



Winsome Losesome



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INTRODUCTION

WINSOME LOSESOME is a gaming publication dedicated to the play of Postal DIPLOMACY. DIPLOMACY is a multi-player political conflict game invented by Allan Calhamer and currently owned by the Avalon Hill Game Co. This 'zine is devoted exclusively to Postal DIPLOMACY. WINSOME LOSESOME is published by me, Judy Winsome, at 3902 Lakemead Way, Redwood City, CA 94062. Subscriptions are 40¢ an issue. I suggest you send a check for \$5.00 and I will credit your account accordingly. There are no game fees, you can play as long as you maintain a subscription. I use five week deadlines. The deadline for this issue is Thursday, June 28, 1984.

STANDBYS

Standbys to WINSOME-LOSESOME get free subscriptions when they are called and for as long as they are playing a standby position. Any other standbys out there? Terry Tallman, Mark Keller, Lynn Torkelson, Ken Peel, Chris Hawkins, Charlie Morris, John Michalski, and George Graessle are receiving this issue free for being a standby or for being called as a standby.

Standbys: Steve Knight, Herb Philbrick, Joe Stark, Johnny Pfukerfaster, Jack Jung, Herb Philbrick, Terry Tallman, Jerry White(ns), Ron Galicia(ns), Jim Stevens(ns), Herb Philbrick, Shelton Fugate(ns)

SECOND ANNUAL DAVE CARTER AWARD CONTEST GOES TO STEVE HUTTON

There were many excellent entries for this year's Dave Carter Award. It was very difficult to select a winner, but after sleeping on it for several nights, the winner became obvious. Congratulations STEVE HUTTON, you wanted it, you got it! Steve happens to have the same initials as the first winner, Scott Hanson and has just as many letters in his names. All you number freaks can have fun with that. Turn to pages 14 and 15 to read the nominations.

PDORA

Enclosed is a listing of the items up for nomination in the Spring '84 People's Diplomacy Organization's Relief Auction. The proceeds from this auction go toward helping the custodians of the various Dip support organizations such as the Orphan Service. I heartily endorse this auction and plan to submit bids myself. My hair would not sustain another butcher job, so no pigtail this time, but maybe next time...

1982 AF

* ENGLAND - - - Charlie Morris, 14238 Sylvania Dr., Cypress, TX 77429
GERMANY - - - Robyn Finley, 1466 Bonair Rd. #71, Vista, CA 92083
ITALY - - - John Michalski, RT 10 Box 526 Q, Moore, OK 73165
RUSSIA - - - Chris Hawkins, P O Box 45398, Seattle, WA 98145
TURKEY - - - Mark Keller, 9536 Shumway Dr., Orangevale, CA 95662
GAMES PERSON Judy Winsome, 3902 Lakemead Way, Redwood City, CA, 94062

* Charlie Morris takes over for England.

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1982 AF

WINTER 1908

England (Morris) Remove Army Paris, Fleet Marseilles
Russia (Hawkins) Build Fleet St. Petersburg (NC)
Turkey (Keller) Build Army Smyrna

SPRING 1909

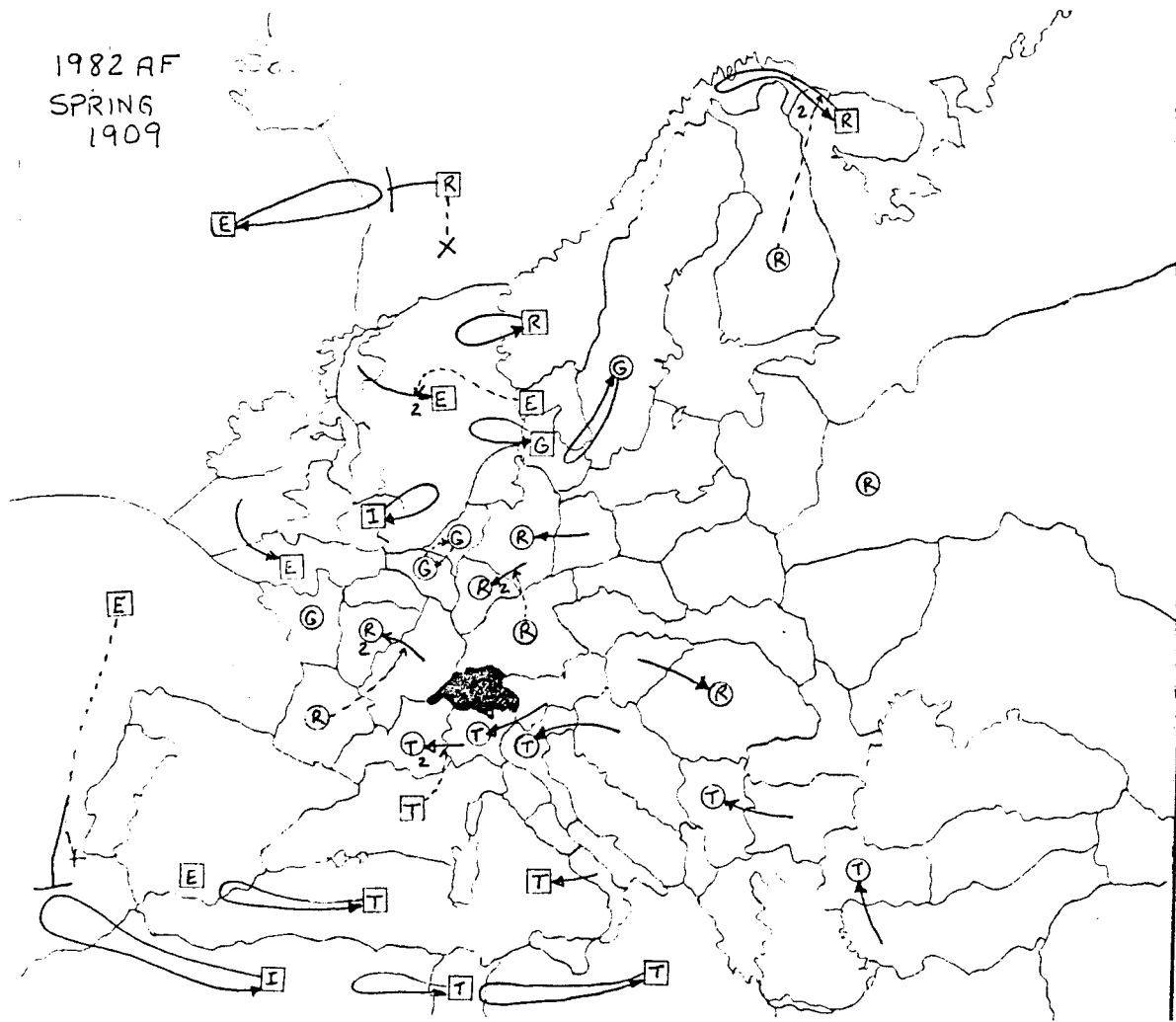
England (Morris) F Iri-ENG, F NAO-Nwg, F Edi-NTH, F SKA S F Edi-Nth,
F MAO S F Spa, F SPA(SC) H
Germany (Finley) F DEN-Nth, A SWE-Den, A HOL S A Bel, A BEL S A Hol,
A BRE H
Italy (Michalski) F LON-Nth, F NAF-Mao
Russia (Hawkins) F NWG S F Nwy-Nth, F NWY-Nth, F STP(NC)-Nwy,
A FIN S F Stp-Nwy, A MOS H, A Ber-KIE,
A Bur-PAR, A MUN S A Kie-Ruh, A Vie-BUD, A Kie-RUH,
A GAS S A Bur-Par
Turkey (Keller) A Pie-MAR, F LYO S A Pie-Mar, F WES-Spa(sc), F TUN-Naf,
F Nap-TYS, A Tyo-PIE, A Bul-SER, A Tri-VEN, F ION-Tun,
A Smy-CON

Deadline for Fall 1909 moves is Thursday, June 28, 1984. Concession to England fails. T/R draw fails and is reproposed. NVR means NO unless you NMR then it's YES.

