

WHY ME ?

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Taking a long look down the road.....

I've given this a lot of thought lately and it's with sadness that I am announcing the official 'winding down' of WHY ME ?. I'm afraid that I can no longer see myself doing this every 4 weeks, and enjoying it. Now, let's discuss exactly what this means.

- 1) This zine will continue just as it has been going. I will not be changing the format. Articles, letters, or whatever will still be published. Of course, as the number of subbers declines the amount of material will decline with it.
- 2) I WILL carry all of the games to completion. Have no fear about that ! I simply won't open any more.
- 3) Non-playing subbers will be discouraged. I simply don't want to have to issue a bunch of refunds when the end comes.
- 4) Players may resub for less than 10 issue if they feel that thier game will terminate in less time, or they will be out soon. I'll not ask anyone to keep up a subscription if they don't need to.
- 5) Publishers are asked to not plug me.

A lot of factors went into this decision, most of them personal. I have really enjoyed trying to put out this 'zine and I think that I have accomplished my main goals. I have been punctual with every issue, and I have gone out of my way to be fair to my players. (you would never beleive how many poorly written orders I have had to contend with !) No gestapo treatment here folks; if I can understand it, and the intent is clear, I use it. In short, I've tried to make it enjoyable for you to play a game here.

But, everything must end sometime and that time is coming for WHY ME ? . However, please have no fear, you'll still have me to pick on for quite a while yet! (I estimate about two years)

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Gee, doesn't anybody out there read music? I made a horrible mistake last month on the cover. I meant to put the first couple of measures of 'Jingle Bells" on the staff at the bottom of the cover, but my staff ended up with 6 lines. (it's supposed to be 5) I must have not lined up my music stylus correct when I went over the staff a second time. Thus, i created an extra bottom line. I was really surprised when nobody noticed !

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Diplomacy hobby census.

Glenn Overby is putting together a hobbywide census and he needs the cooperation of all the publishers in the hobby. Glenn would like all publishers to send him thier mailing list by March 15, 1981. I am all for this worthwhile project and I hope the publishers will cooperate. Glenns address is; 23096 Tawas, Hazel Park, MI 48030.

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Brrrr..it's cold here in Philly! Today was around 8° when I first went out this morning. Besides that, all the streets in my area are solid sheets of ice from a snowfall we had a few days ago. I HATE the cold ! with a passion ! Phily usually doesn't get this bitter cold, so I will never get used to it. And three inches of snow here is a disaster because our city is so ill equiped to handle it.

1979 AD History Zine: Blade (till W'03), Why Me?.

GM: Lee A. Kendter, Sr.

Austria: Phil Cooper(Won), England: Karl Schuetz, France: Wayne Callahan, Germany: Daniel Loewenstern, Italy: Bill Hart, Russia: Kenneth Coppage(Dro W'03) Mike McGranaghan(res Sp '07) John Kador, Turkey: Vern Schaller (oops-Cellahan dropped W'08, CD till end -France)

Yer by year chart

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	
Austria	5	5	6	7	7	7	9	11	16	18	WINS
England	4	5	5	5	6	3	3	4	4	3	
France	5	6	7	7	8	9	7	2	1	1	
Germany	5	4	4	3	2	2	3	4	3	2	
Italy	5	4	5	5	6	7	8	11	9	9	
Russia	3	3	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	
Turkey	5	6	5	5	4	4	2	1	0	0	

BLIND GAMES Fall '08 is due for Blind 1. The A/G/F draw was defeated by one NO vote. It is re-proposed, not voting is a YES.
 Blind 2 has Fall '06 due. The concession to France failed. A draw of F/R is proposed and a F/R/I draw is proposed. Not voting is YES.
 DEADLINE for both of these games is Thur Feb 5th, 1981

1978 HR is over. The concession to Austria passed unanimously. A final wrap-up will appear in next issue. along with any end-game statements (breif please) Congratulations to Steve McLendon for a well played game.

