s) A Arm-Sev (dis-Ann),
 F Aeg-Con, A Bul-Ser, A Tyr-Vie, A Tri(s) A Tyr-Vie, A Rom-Tus,
 A Ven(s) A Rom-Tus, F Tyrs-Lyo, F Tun-Wes, F Ion-Tun

The Russian/Turkish draw passed unanimously. I was a bit surprised as
 Russia had a guaranteed win this coming year.

Supply Center Chart Fall '07 (last season was incorrectly dated)
 France: Home, Por, Spa 5 even
 Italy: ~~Tun~~ 0
 Russia: Home, Bud, Nwy, Swe, Lvp, Edi, Lon, Den,
 Ber, Bel, Hol, Kie, Mun, Rum 17 build 1
 Turkey: Home, Bul, Gre, Ser, Tri, Vie, Rom, Ven, Nap, Tun 12 even

Year by Year chart

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07
Austria:	4	2	1	0	-	-	-
England:	5	4	3	1	0	-	-
France:	5	4	5	4	5	5	5
Germany:	4	5	5	6	4	0	-
Italy:	4	4	4	4	3	1	0
Russia:	5	8	9	11	13	16	17 2 way draw
Turkey:	5	6	7	8	9	12	12 2 way draw

Player Chart on next page . I owe Muto, Tucker, & Blau \$1 dep.
 do you want credit or a check?

1978 IB Player Chart

Austria: Paul Hess (resigned F'03) C.D.

England: Fred Weidemeyer (Resigned Spr'03), Ron Kelly

France: Jerry Muto

Germany: Ted McDonald (Dropped Fall'02), Craig Reges

Italy: Jim Diehl (resigned Fall'02), Jerry Jones, C.D. F'06

Russia: Ed Tucker

Turkey: Russell Blau

My heartiest congratulations to Ed & Russell for a well played game.!

Press: The President of France wishes to thank all for a most enjoyable game, especially the GM for a well run game & such insightful headings as "more confusion in France".

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1901: should you play "neutral"?

Lee Kendter, Sr.

The first year of a Diplomacy game is one of the most critical. What happens then will influence the entire early part of the game. So, the opening you use should be very carefully thought out.

There are 2 basic openings (with variations):

- 1) A neutral stance (making no openly aggressive moves)
- 2) An attack, or threat of one, on one of your neighbors.

Let's examine both points of view.

A neutral stance can often be your best bet. Why? If you are unsure of any situation with your neighbors, a non committal set of moves allows you to see what has happened, and leaves your options open. This often gives you strong negotiating strength after Spring 1901 with a couple of neighbors. Say you're England and Germany has attacked France (A Mun-Bur). Now both of them will want you as an ally. Germany will want you to assist in the attack so it doesn't get too bogged down. France will want you to assist him so he doesn't go under. You can negotiate with both from a position of strength! This has worked well for me on many occasions. Let me give you an example. In a recent game of mine, England wanted to get France. He asked me to move Mun-Bur, (I was Germany) but I refused. I did offer to support England into Belgium so he would be in a strong position against the Frenchman. Well, he moved F Lon-Eng. This immediately brought a lot of correspondance from France to me. He offered to give me Belgium so that the English player would not get two builds. I accepted and ended up with 3 builds in fall '01 ! This put me in great shape and endeared me to the Frenchman. Result; a strong ally and a very good position early in the game.

Are there any drawbacks to the neutral opening? Of course! If you play aggressive you may net an extra center or two. (I once saw a freind of mine get 4 builds as Russia in fall '01 !).

However, let's also examine the chances you take by using that aggressive opening. Let's use England again as our example. Your move are: F Lon-Eng, A Lvp-Yor, F Edi-Nth. (there are many variations of this of course). This is an anti-French move. It threatens Brest and puts you in better shape against Belgium. BUT, suppose Russia has moved A Mos-StP, and plans to keep you out of Norway. You can't do anything about it because you have no F Dwg to support yourself. Furthermore, suppose that Germany and France are really allied! They will keep you out of Belgium and Brest. Now you get NO builds and are in a desperate situation.

Now I'm not saying that you should never play aggressive. It often makes the game more intersting if you do so. But be very sure of your neighbors intentions (as much as you can in dippy) before you go out on a limb. Read all correspondance very carefully and base your decisions on how much truth you can read between the lines. If more than the usual doubt exists, the neutral play is often your best choice.

A good Diplomacy players philosophy: Play 'em one at a time.

PRINT A WORD

We did one of these once before and it was well received. I decided I would do another only if we could come up with something different. Well, I think we did! This one has the names of our subbers, traders, and players. So, in a sense, you are looking for yourself! Names can be vertical, horizontal or diagonal. Frontwards or backwards.

F N I L S E H W A V F I L L E H C T I M
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| BAUMEISTER | DITTER | HOLLINGSWORTH | MICHALSKI | SCHUETZ |
| BENSON | DECKER | HOWE | MITCHELL | SERGEANT |
| BLAU | ENGLISH | HYATT | MORRIS | STIMMEL |
| BRAWNER | FRITTER | JONES | MORRISON | TUCKER |
| BRENNICK | FROST | KADOR | MUTO | TURNER |
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CORRECTION: In the puzzle on page 9, DECKER was misspelled.
It came out as DECKNR. My apologies.

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