PRESS:-----

England-All: Would all you bad guys out there please wear black hats so I know who to fight? If not I'll just take on all comers, but I promise not to discriminate against those of you who can't come. Give me Texas, Ireland, and Brooklyn and I'll take on the whole world. But in the words of Monty Hall, "Let's make a deal."

Germany-England: Aw, don't crap out now. Who will I have left to pick on.
Heinrich the Funeral Director-Dying Briton: I have just the package for you, we call it "Sweet Endings" - a 5 lb. box of chocolate and a burial at See's.
Brest Press: Hi John!



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The wife just returned from a doctor's appointment in an elated mood. She told her husband, "I had a wonderful checkup. The doctor said I had the breasts of a 20 year old woman."

Her wise-ass husband replied, "Yeah, and what did he say about your 40-year old ass?"

"He didn't mention you at all."

As Julie said on her last ski trip, "I'd rather ski what I can't see than see what I can't ski."

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PLUGGING OTHER PEOPLE'S OPENINGS

MURD'RING MINISTERS, Ron Brown, 1528 El Sereno Pl, Bakersfield, CA 93304. Ron has a regular diplomacy game opening as of April 17. The gamefee is \$6 plus a refundable \$3 NMR deposit. You get your \$3 back if you don't NMR during the game. You must also subscribe for the duration (\$5.50 for 12 issues) MM is my first and favorite 'zine. You couldn't do much better than to get into this game. Four are signed up. I'd love to play in this one but I'm in too many already. One of the best GMs.

1982 CA

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ENGLAND - Terry Tallman, 820 Armour St, Seattle WA 98119
FRANCE - Ken Peel, 8708 First Ave #T-2, Silver Springs, MD 20910
RUSSIA - Jack Jung, 402 Cole Road, Guelph, Ontario, CANADA N1G 3J8
GAMES PERSON Judy Winsome, 3902 Lakemead Way, Redwood City, CA 94062

1982 CA

WINTER 1907

Austria (Keller) Build Army Budapest and plays 1 short
England (Tallman) Build Army Edinburgh
France (Peel) Build Fleet Marseilles and Fleet Brest
Russia (Jung) Build Army Sevastopol

SPRING 1908

Austria (Keller) A VIE S A Gal-Boh, A TRI S A Vie, A SER S A Tri,
A GAL-Boh, F GRE S Russian F Ion, A BUD S A Tri
England (Tallman) A RUH-Mun, F NTH C A Edi-Nwy, A KIE S A Ber,
A BER S A Pru-Sil, A Pru-SIL, A LVN-War, F BAR-Stp(nc),
A STP-Mos, F Bal-PRU, A Edi-NWY
France (Peel) F ADR C A Apu-Alb, F TUN S F Tys-Ion, F NAP S F Tys-Ion,
F TYS-Ion, A PIE S A Tyo, A VEN-Tri, A Apu-ALB,
A TYO S A Mun-Boh, A MUN-Boh, F Mar-LYO, F Bre-MAO,
Russia (Jung) A WAR S A Sil-Pru, F ION H, A MOS S A War,
F AEG S F Ion, A Sil-Pru annihilated, A SEV S A Mos

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PRESS:-----

House of Lords: Yawn.

Lon-Par: I don't see a stalemate line. Do you?

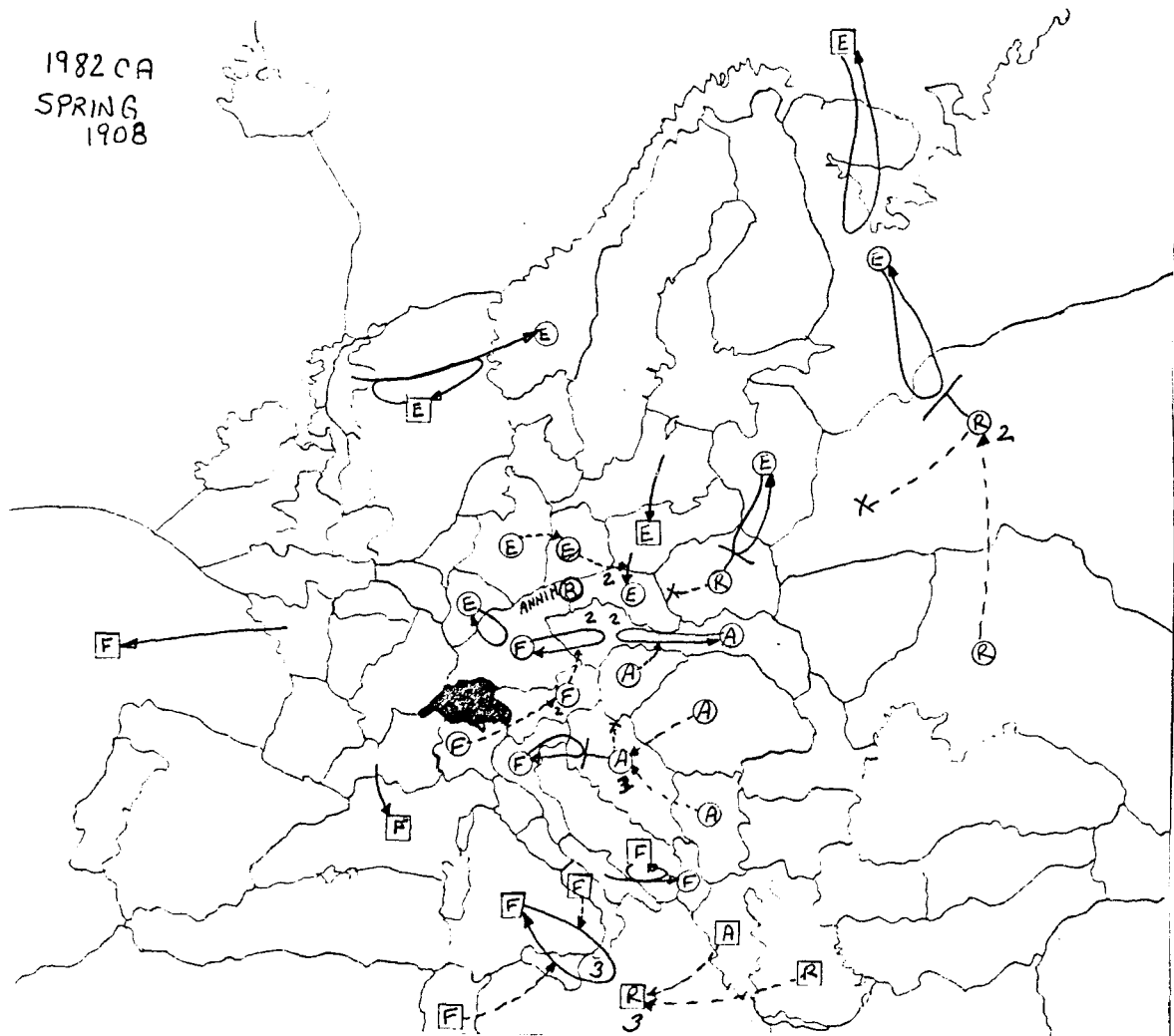
Seattle-Moore: Want to write press in this game? Do one else does.