1979 CP is over. The 4 way draw has passed. Thus, Aus-Eng-Fra-Rus all share in the victory. A wrap-up and end game statements if any will appear in next issue. Congratulations gentlemen !

1978FL, Fall 1908, GM--Art Schleinkofer, 3108 E st., Phila., PA 19134

Austria(Mooney)F Tyr-Lyo, F Ion(sup)Ita A Naf-Tun, A Tri(sup)A Tyo, A Tyo(sup)ITA A Pie, A Vie(sup)A Gal, A Bud-Rum, A Gal(sup)A Ukr-war, A Ukr-War A Sev(sup) A Mos, A Mos(sup)A Ukr-War
 England(Tucker)F Iri-H, F Nth-H, F Nwg-H, A Stp-Mos, A Lvn(sup)GER A Wa
 France(Schiwautz)F Tun-Wes, F Lyo-Tyr(Dis, ret-Spa\$sc), OTB), F Mid (sup)F Tun-Wes, A Bel-Bur, A Gas-H, A Mar-h
 Germany(Kendter, Jr)F Swe-H, A War(sup)Eng A Stp-Mos, A Pru(sup) A War, A Sil(sup)A Boh, A Boh-H, A Mun(sup)A Boh, A Hol-H
 Italy(Conner)F Aeg-H, F Nap-Tyr, F Tus(sup)Aus F Tyr-Lyo, A Rom-Ven, A Naf-Tun, A Pie(sup)AUS A Tyo

Aus--Home, Ser, Bul, Gre, Rum, Ank, Sev, Mos 10-Even
 Eng--Home, Nwy, Stp 5-Even
 Fra--Home, Bel, Por, Spa 6-Even
 Ger--Home, Hol, Den, Swe, War 7-Even
 Ita--Home, Tun, Smy, Con 6-Even

Press-- Germany-world--How's that for originality? Are we going to come up with any new moves soon?
 Rome-Europe--This is the dullest press I've ever seen! Come on, surely you have something to say!

Spring 1909 orders are due January 31, 1981. A 5-way draw has been proposed. Please vote on this with your orders, not voting counts as Yes.

1980 KL Fall 1901 Another NMR ! I hate to see games start this way

Austria(Quinn) F Alb-Gre, A Ser(s)F Alb-Gre, A Bud-Tri
 England(Pierce?) NMR F Nth-H, A Yor-H, F Nwg-Nwy (neutral orders)
 France(Parker) A Spa-H, F Mid-Por, A Par-Pic
 Germany(Melot) A Ruh-Bel, F Hol(s)A Ruh-Bel, A Kie-Den
 Italy(Landon) A Apu-Tun, A Ven-Pie, F Ion(c)A Apu-Tun
 Russia(Blau) A Liv-Swe, F Bot(c)A Liv-Swe, A Ukr-Rum, F Sev(s)A Ukr-Rw
 Turkey(Hart) F Ank-Bla, A Bul-Rum, A Con-Bul

Will Al Ronderos, 2401 Houma Blvd #220, Metairie, LA 70001 Standby for .
 Note that Vern Parker has taken over the French position.

Supply centers

Austria: Home, SER, GRE	5 builds 2
England: Home, NWY	4 builds 1
France: Home, POR, SPA	5 builds 2
Germany: Home, BEL, HOL, DEN	6 builds 3
Italy: Home, TUN	4 builds 1
Russia: Home, SWE, RUM	6 builds 2
Turkey: Home, Bul	4 builds 1

Winter 1901 is due Feb 6th, 1981

Press: Piedmont-Marseilles: An NMR on the first move makes people un-easy. Self-preservation takes precedent in such cases.