Lon-Par: If they fail to hold the center this turn it could be all over. Then maybe they'll vote for the draw.

Lon-Board: I'm voting for the FE draw, nothing else.

France-Austria & Russia: Somewhere, this thing will crack. It is past the point of being able to set up a stable line. What are you waiting for? My, quite a yawner, isn't it?

Peel-Tallman: You are there, aren't you? Let's not prolong the agony of these guys.



PLUGGING OTHER PEOPLE'S OPENINGS

LIFE OF MONTY, Don Del Grande, 142 Eliseo Dr, Greenbrae, CA 94904-1339 has openings in LOM as well as in his two subzines. Don has one game open with five signed up. No game fee. Dick Martin, Jim Bjornsson, Ken Gestiehr Jr., Carlton, and Greg Doyle are signed up. In the subzine, FNORD, Mike Ehli, 1715 Cottonwood, Springfield, OR 97477, has two signed up, Gary Coughlan and Ken Gestiehr Sr. In the subzine, Submarine Warfare, Derwood Bowen, 1643 Graniteway Lane, Columbus, OH 43229, has only Bob Olsen signed up. In this subzine there is a \$5 NMR fee and 4 week deadline, but no game fee. If you've never played with Coughlan or Olsen, you're missing something and here's your chance. Subs are 50 cents an issue. (5/10/84)

THE DOGS OF WAR, John Daly, Route 2, Box 136-M5, Rockwell, NC 28138, is starting a couple of games. He publishes every 24 days. Subs are ten issues for \$3.50. Game fee is \$3 and a \$3 returnable deposit if required. You lose \$1 of the deposit for every move missed. John is an excellent GM. Eight players are signed up, three are from one state and two from another so if you're from some weird place like South Dakota or Texas sign up. (5/8/84)

RAGING MAIN, James Woodson, P. O. Box 18645, Corpus Christi, TX 78418, is talking about opening a new game for people who love to write creative press. By that he means people who create characters in their press who move through serial game-related situations and interact with characters created in press written by others. James' games have a nautical flavor with names like Graf Spee, Mikasa, Bonhomme Richard. Subscriptions are 55 cents an issue. (5/11/84)

1982 HV

- AUSTRIA Charlie Morris, 14238 Sylvia Dr., Cypress, TX 77429
- * FRANCE Roland Louie, 322 Larkspur Plaza, Larkspur, CA 94939
- GERMANY Jim McPhail, 104 Castleridge Dr NE, Calgary, Alberta, CANADA T3J 1Y8
- RUSSIA Bill Hawley, 227 S. Canal St., Newton Falls OH 44444
- GAMES PERSON Judy Winsome, 3902 Lakemead Way, Redwood City, CA 94062
- * Will George Graessle, 326 Park Place, Irvington, NJ 07111 please submit standby orders for France?

1982 HV

SUMMER 1907

France (Louie) NRR! Retreat Army Burgundy off the board

FALL 1907

- Austria (Morris) F LYO S A Pie-Mar, F SPA(SC) H, A ROM H, A TUS H, A Ven-PIE, A Pie-MAR, A Mun-BUR, A Bur-GAS, A RUH S Russian F Hol-Bel, A NAP H, F Adr-ION, A Tyo-MUN
- France (Louie) NMR! F MAO H, A PIC H, A Mar annihilated, F Bel annihilated
- Germany (McPhail) F LON H, A Edi-LPL, F Nth-Hol dislodged retreat Hel, Ska, Yor, Edi, Otb
- Russia (Hawley) A Swe-NWY, F ENG-Pic, F DEN S F Nwy-Nth, F Hol-BEL, A KIE-Hol, A BER-Kie, A PRU-Ber, F Ion-TUN, F Tun-WES, F Nwy-NTH, F NWG S F Nwy-Nth, A Mos-STP

Supply Center Chart:

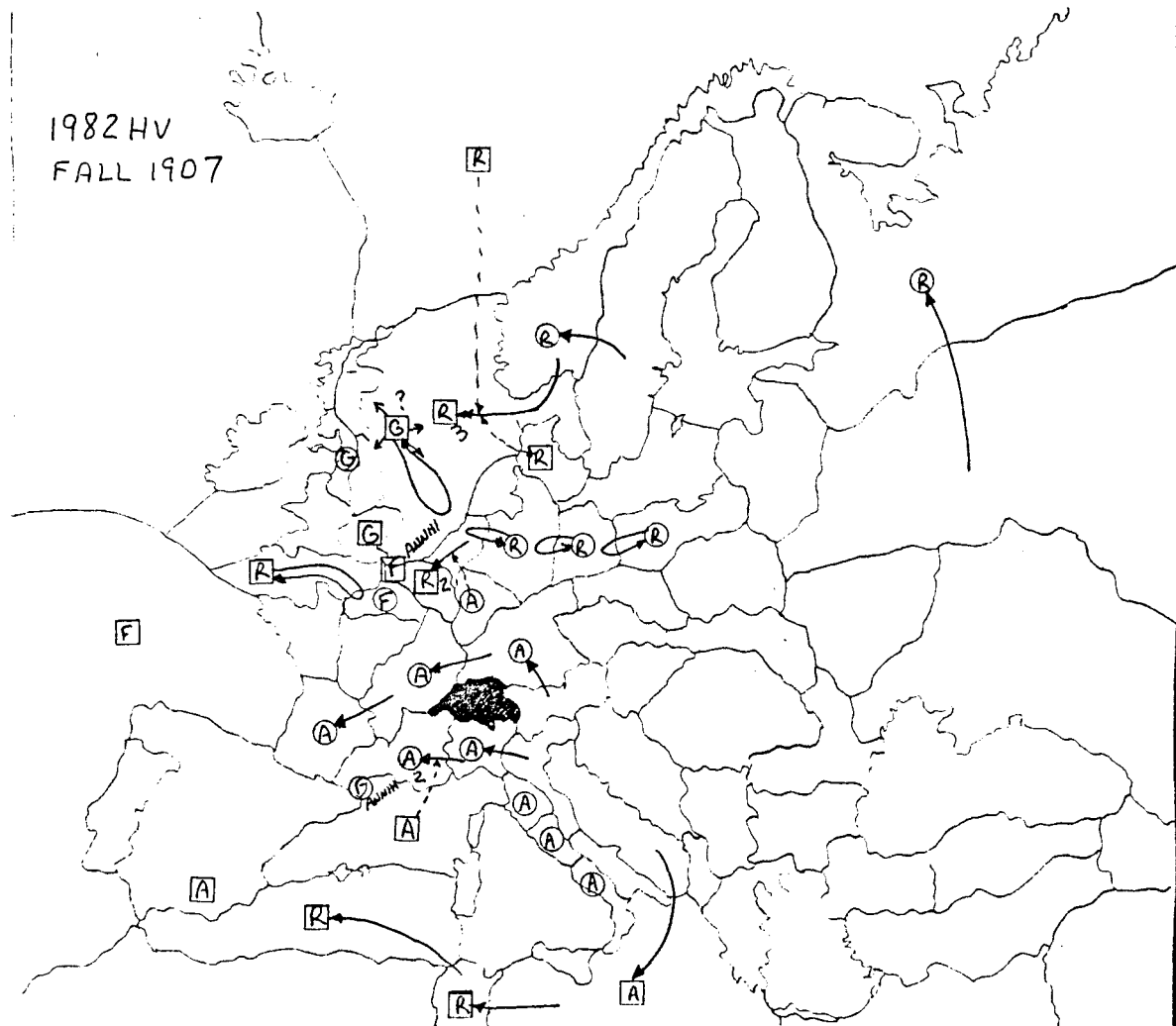
AUSTRIA	Tri, Vie, Bud, Gre, Ser, Bul, Smy, Ven, Ank	14	build 2
	Mun, Rom, SPA, NAP, MAR		
FRANCE	Par, Bre, Mar , Por, Mad , Spa , Bel	3	build 1
GERMANY	Edi, Lon, Lpl	3	even
ITALY	Tyr	0	out
RUSSIA	Stp, Mos, War, Sev, Rum, Swe, Nwy, Den, Con,	14	build 2
	Kie, Ber, Hol, BEL, TUN		