Napoli: The Italian 2nd marines landed on the north coast of africa this week, and proclaimed all of Africa to be the province of the new Ceaser, Tiberius I. The marines were reportedly having a good time as conquerers. So far they have burned 3 buildings and held one toga party. In anticipation of increased wine sales to the new conquered lands, Tiberius I (still crusing the Ionian sea in search of something to do) sent a special dispatch to the Italian 1st army in Venice ordering it to help with wine production in northwest Italy.

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 1980 CB Fall 1904 Germany & Turkey manage to hang on

Austria(Cummings) A Pie(s)A Tri-Ven (dis-Tyr, otb), A Tri-Ven, A Bud-Rum, F Adr(s)A Tri-Ven, F Alb(s)F Adr, A Gre(s)A Bul, A Bul(s)Rus F Bla-Con
 England(Ronderos) A Nwy-Fin, F Nwg-Nwy, F Stpnc-H, F Nth-Den, F Hel & A Hol (s)Fra A Ruh-Kie
 France(Ragsdale) A Ruh-Kie, A Bel-Ruh, A Bur-Mun, A Mar-Pie, F Mid-Wes, F Tyrs(s)Ita F Ion
 Germany(Kelly) A Ruh ret to Mun. A Den(s)A Kie, A Mun(s)A Kie(dis-Tyr, otb), A Kie(s)A Mun (dis/ann)
 Italy(Schleinkofer) F Adr ret to Ion. F Ion(s)Tur A Aeg-Gre(nso), F Apu(s)F Ion, A Tus(s)Fra A Mar-Pie
 Russia(Wilson) F Bla-Con, A smy(s)F Bla-Con (dis-Arm, otb), A Ank(s) F Bla-Con, A Ber(s)A Sil-Mun, A Sil-Mun, A Mos-Liv, D Bal-Swe
 Turkey(Hart) A Con-Smy, F Aeg(s)A Con-Smy

Supply Centers

Austria: Home, Ser, Gre, Bul, Ven, RUM	8 build 1 **
England: Home, Nwy, Hol, StP	6 even
France: Home, Spa, Por, Bel, KIE	7 build 1
Germany: Kie, Ber , Den	1 remove 1 (1ann)
Italy: Rom, Nap, Tun	3 even
Russia: Mos, War, Sev, Swe, Rum, Mun, Svy , BER, ANK, CON	8 build 1 **
Turkey: Con, Ank , SMY	1 remove 1

** = build 2 if a unit retreats OTB

DEADLINE for Winter 1904 and Spring 1905 is Feb 6th, 1981

Press: Ankara(russian) The Czar's southern front commander, Field marshall Rasputin Romanoff, smiled at the head of his fleet through the bosporus to seize the last citadel of Turkish resistance, the golden horn, the splendid city of Constantinople. "On to Spain" cried the FM.

1979 KQ Winter 1906 France builds A Par. Germany builds A Kie. Italy removes F Lyo & A Alb. Turkey no build received. (Walt, you made your build conditional on somebody elses removal and that is illegal. Builds and removals are simutainious) Also, I made an error last turn. The Tur f Wes failed to make Tyrs. However, all of you caught it. Spring 1907 East still fights east, west fights west

- France(Hart) A Par-Pic, A Bur-H, A Mar(s)A Bur, F Eng-Lon, F Mid-NAO, F Lvp(s)F Mid-NAO, F Spasc-Mid
- Germany(Perlmutter) F Cly-Lvp, F Nth-Bel, F Hol & A Ruh(s)F Nth-Bel, A Mun-Bur, A Kie-Mun, A Lon-H, F Nwy-Nth, F Swe-Nwy
- Italy(Cartier) A Tus-Ven, A Tyr-Vie
- Russia(Townsend) A Tri-Ser, A Bud(s)A Tri-Ser, F Sev-Rum, A Ukr & A Gal (s)F Sev-Rum, A Mos-Sev, F Bar-StPnc
- Turkey(Aucott) A Bul(s)A Ser, A Ser(s)Ita A Tyr-Tri(nso), F Ion-Adr, F Wes-Tyrs, F Rom(s)F Wes-Tyrs, A Rum-Sev, F Bla & A Arm(s) A Rum-Sev.