Deadline for Autumn 1907 retreat, Winter 1907 builds and Spring 1908 moves is Thursday, June 28, 1984. A Russian/Austrian draw has been proposed. Vote with your next orders. No Vote Received means NO unless you NMR then it's YES.

PRESS:-----

Charlie-Judy: No I don't use cumin in chili, though I do use flour! Texas has about as many chili recipes as it does inhabitants but two good commercial ones are "Carroll Shelby's" and "Hell on the Red" (which is made in a little town on the Red River). They are both hot and not for women, children or weaklings. I spent a happy Mother's Day overseeing my wife wash and wax both cars before cooking out on the grill. I did let my wife cut up vegetables for a tossed salad, but anything else involed with the barbecue process is too complex for women to handle. Men are chefs, women are cooks.

Judy-Charlie: Nice try, Charlie. You go on believing that barbecueing is a man's job. While you're choking on the smoke that keeps following you around the grill and you're sweating in the hot sun and your feet and back are aching from hours of standing and you're singeing the hair on the back of your macho hands, keep on believing that it's your genital birthright.



1982HV Press continued

Austria-Germany, France: Give it up. If you're waiting for me to fight RUSSIA, your grandchildren will have long white beards by then.

G-R: Look, Bill. Keep up all this unwarranted aggression and I'll get mad. Let me just settle peacefully in my ... uh ... this homeland.

G-F: Feel free to call on me for any help I can give you.

G-A/H: Interested in an alliance? This Russian chap just isn't working out.

Germany-Judy: No problems about my "non-Press" comments being used. Still snowed here on the weekend. But I'll swap that for your chances of fire, flood, quake, nuts, pollution, etc.

Judy-Germany: That can be read two ways - that you wouldn't trade what you have for fire, flood, etc, or that you would. I can't imagine anyone wanting to swap beautiful Alberta for the citified San Francisco Bay Area. The quakes are no big deal unless you're talking about soccer. On your list, only pollution irritates me. You forgot to mention the fruits. Five out of six isn't bad. You also didn't mention the crime rate, cost of housing...

Switzerland: Hey Charlie...what do hemorrhoids and cowboy hats have in common? Give up? Sooner or later every a-hole gets one!

1983 N

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 ENGLAND Lynn Torkelson, 992 Rosedale Road NE, Atlanta GA 30306
 FRANCE Ron Brown, 1528 El Sereno Pl, Bakersfield, CA 93304
 * GERMANY Mark Hogue, 5820 N. Murray Ave, Apt C-17, Hanahan, SC 29406
 ITALY Civil Disorder
 RUSSIA Terry Tallman, 820 Armour St., Seattle, WA 98119
 * TURKEY Tim Winger, P. O. Box 13043, Denver, CO 80201
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* Tim Winger submitted orders and stays as Turkey. Will John Michalski, RT 10 Box 526Q, Moore, OK 73165 please submit standby orders for Germany?

1983 N

SUMMER 1905

Austria (Edison) Retreat Army Venice to Apulia

FALL 1905

Austria (Edison) A NAP S A Apu-Rom, A TYO S A Vie-Tri, A Vie-TRI,
 A APU-Rom
 England (Torkelson) F Nth-LON
 France (Brown) A BUR S A Pic-Bel, A Pic-BEL, F TYS-Nap,
 A PIE S A Ven, F ROM S F Tys-Nap, F TUN-Ion,
 A VEN H, F EDI H
 Germany (Hogue) NMR! F NWY H, A FIN H, F SWE H, A MUN H,
 A Ber H dislodged retreat Kie, Otb,
 A HOL H, F BAL H
 Italy (Civil Disorder) A RUH H
 Russia (Tallman) A MOS S F Stp(nc), A Pru-BER, A Sil A A Pru-Ber,
 F STP(NC) H
 Turkey (Winger) F ION S Austrian A Nap, F GRE S F Ion, A Bul-SER,
 A Boh-VIE, A Ser-BUD

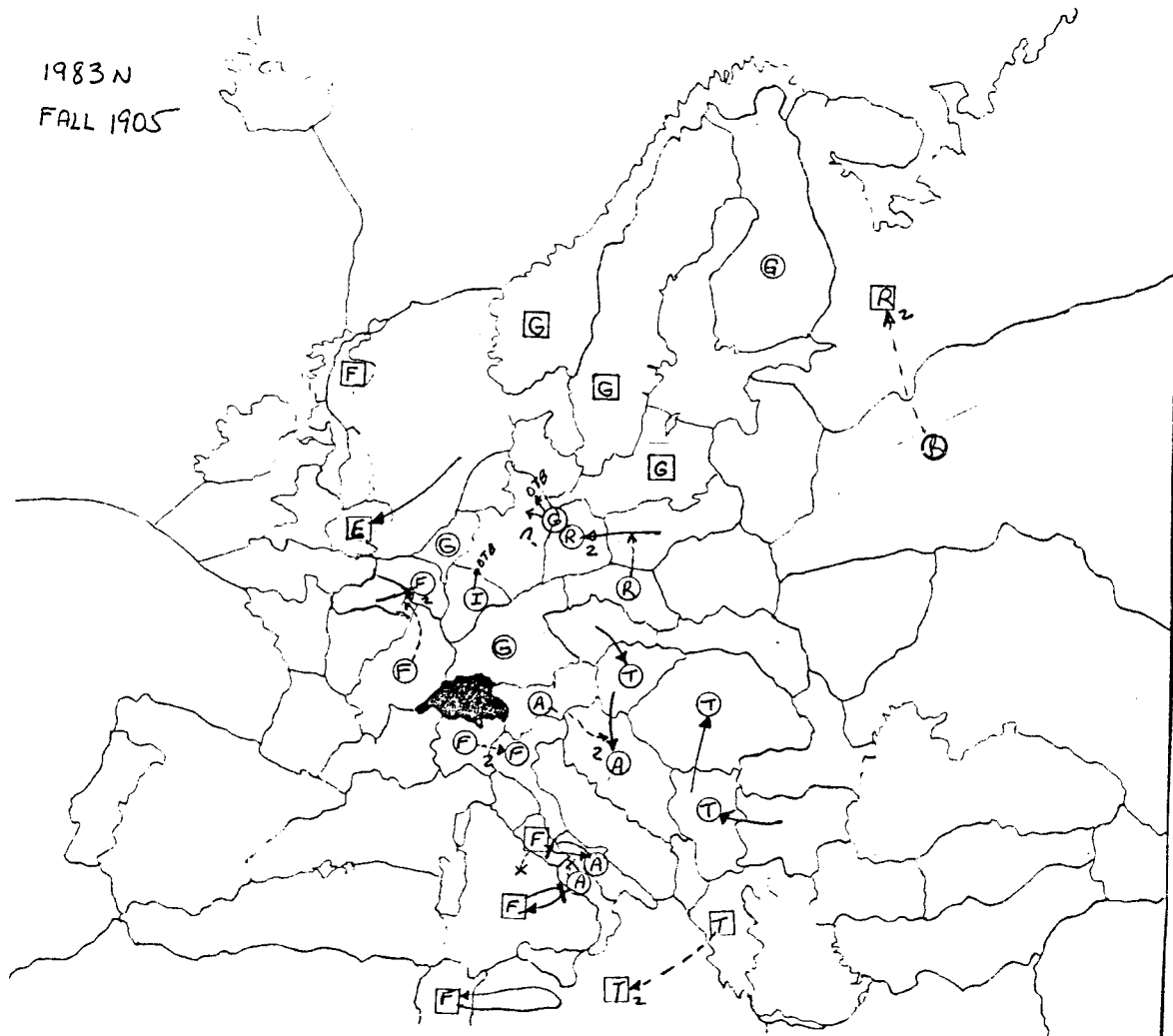
Supply Center Chart:

AUSTRIA	Tri, Bud , Ven , Vie , NAP	2	remove 2
ENGLAND	Nth , LON	1	even
FRANCE	Par, Bre, Mar, Por, Kon , Spa, Lpl, Tun, VEN, ROM, BEL, EDI	11	build 3
GERMANY	Ber , Kie, Bel , Edi , Den, Mun, Nwy, Swe, HOL	6	remove 1
ITALY	Rom , Nap	0	out
RUSSIA	Stp, Mos, War, Sev, BER	5	build 1
TURKEY	Con, Ank, Smy, Bul, Rum, Gre, Ser, BUD, VIE	9	build 3, play 1 short
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Deadline for Autumn 1905 retreat and Fall 1905 builds and removals and Spring 1906 moves is Thursday, June 28, 1984.

PRESS:-----

Constantinople: Sultan Win-Ger has returned from a brief bathing excursion to the Black Sea and sends renewed greetings to friend and foe alike. With bathing caught up for another year, he returns to the fray.



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Judy-Win-Ger: OK, 007, what great adventure were you up to now? I've been looking for it in the papers. You've probably been cleaning up on illegal laundry operations.

London: Admiral Lightarmour granted his tired, courageous sailors a much-needed leave while his fleet was repaired and resupplied. Meeting later with General Blackbluster, he could not conceal his deep concern about the Italian collapse and about the unexpected civil turmoils in the Ottoman Empire.

"How do you **RATE** our chances with this alliance, General?"

"Alas, I shed a **TEAR** to think of it," replied Blackbluster.

Paris: President Jacques Pervért addressed the Assembly gathered at the Presidential Palace. The thunderous applause eventually died down enough for Pervért to begin his address...

"People of the Republic of France: You have been wanting to know the latest military results. I'm very pleased to be able to tell you our forces have completely occupied Italy and overthrown the corrupt rule of the mad Pope Duarte and evicted the sinister ally of Italy, the notorious and despicable tyrant of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

"Meanwhile, our friend, the Kaiser, is busily repelling the aggression of Tsar Tallman, the Terrible. Things are looking up..."

Suddenly a messenger burst in and announced that the English fleet had set sail and was on its way to capture London. "Oh well", Pervért said dejectedly. "Maybe next year..."

More 1983N Press:-----

Moore: One day John was bored and dropped by Fluff's to see what was up. He knocked on the front door but there was no answer. He saw Fluff's four-wheeler in the driveway and the 30-30 was in the gun rack so he knew he must be around.

He wandered around back and noticed that Fluff had run an electric cord to the old chicken shed out back.

There was some noise of tools or something so he wandered back and opened the door.

Inside was Fluff with super-glue in one hand and what looked like an arm in the other.

Then he noticed what Fluff was trying to glue the arm to.

Try to imagine running the east coast click through a sawmill. Then gather up the big pieces and make them party with the Mad Lads for a week.

Afterwards you might have something resembling the thing on Fluff's work bench. And then it winked at John.

"Holy Shit! What the hell is that thing?"

"Well," grinned Fluff, "you know my cousin who works over at the hospital? Well, I had him savin' spare parts for me."

John slowly walked around the figure sitting on the bench. Two arms, two legs, a head, but nothing matched. One foot was twice as big as the other, one eye was blue, one was brown and instead of a mouth John realized Fluff had used...

"An asshole! You used an asshole instead of a mouth!"

"Well, my cousin couldn't get everything I needed and I was short a mouth but had that extra asshole..."

"Looks like an In-Sixer," laughed John.

Fluff stopped for a moment and opened an Igloo ice chest, "Care for lunch?"

"Watcha got?"

"Twinkies and R. C. Cola."

"My favorite."

Fluff started unwrapping twinkies and popping tops on icy R.C.'s when one of the creature's hands shot out, grabbed a twinkie and shoved it in its upper asshole.

"Better not let Woody near this thing," said John.

"Yeah, but it's a real problem. I've been trying to teach it to eat right and it just won't listen. So it keeps stealing my twinkies."

"You don't mean..."

"Yeah, I talk and talk about my twinkies but they still go in one rear and out the other."

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RED LETTERS

This letter from Richard "Lucky" Edison was very much appreciated by me:

"Well, its been two months since I moved back to Colorado, and it was definitely a good move for me. I'm starting a real estate investment business, and my friends here are easy-going, more like me.

The other plus, of course, is the greater opportunity to play soccer here than in Berkeley. I've missed not being able to play for the last year and a half, and I'm very rusty. Still, I won't be able to play until the summer, when I come back from a months vacation in Europe.

I'd just like to say how good I think you've GMed this ((1982HV)) and the other games in Losesome Losemore. I've been lucky to never have any calls of ambiguity or Gm errors in any of my games. But then, I'm just a lucky kind of guy. Call me Richard "Lucky" Edison."

((Thanks, Richard, for the very kind words. It certainly does sound like an exciting life you live. If you would like to write a journal of your trip to Europe, I would love to publish it in return for several free issues. I'd also like to hear more about your soccer exploits. My women's team winds up their

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season on Saturday, May 19 (I'm writing this on the 17th). Although we wound up 7th in 9 teams, we are in the quarterfinals of the post season tournament. We may surprise someone as it will be the first game that our three first string forwards will all play at the same time. We've had bad luck with scheduling and illnesses (like chicken pox). I'm also looking forward to the home opener for the Earthquakes that evening. I miss the British Bangers they sell there. Should be a great soccer day for me. Glad things are going well for you.))