DEADLINE for fall 1907 is Feb 6th, 1981
 Press: Con-StP: Is this Smyrna/StPete or bust or can a reduction of tensions be accomplished ?
 DRAW VOTES: Concession to Germany= 4 Yes, 1 no. G R draw 4 Yes, 1 no
 A concession to Germany is again proposed. Not voting is YES
 A Ger/Tur 2 way draw is also proposed. Not voting is YES.

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 1980 AN Winter '04. Ita Bld F Nap. Ger Bld A Kie. Rus Bld A Mos **
 ** I made an error on this last turn but all of you caught it.
 Spring 1905 Some countries reverse direction again !

- Austria(CD) a Tyr-H
- England(Ditter) F Nwg-NAO, F Nwy-H, F Lvp-Iri
- France(Masters) A Spa-Bel, F Mid & F Eng (c)A Spa-Bel, A Pic & A Bur (s)A Spa-Bel
- Germany(Sergeant) A Lon-H, F Nth-Eng, A Den-H, A Mun(s)Aus A Tyr, A Boh-Vie, F Bel(s)F Nth-Eng(dis-Hol, OTB), A Kie-Ruh
- Italy(Ledder) A Ser-Bud, A Tri(s)A Ser-Bud, A Gre-Ser, F Alb-Gre, A Ven(s)Aus A Tyr, F Nap-Tyrs, F Aeg-H (uno)
- Russia(McLendon) F Rum-Sev, A Mos(s)F Rum-Sev, A Bud-Rum (dis/ann), A Ukr(s)A Bud-Rum, A Sil-Gal, A Pru-War, F Swe-H
- Turkey(Blank) F Bla(s)A Bul-Rum, A Bul-Rum, A Arm-Sev, F Con(s)F Bla

DEADLINE for fall 1905 is Feb 6th, 1981
 Press: Berlin-Paris: All that fire power just for Belgium ? And then what? You make it very difficult to trust you.
 Rome: The diary of Marco Polo has been found to quote the following truisms: 'He who serve meal to hungry bear likely to serve as next meal' 'A Serb in the hand is worth two in the Bulg" The first is be- lieved to have been written by Confucious while the second is undoubt- edly the work of a barbarian of unknown origen.
 Venice-Paris: A team of army doctors from Piedmont have discovered what they beleive to be a cure for leprosy. If you like, we will hand deliver some to Marseilles for testing.

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 1980 A Fall 1905 Is this game going anywhere ?
- Austria(Parker) A Tri-Ven, A Tyr(s)A Tri-Ven, A Bud-Rum, F Gre-Bulsc, A Ser(s)F Gre-Bul
 - England(Schuetz) A Yor-Hol, F Nth(c)A Yor-Hol, F Bot-Swe, F Lon-H, F Den-H (uno)(dis-Ska. OTB), F Hel-H (uno)
 - France(Schiwautz) A Bur-Mun, A Ruh(s)A Bur-Mun, A Gas-Bur, F Bel-Hol, F Wes-Tyrs, F Lyo(s)F Wes-Tyrs
 - Germany(Wilson) F Kie-Den, F Bal(s)F Kie-Den, A Sil-Mun, A Gal-Boh
 - Italy(Arnott) F Ion-Tun, F Tyrs(s)F Ion-Tun(dis-Nap, Ion, OTB), A Ven-H A Rom(s)A Ven

1980 A continued

Russia(Cooper) A Sev(s)A Ukr, A Ukr(s)A Sev, A Mos(s)A Liv-War, A Liv-War

Turkey(Hardisty?)NMR A Sev, F Tyrs both-OTB. F Aeg-H, F Bla-H, A Bul-H (dis-Con, OTB)

DEADLINE for Winter 1905 and Spring 1906 is Feb 6th, 1981

Standby for Turkey: Stev Cartier, box 7793, Riverside, CA 92513

Press: Berlin: I announce that I dcn't give two hoots (maybe one) about this game and the earliest postmarked letter I receive will give that person a puppett.

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1980 AE Fall 1905 England & France surge ahead !

Austria(Bates) NMR A Gal, A Bud, A Sil, A Ven all hold, F gre-OTB, A Ser-H (dis-Alb, Tri, OTB)

England(Conner) A Mos-Sev, A StP-Mos, A Pru-Ber, F Bal(s)A Pru-Ber, A Nwy-Swe, A Lon-Kie, A Hol(s)A Lon-Kie, F Nth(c)A Lon-Kie, F Hel(c)A Lon-Kie, F Nwg-H

France(Ditter) A Pie-H, F Apu-Adr, F Rom-H, F Lyo-Tyrs, F Ion-Aeg, A Tyr-Vie, A Bur(s)A Mun, A Ruh& A Mun(s)Eng A Lon-Kie

Germany(NMR) A Mun-OTB, A Ber-H(dis-Ann)

Turkey(Turner) A Ukr(s)A Rum, F Bla(s)A Rum, A Gre-Ser, A Rum(s)A Gre-Ser, A Bul(s)A Gre-Ser, F Aeg-Gre, F Eas-Ion

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Supply centers

Austria: ~~Vie~~, Bud, Tri, ~~Sev~~, ~~Gre~~, Ven 3 remove 2

England: Home, Nwy, Swe, Den, Hol, StP, War, Kie, BER, MOS, SEV 13 builds 3

France: Home, Por, Spa, Bel, Tun, Rom, Nap, MUN, VIE 11 build 2

Germany: ~~Nwy~~, ~~Sev~~ 0 out

Turkey: Home, ~~Sev~~, ~~Mos~~, Rum, Bul, GRE, SER 7 even

Standby for Austria: Jon Quinn, 632 Mohawk Dr., Lowell, IN 46356

Press: Turkey to Austria: Sorry

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1979 HD Fall 1908 Stalemate anyone ?

Austria(Hyatt) N.M.R. A War-H

England(Schleinkofer) F Spasc(s)F Mid-Wes, F Por(s)F Spasc, F Mid-Wes F NAO-Mid, F Eng(s)F NAO-Mid, F Nth-H, A Gas(s)F Spa, A Bel-Bur, A StP(s)Ger A Ukr-Mos

Germany(Howe) A Ukr-Mos, A Liv(s)A Ukr-Mos, F Bal-Swe, A Bur-Mun, A Gal-Vie, A Boh-Gal, A Sil(s)A Boh-Gal

Italy(Hardisty?)NMR A Mar, F Wes, A Pie, F Lyo, A Tyr, A vie, A Tri-H

Russia(Conner) A Rum(s)Tur A Mos-Ukr

Turkey(Kador) A Mos-Ukr, A Sev(s)A Mos-Ukr, A Bud-Gal, F Bla(s)Rus a Rum, F Naf(s)Ita F Wes, F Tyrs-H, F Ion-H, F Bulsc-H

DEADLINE for Winter '08 and Spring '09 is Feb 6th, 1981

Supply Centers

Austria: War 1 even

England:Home, Nwy, ~~Swe~~, Bre, Por, Bel, StP, Spa 9 even

Germany:Home, Par, ~~Sev~~, Den, Holm Swe 7 even

Italy: Home, Tun, Tri, Vie, Mar 7 even

Russia: Ser, Rum 2 even (no place to build)

Turkey: Home, Bul, Gre, Bud, Sev, Mos 8 even

Err, ahh, that's sure a lot of builds and removals !! All even !

Standby for Italy: Kathy Byrne, 42-34 Saull St, Flushing, NY 11355

Press: Russia-Turkey: Please take good care of Serbia for me !