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MORE FROM MARK HOGUE ON DIPLOMATOID CONFESSIONS

In the last two issues I printed an article by Mark Hogue and reader comments on the article. Below is printed another letter from Mark on the same subject. //denote Diplomatoïd comments//. ((My comments are surrounded by double parentheses))

Mark Hogue, Hanahan, SC,

//I especially appreciated Mark Barno's views on hobby friendship. That's the ideal situation, it seems. However, I'm unconvinced that it really works as he says.

Diplomacy is a great game for what Mr. Calhamer designed it. But, we must consider what that design intended to portray in evaluating the extent to which we will employ his game in our lives.

Pragmatism, the philosophy, and its own "situation ethics" is the deadly, altruistic creed accepted by power hungry people today. In Diplomacy, the players are not necessarily power-hungry, but isn't it obvious that they're using the Hobby to express an existential position relating to Pragmatism and all its immoral and, in the final analysis, impractical implications?

Is there a hobbyist who believes in the supremacy of reason and its political consequence: individual freedom? This is a concept foreign to most people. Those interested would best learn of it by reading Atlas Shrugged or other of Ayn Rand's superlative works.//

((Thanks for the letter, Mark. I don't think it is obvious at all that players as a rule are expressing any one philosophy. There are many styles of play. And I think very few people carry it over to their real lives. Probably the major effect on their own lives is the time it consumes and the friendships the game helps to establish. I read Atlas Shrugged many years ago. I remember I struggled with it and I recall wondering how anyone could take himself as seriously as did the protagonist in the novel. I know I can't.))

The picture postcard shown on page 16 had this from Conrad Minshall of Austin TX:

"Saw this lady ((Patti Smith)) as lead up to a Stones concert in the late 70s. Wow! Intellectual and sensual. Jagger was a let down! Patti's better than Janis Joplin even!

Of course Friday was sexist; no need to reevaluate, all Heinlein is sexist. But Friday was better in this respect than, say, Stranger in a Strange Land or Time Enough for Love. And sexism is the only drawback I find to Heinlein, one easily ignored by us males - not our problem, eh? Our family consists of one self-described "radical feminist" and one "feminest sympathizer" (read lazy). You might mention Friday's eventually settling down with family (to Mike Barno) - marrying one's rapist is, uh, different. Or describe the more traditional relationship with "Boss", a male of course.

I'd like more info on our goals in a game of Diplomacy. Naturally any good player is trying to analyze goals/motivations of the others. I suspect your difference is that you have a goal of being hard to analyze, unpredictable. If one is too predictable, then one is taken advantage of as a sucker. If one is too unpredictable, then one is dangerous and is beat up on so the others' plans have a chance. Your sentence "Fun." makes me think you're too unpredictable. Note that if a bright person really tries to be unpredictable, said person will not tolerate the situation for long.

Hope you can read this mess!"

((You get the award for the most contained on one side of a post card. I suspect I've misled you about my method of playing. I wouldn't say that being unpredictable is a goal, but a tool that may be used from time to time. My goal is to have fun, and to try to see if I can guess what the other players will do based upon their behavior. The fun aspect of it is you can do it in the relatively unthreatening environment of a game, so if you guess wrong, you merely get a set back in a game. There are not many places where you get that opportunity. I agree with you, if I were to be merely unpredictable, that would get pretty boring and pesty for the other players. Hell, a computer could do that. My prediction would be that the others would gang up on me and eliminate me quickly. To my allies, I'm very predictable.))

1983 CK

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- FRANCE James Wall, 27 N. Mills Apt #3, Madison WI 53715
- GERMANY Ben Schilling, 24730 Roosevelt Ct APT 315, Farmington Hills MI 48018
- ITALY Steve Knight, 11905 Winterthur Lane, Apt 103, Reston VA 22091
- ** RUSSIA Roland Louie, 322 Larkspur Plaza, Larkspur CA 94939
- TURKEY Cathy Cuning, 1526 N. Lawler Ave, Chicago, IL 60651
- GAMES PERSON Judy Winsome, 3902 Lakemead Way, Redwood City, CA 94062

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WINTER 1903

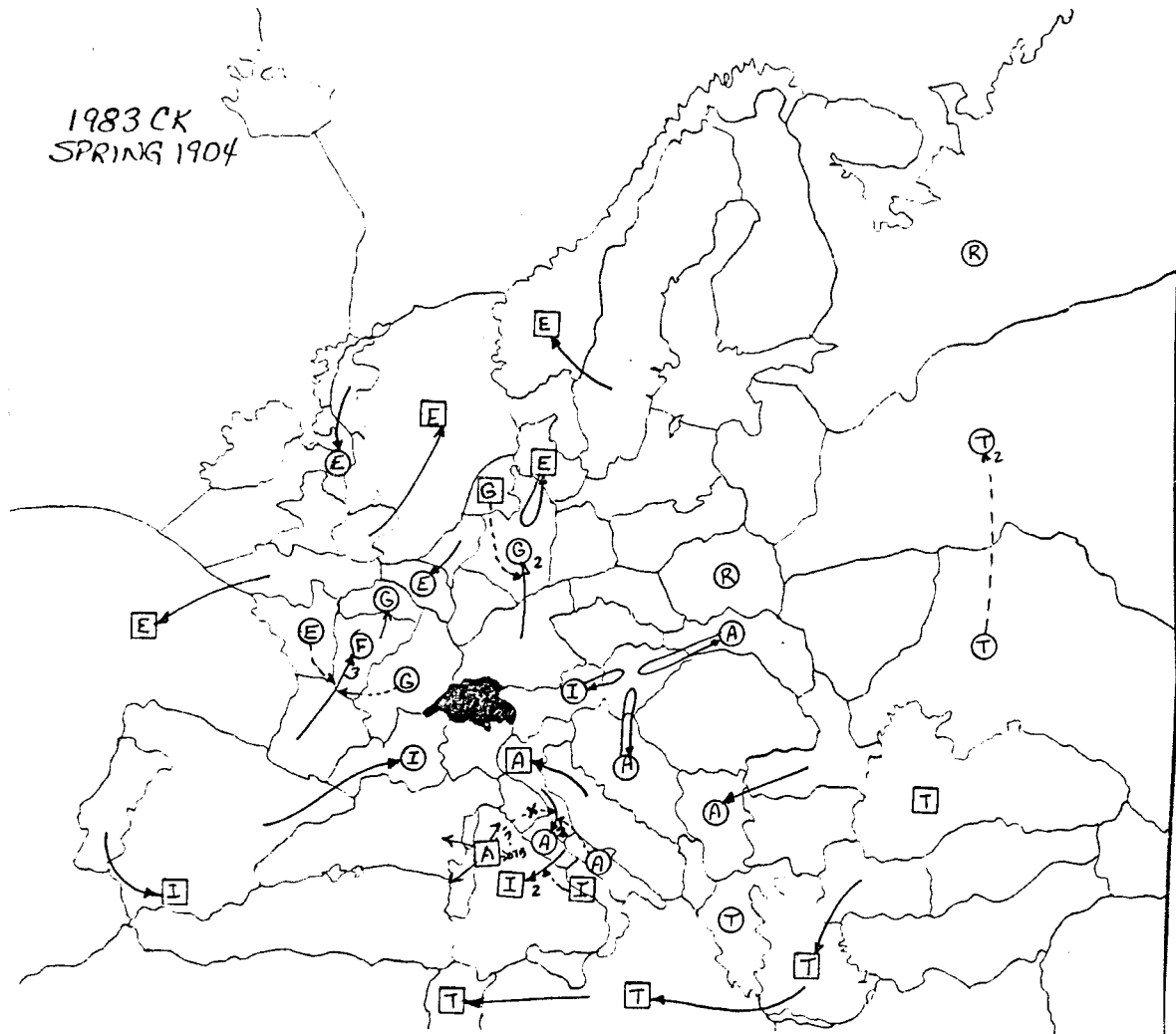
- Austria (Mazzer) Build Army Trieste
- England (Stark) Build Army Edinburgh and Fleet London & plays 1 short
- France (Wall) Remove Fleet Liverpool
- Germany (Schilling) Remove Army Silesia and Fleet Gulf of Bothnia
- Italy (Knight) Build Fleet Naples
- Russia (Louie) NRR! Remove Army Livonia