Russia-Everybody: Doesn't anybody write press anymore

This month's letter pages have more (!) movie lists. I am really very surprised how much interest this has generated. I only hope we can get some feedback like this on some other subject. Why don't YOU send me a letter? You never know what will spark others to reply.

From Jack Masters.....

Listing ones favorite movies seems to have become a rather popular idea. So why not. In my opinion, three movies stand well above all the rest: East of Eden, The Treasure of the Sierra Madre, and The Comedian. Rounding out a top ten becomes a bit more difficult, but other movies that I value highly include: African Queen, The Graduate, Dr Strange-love, Evil Roy Slade, Cat Ballou, A Touch of Class, Blazing Saddles, and Cat on a hot Tin Roof. No musicals or science fiction flicks here for me. I certainly enjoy both of these types, but would never want to see something like Oklahoma or Star Wars twice. To me, the very best movies are based on novels by a quality author such as Greene, Faulkner or Hemingway and have a good blend of action and character development. The other type of movie for me is the first class satire of which Evil Roy Slade is the best. There is actually a cult of Evil Roy fans that scan all the late night listings for shwings of it on obscure UHF stations etc. and pass the word along to others. There is even a radio station in LA that always reminds it's listeners of when and where Evil Roy or it's sequal movie, The Brothers O'Toole, will be shown.

The two movies that were the biggest disapointments for me were JAWS and Travels with my Aunt. Both were based on excellent books but neither came close to capturing the essence of the book on the screen.

The movie that was almost was the Villian. The script for this was written with the intention for John Astin to play the title role. If he had of, it would have been superb. With Kirk Douglas instead, the movie was good--but came up short.

Fred Davis's list of best Motion Pictures.

A. Dramatic films. 1. Citizen Kane-1941, 2. Best years of Our lives-46
3. Gone with the Wind-1939, 4. Henry V-1947, 5. Streetcar Named Desire-1949, 6. Casablanca-1942, 7. Treasure of Sierra Madre-1948, 8. Inheri the Wind-1960, 9. A Man for All Seasons-1966, 10. The Lion in Winter-68
11. High Noon-1952, 12. All About Eve-1950, 13. Bridge over River Kwai-1957, 14. 2001-1962, 15. Viva Zapata-1951, 16. Harry & Tonto-1974, 17. The Sunshine Boys-1975, 18. Moulon Rouge-1953, 19. Caine Mutiny-54
20. Marty-1955

B. Comedies. 1. The Graduate-1967. 2. Born Yesterday-1951, Tight Little Island-1948, 4. The Great Dictator-1939, 5. Passport to Pimlico-1949, 6. Goodbye Columbus-1969, 7. The Captain's Paradise-1952, 8. Mr Roberts-1955, 9. The Marrying Kind-1952, 10. Some Like it Hot-1958, 11. Seven Year Itch-1955, 12. Arsenic & Old Lace-1942, 13. Sleeper-73
14. Life With Father-1947, 15. Play it Again Sam-1972

This was a list which I made up in connection with a motion picture poll conducted by GREATEST HITS, a British Dipzine published by Peter Birks, in 1976. I've made a few changes, mainly to increase the number of dramatic films from 15 to 20.

You'll note that most of my films are quite old. This is partially because we have gone to very few films in the past 8 years, since our son was born; and partially because I have no interest in seeing "X" rated movies, and rarely go to "R" rated ones. There's hardly anything worthwhile seeing today, with the prices they gcharge at the box office. A film has to be awfully good to get me to pay \$4 a head to see it. Of course, I go to all of the science-fiction ones, but I could not include "Star Wars" on a list of serious films. I could make up a special catagory for SF films, of course, but I think I've alraedy listed far too many films above.