SPRING 1904

- Austria (Mazzer) A GAL-Vie, A Rum-SER, F Adr-VEN, A Ven-ROM,
A APU S A Ven-Rom, A TRI-Vie,
F Tys S A Ven-Rom dislodged retr Lyo, Wes, Tus, Otb
- England (Stark) A Hol-BEL, A BRE S French A Gas-Par, F Eng-MAO,
F Swe-NWY, F DEN-Kie, A Edi-LPL, F Lon-NTH
- France (Wall) A Gas-PAR
- Germany (Schilling) F HEL S A Mun-Kie, A BUR S French A Gas-Par,
A Par-PIC, A Mun-KIE
- Italy (Knight) F Por-SPA(SC), A Spa-MAR, A TYO-Vie,
F NAP S F Rom-Tys, F Rom-TYS
- Russia (Louie) NMR! A STP H, A WAR H
- Turkey (Cuning) F Con-AEG, F Bla H, A Mos unordered, A SEV S A Mos,
A GRE H, F Aeg-ION, F Ion-TUN

Deadline for Summer 1904 retreat and Fall 1904 moves is Thursday, June 28, 1984.

1983 CK Press: -----
Vienna-Berlin: Judging from that picture of you and Phyllis, you are susceptible to unscrupulous females too.



1983 CK Press Continued -----

Mazzer-The Wall: I'm sorry, I haven't had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Frueh. Which "scaly-skinned wonder" are you referring to?

Mazzer-Cupcake: Apparently I can throw her a long way.

Vienna-Italy: You still don't understand, do you? It's because of our natures that we are allied so effectively. It's because neither of us trusts each other, that we are working so well. If either of us were the least but nicer, we'd have been stabbed so long ago.

Vienna-Con: Please don't make me eat that last press release!

Vienna-Con: Have fun with Orczog, but don't listen to his advice on Dip matters. You're twice the player he ever was.

Vienna-London: I'm impressed!

London-Vienna: I meant ruling the "C's". I guess that means that it's not over yet.

Eng-Turk: Thanks for the gesture up north, but as you can see, I was busy with other things.

London-Berlin: I'm sure I'll drop dead one of these years, but as for now I'm alive and kicking.

Eng-France: How does switching supply centers sound? Hopefully the sheep may once again roam the hills of Liverpool.

England-CUPCAKE: I miss your press releases. When can we expect the firing up of your bakeries. Make sure you don't burn your buns!

Rome-Constantinople: Qui tacet consentire?

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Switzerland-Germany: Sorry to see that you get it in the back (maybe it was lower than the back!)

Rome-Vienna: If you've ever lived in Italy, you'd be puzzled as to why Mazzer wants to live there, eh?

Rome-A/T: 14 vs. 5? Pick on somebody your own size!

Turkey-England: I'm sure glad I'm not next to you!

Bla-Rum: I do hope you have moved on.

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NOMINATIONS FOR DAVE CARTER AWARD

From its namesake, Dave Carter, pubber of Sleepless Knights:

"Notice how good I've been lately? I mean, no semi-nude ladies!!! I nominate Steve Hutton for the award. He deserves it!"

((I also noticed no nude ladies. And several sexist jokes in issue #32.

Especially loathsome were the upside down four on the last page. You weren't out of the running, Dave.))

From Paul Rauterberg, pubber of Midlife Crisis:

"I nominate Russ Rusnak for hobby sexist, based on press cartoon in 1983Y last issue!"

((OK, let's look at that cartoon. Egad, how horrible! I've never seen such a sexist representation of a cowboy. This guy has no chest, has no teeth, and doesn't know that he's got both arms on one side of the post he's supposed to be tied to. How can you tell it's from Russ Rusnak, other than the fact that nobody else wrote any press? Well, that depiction of a man is certainly worthy evidence of a sexist mind.))

From Steve Langley, co-pubber of Magus:

"I would like to nominate Daphne Anne Langley aka Daf aka GMS aka the Slave Girl Daphne for the Carter Award. Granted, Daf is a woman, but the idea that women can not be sexist is, frankly, sexist. Daf has created press personas in a number of zines; in Paranoics Monthly she is the Slave Girl Daphne, in Strange Doings, Mass Murders, and most prominently, Magus, she is the GMS (short for GM's slave). In all of these personas she develops sexual fantasies of flirtation, pursuit and bondage (not to mention hot fudge and whipped cream). In her own Hare of the Dog, she presents herself as a woman preoccupied with sex, sex and more sex. In short, Daf panders to the basic male sex fantasies. If such fantasies were presented by a man, sexist would be the mildest of labels attached to him. I therefore submit that Daf is most deserving of the Carter Award." ((I don't think that pandering to sexual fantasies necessarily gives one the label of sexist. I think of sexism when one assumes a person's place in life because of her/his gender. One's sexual behaviour has little to do with it. However much I would love to give Daphne the honor, I don't think she has earned it. I will give her the honor of Hobbie's Most Sexually Oriented, however. Next year at the appropriate time I will have the second annual Daphne Langley Award Contest for the most Sexually Oriented Dipper. Let's not have any racist Asian nominations, please.))

The following is from James Woodson, pubber of Raging Main:

"In nominating a candidate for the award going to the "most sexist person in the hobby" I have come up with two possibilities. I suppose, though, we should first find out what we are supposed to look for. My dictionary defines sexism as "prejudice or discrimination based on sex; esp: discrimination against women."

The second half of the definition leads me to think of Dale Bakken. Dale sent me a business card belonging to his girlfriend, but admonished me not to call her for a date. But later in the letter he said I could call her if it would gain him free issues of my 'zine.

I have to admit that this is surely the act of a sexist. He was willing to use his girlfriend for his own gain. But this was only an isolated incident and besides what's the fun of having a woman if you can't exploit her. (And if you are going to exploit her what better reasons than free issues of Raging Main).

No, Dale's sexism takes a distant second to that of the obvious choice. My nomination goes to that hobby member who degrades the opposite sex in print each and every month. This subzine editor also a sentimental favorite in view of the circumstances behind the choosing of last year's Carter Award winner. Judy, you must keep the award in the family and give it to Frauke Petersen.

One need only read a single installment of "Maneater" to see the qualifications Frauke has for this award. Whereas Scott made one sexist comment accompanying a provocative stick figure, Frauke's attacks on men come month after month without fail. There can be no other choice for this year's Dave Carter Award than Frauke Peterson."