Fred Davis

Letters...continued

From Brad Wilson

My 11 favorite films (in order)

1. M.A.S.H.,
2. Ordinary People,
3. Blazing Saddles,
4. Lo Cage Aux Folles,
5. Star Wars,
6. The Empire Strikes Back,
7. Being There,
8. Animal House,
9. The Pink Panther,
10. Murder by Death,
11. Nicholas and Alexandria

I've got something that might start another list craze. In the Book of Lists famous people list I've picked a group of all history to have to dinner. My personal list (and ask others to send theirs)

1. Wm Shakespeare,
 2. Bruce Sprinsteen,
 3. John Michalski,
 4. Donald Sutherland,
 5. S.I.Hayakawa,
 6. Napoleon,
 7. Winston Churhill,
 8. George Greenwood(my english teacher),
 9. Joachim Von Ribbentrop,
 10. Anton Chekov,
 11. Otto von Bismark,
 12. F. Scott Fitzgerald,
 13. Strom Thurmond,
 14. Nickolai Gogol,
 15. Niccolo Machiavelli
- and...5 people to have to tea (I couldn't quite stomach them at Dinner, but would like to talk to them. 1. Marx, 2. Hitler, 3. Bernie Oaklyn", 4. Ted Kennedy, 5. Mussolini

((interesting list Brad. I can think of a few people that I would enjoy having the chance to talk to such as; Abraham Lincoln, Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson, Richard Nixon and Diana Rigg (she is my all time favorite sexy lady !) (I cried when they took The Avengers (British TV series) off the air). Hey Brad, one final thing; next time don't send your letter on the back of your orders !!!))

And, on another subject....from Dave Carter

Thanks for printing the article. I suppose it is obvious that I come across as one who gets enjoyment out of reading fake 'zines. I got the fake Retaliation and PEARL and even a fake Infidel. Lastly, today I got a fake Murd'ring Ministers (or it's a real MM but with a funny letter column-funny peculiar) ((it's a fake dave))

I do know that Whitestonia has been faked and that Nick Russon earlier faked Infidel on a 2 page Mimeo (?). I need a copy of the Whitestonia to fill up my collection. The Cheesecake that I mentioned was not a fake but was put out by Andy Lischett for a change of pace.

If you do get a chance to get your thoughts in order I would be interested in hearing the 'no' side of fake 'zines, especially in light of all the fakes popping up this month.

((Dave, I will try to get my thoughts together in the near future on the negative side of fakes. For the most part I enjoy them when it is obvious that it is a fake issue, but I dislike the deceptive ones that could lead you to think it was real. Also, there was a fake that I received yesterday whose name I won't even mention because I was mentioned in it as being an alias for 'Bernie Oaklyn'. Even if done in jest I don't consider that very funny !! I guess it was done by a person that doesn't particularly like me .))

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Egads, here it is late Saturday and I'm not done this yet. I'd better stop here and get this out. I do have a couple of other letters that I'd like to print so if you sent one and it isn't in here I'll try to get it in next issue.
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ANNUAL VARIANT AWARDS. This is an annual poll taken by Robert Sacks for the DVC. If you have an interest in Variants please participate. Vote for 2 in each catagory. 1) Outstanding publication for Variants. 2) Outstanding Variant Gamemaster. 3) Outstanding Variant design. 4) Outstanding article on variants. (all of these are for 1980 only). In addition, these two may be prior to 1980. 1)General contribution to Variants. 2) Special award (1 only) Send your ballot to Robert Sacks Secretary, Variant awards panel, 4861 Broadway 5-V, New York, NY 10034

FOR DISPOSAL....Lots of dipzines . I have a couple of boxes of old and recent dipzines I want to dispose of. These represent about 80% of the 'zines that currently publish and a few that no longer are around. I would prefer to see them go to someone who is within a reasonable driving distance of Philly so that they can pick them up. However, I will pack them and ship them to anyone who is willing to pay for my costs for doing so. Here's a great chance for someone to see just about every style of 'zine in the hobby. Who wants them ?

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