((Very persuasive nomination, James. However, is she Frauke Peterson or Frauke Hanson? Or is this a clever self-nomination? Why the use of the phrase "month after month" rather than some less obvious reference to the menstrual cycle?))

This self-nomination from John Michalski came written on Ramada Inn stationery and sent in a sanitary napkin disposal bag: "...Next, what do you think of this racy stationery they gave me free? Does the envelope help my campaign for this year's Carter Award? (Has Frauke sent in a nomination of me yet?) Yes, once again I'm enjoying the thrills and chills of exciting and fun-packed Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Seriously, I did have one hair-raising incident here: I got out of the shower and put my shorts back on, and found that the air conditioner I'd left them on had kicked on while I was in the shower. It will wake you up! Does that ever happen in California? Or do you even take the earthquakes in stride?"

((No, we don't put back on the same shorts we were wearing before we took the shower. John, using a sanitary napkin bag to mail your game moves in doesn't qualify you for the Carter Award. How is that demeaning to women or men? It's just a ingenious use of available materials. You too clever for your own good. I didn't receive any nominations from Frauke, so I guess you're out of luck, sorry.))

Tim Winger nominates himself with the picture postcard shown on the bottom of page 16.

Another self-nomination is Charlie Morris. See his press on 1982HV on page 6.

In his latest issue of No Fixed Address, Steve Hutton campaigns successfully for the award with the following joke:

"God had just spent six busy days creating heaven and earth and all that, so he decided to take a day off and look over what he'd ddone. As he was admiring his handiwork, along came Archangel Gabriel (Gabe to his friends). "So wadda ya think?" asked God, not having created grammar yet. "Not bad, not bad," said Gabe. "Wadda ya mean, 'not bad'?" asked God, "I am perfect, almighty, most wise..." "I know all that," replied Gabe, "and I would have said 'perfect' except for those two humans you just created. It seems to me that you should have given them two different types of genitals, just like the other animals." That-Than-Which-Nothing-Greater-Can-Be-Imagined paused and thought about this. A while later, he said, "You're right. I'll give the stupid one a cunt."

((Well, you certainly seem to be wanting the honor, Steve. Next time you get struck in the genitals and are doubled over in pain, try to remember that God took those jewels away from the 'stupid' one.))

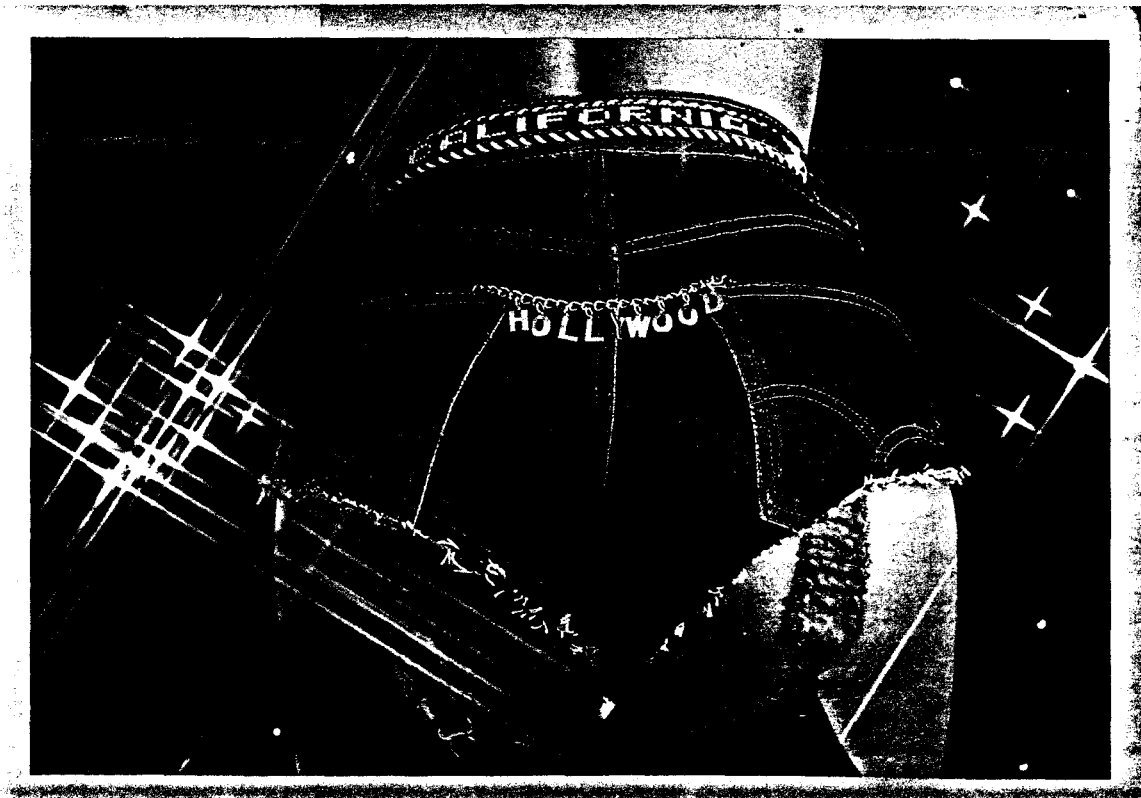
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Here is the picture postcard
Conrad Minshall refers to on page 11.

And here's some doodling of my own.



And here's Tim Winger's entry for the Dave Carter Award. Nice try Tim!



THE PEOPLE'S DIPLOMACY ORGANIZATION'S
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- M-34 THE WOODY SCRAPBOOK. Contains: one super-large red rubber band; an 8X10 BW glossy of an artist; "THE" crushed beer can from Turkeyday ByrneCON and; an old map of Ontario from Dave Carter.
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Bill Becker. Fred Davls Gregory Stewart Ralph Anderson
Minimum bid is 75¢ a picture.
- P-7 TURKEYCON (ByrneCON 69) Set of six pix, showing the cake, the woman Dick Martin said looked like Joan Extrom at dinner. Minimum bid is \$2.00.
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 - Z-14 BLACK FROG #8-56. Est=\$10.00. Bidder pays postage
 - Z-15 The dregs of "DICK MARTIN'S BOX." Zines received by BNC and Orphan's Bureau from 1-1-84 till now. Minimum bid is \$1.00 per pound. (Bid by the pound.) Bidders pay postage.
 - Z-16 GRAUSTRAK 448-466 (complete '82 set). Minimum bid is \$1.00. Bidder pays postage.
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 - B-1 Special "consideration" in the 1984 TOADY POLL. Minimum bribe is \$5.00.
 - F-1 Six boxes of HUSHUPUPPY mix. Bid on a few or all six boxes. Minimum bid is \$1.50 a box.

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- F-3 One batch of JIM MAKVC's famous brownies (Winner of the 30 Miles of Bad Road Brownie Cook-off). Minimum bid is \$3.00.
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- M-12 Original Grison tape (30 minutes) performed by Mazzer, Oleson, and Socrates the Duck in a California parking lot. Minimum bid is \$2.00.
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- M-18 Seven letters from Rod Walker.
- M-19 The original artwork for the WALKER HATE SHEET. Minimum bid is \$5.00.
- M-20 Old photo showing H. Naus, C. Reinseel and Walt Buchanan. Minimum bid is \$5.00.
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