



# 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 Calhmer 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. Your address label contains the total (TL) balance in your account which includes the credit (CR) you may have earned for standing by or submitting articles. The number in parentheses is for my use in retrieving your account from my computer file. I normally use five week deadlines. Due to my vacation schedule, I am using a much longer deadline for next issue. The deadline for this issue is Thursday, August 16, 1984.

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1982 AF

FALL 1909

England (Morris) F ENG S F Nth-Lon, F Nao-NWG, F Nth-LON,  
 F SKA S German A Swe-Nwy, F MAO S F Spa(sc),  
 F Spa(sc) H dislodged retreat Por, Otb  
 Germany (Finley) F DEN-Kie, A SWE-Nwy, A HOL S F Den-Kie, A BEL-Ruh,  
 A Bre H dislodged retreat Pic, Otb  
 Italy (Michalski) F NAF-Mao,  
 F Lon S Russian F Nwy-Nth dislodged retr Yor, Wal, Otb  
 Russia (Hawkins) F Nwg-EDI, F NWY-Swe, F Stp(nc)-BAR, A FIN S F Nwy-Swe,  
 A Mos-UKR, A KIE-Den, A PAR S A Gas-Bre,  
 A MUN S A Ruh-Kie, A BUD-Ser, A RUH-Kie, A Gas-BRE  
 Turkey (Keller) A MAR S F Wes-Spa(sc), F LYO S F Wes-Spa(sc),  
 F Wes-SPA(SC), F TUN S F Tys-Wes, F Tys-WES,  
 A PIE S A Mar, A SER-Bud, A VEN H, F Ion-TYS, A Con-ANK

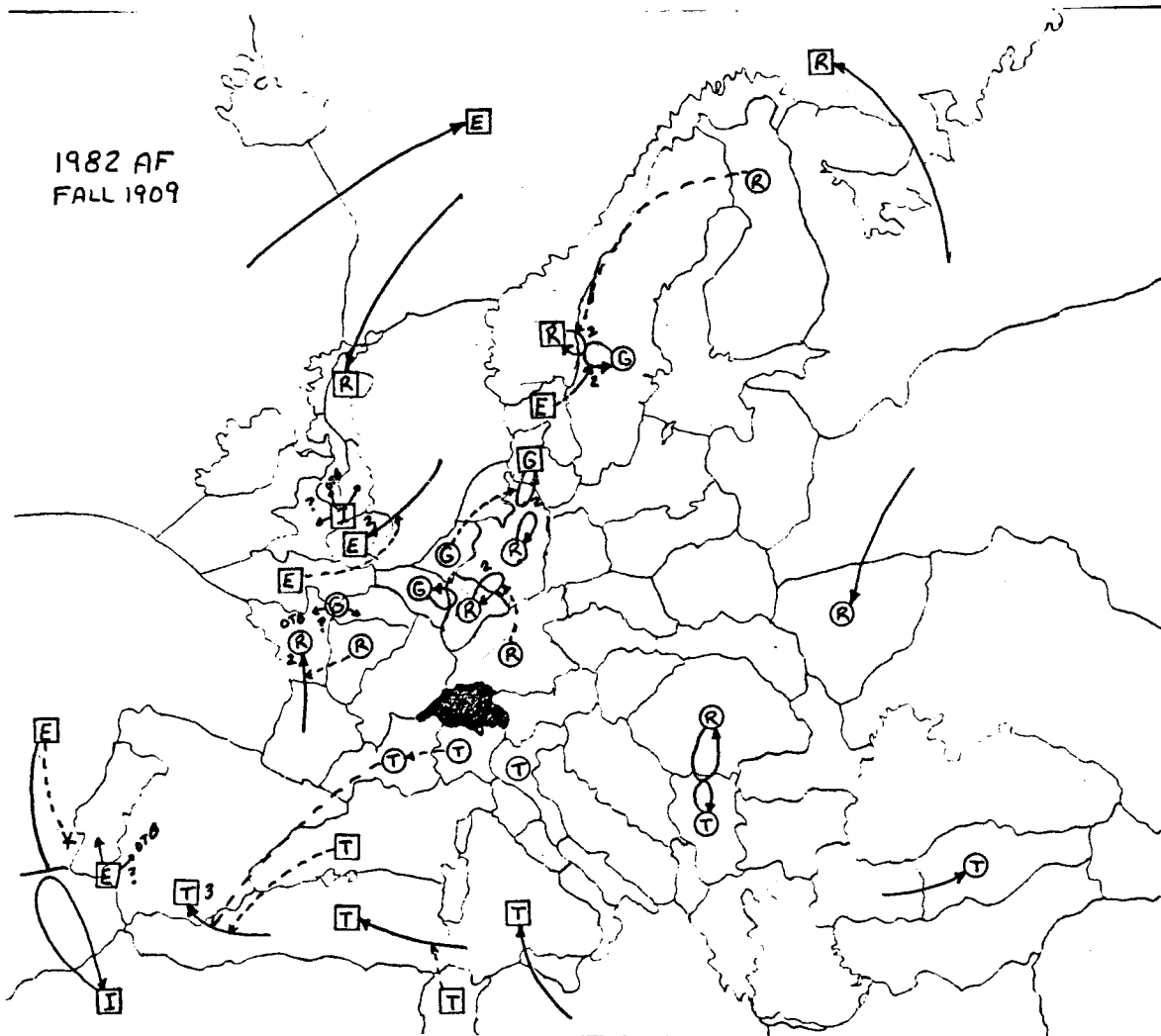
Supply Center Chart:

ENGLAND	Lpl, Por, <del>PAR</del> , <del>EDI</del> , <del>SPA</del> , <del>MAR</del> , LON	3 remove 3 (remove 2 if retr OTB)
GERMANY	Den, Hol, Swe, Bel, <del>BRE</del>	4 remove 1 (even if retr OTB)
ITALY	Rom, <del>LOA</del>	1 remove 1 (even if retr OTB)
RUSSIA	Mos, Sev, War, Rum, Bud, Vie, Stp, Ber, Mun, Kie, Nwy, EDI, PAR, BRE	14 build 3
TURKEY	Con, Ank, Smy, Bul, Gre, Ser, Tri, Tun, Ven, Nap, SPA, MAR	12 build 2

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PRESS:-----

Luigi Londoners-Germany: "Brest press" - - hey, that was cute, Robyn.  
 Italy-Russia: I'll help vs E while I last if you'll tell me ahead of time what to do. My position's really not worth my writing, you see.  
 Judy-Germany: Yes, they are growing back. You're the first to notice.  
 John-Chris: OK, sounds good.  
 England-Turkey: No, but it's an interesting idea. I guess you want to win this game.  
 Russia-Germany: When I didn't get a reply I had to assume the worst. This is a preemptive strike.



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PLUGGING OTHER PEOPLE'S OPENINGS

LIFE OF MONTY, Don Del Grande, 142 Eliseo Dr, Greenbrae, CA 94904-1339 has openings in his two subzines. In the subzine, FNORD, Mike Ehli, 1715 Cottonwood, Springfield, OR 97477, has three signed up, Gary Coughlan, (Michael?) Lee, and Ken Gestiehr Sr. In the subzine, Submarine Warfare, Derwood Bowen, 1643 Graniteway Lane, Columbus, OH 43229, has only Bob Olsen signed up. This subzine announced 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. (6/16/84)

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MARK BERCH DEPARTMENT

Warm and wonderful, just like me. Couldn't ask for better weather for whatever it is you want to do in the summer. I've been looking forward with great anticipation to the Olympics Soccer games that will be played at Stanford. This last weekend a bunch of friends and I decided to do some tailgating before the games. Should be fun. I've been watching the European Nations Cup matches on the Spanish Language television channel. Great games! The Spain-West Germany and Spain-Denmark matches were tremendous. I really liked Denmark's style of play. The France-Portugal match was good too. The Portuguese lost it in the final 6 minutes of overtime.

1982 CA

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1982 CA

FALL 1908

Austria (Keller) A VIE S A Tri, A TRI S F Gre-Alb, A SER S A Tri,  
 A GAL S Russian A War, F GRE-Alb, A BUD S A Tri  
 England (Tallman) A RUH S French A Mun, F NTH unordered (Fish for cod),  
 A Kie-BER, A Ber-PRU, A SIL S A Lvn-War, A LVN-War,  
 F BAR S A Nwy-Stp, A STP-Mos, F Pru-BAL, A NWY-Stp  
 France (Peel) F ADR-Tri, F TUN-Ion, F Nap-APU, F Tys-NAP,  
 A PIE S A Tyo, A VEN S F ADR-Tri, A ALB S F ADR-Tri,  
 A TYO S F ADR-Tri, A MUN S English A Sil-Boh nso,  
 F Lyo-TYS, F MAO H  
 Russia (Jung) A WAR S A Mos, F ION H, A MOS S A War, F AEG S F Ion,  
 A SEV S A Mos

Supply Center Chart:

AUSTRIA	Vie, Bud, Gre, Ser, Bul, Rum, Tri	7 plays 1 short
ENGLAND	Edi, Lon, Lpl, Nwy, Hol, Swe, Kie, Stp, Den, Ber	10 even
FRANCE	Mar, Par, Bre, Bel, Por, Spa, Ven, Tun, Rom, Nap, Mun	11 even
RUSSIA	Mos, Sev, War, Ank, Con, Smy	6 plays 1 short
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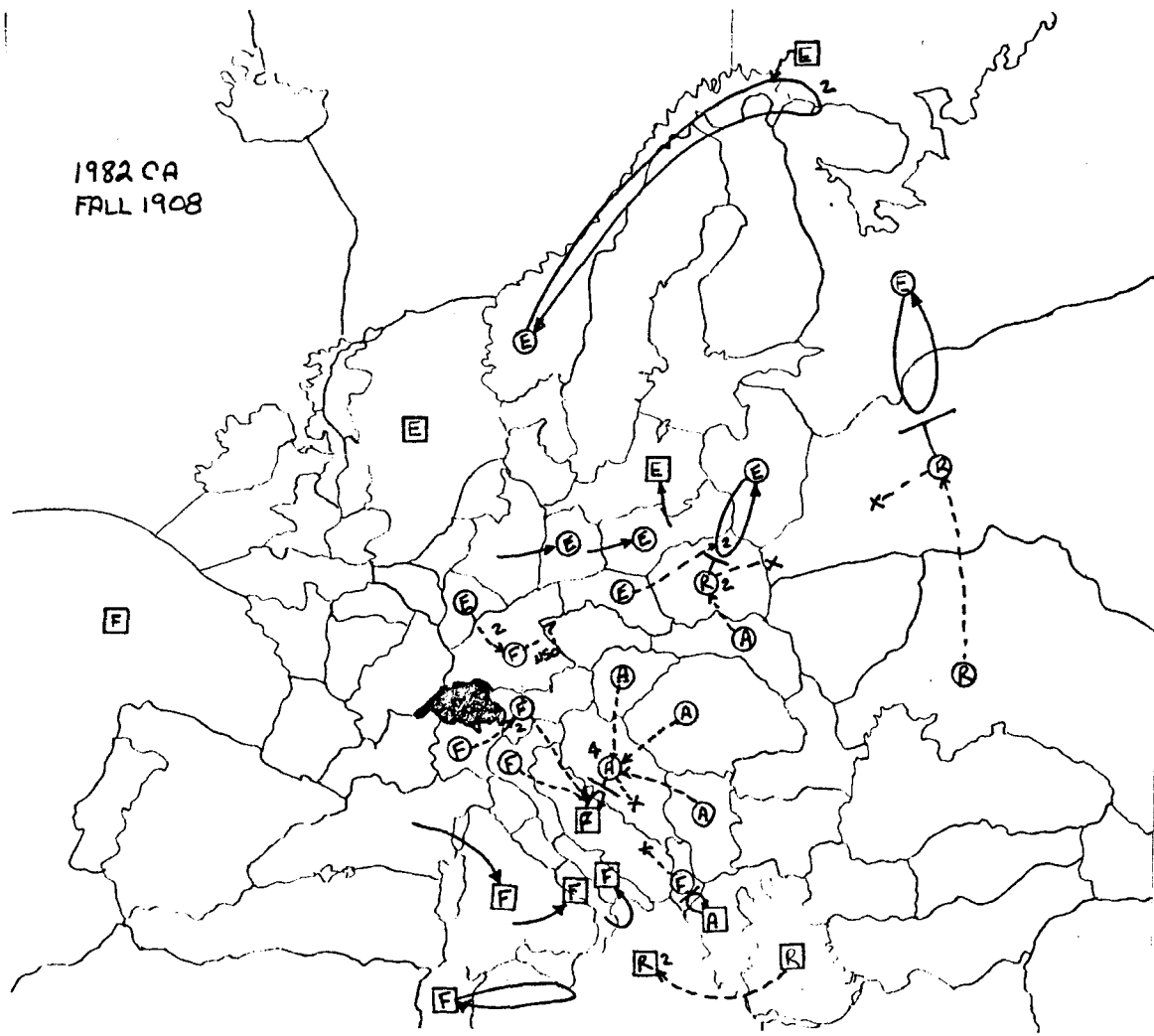
PRESS:-----

One of us to one of them: Next season? or the one after? I guess I could accept 2nd.

Peel-Tallman: Hey, this is fun! Slug! Bash! Pow! One province at a time! Look at them stumble back. I hope the SPCA doesn't hear about this!

Society for Province Capture Arbitration-Peel: Our president, Judy, wishes to inform you that we have heard about this and that the matter is being examined for possible action.

Judy-Carl Sagan: Is there an aurora around Uranus?  
 Carl-Judy: Not around mine there isn't.



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This came  
from Jim  
McPhail  
and is  
printed  
for my  
friend  
Jeff  
Albrecht



Feed Time — Assateague Island

Photo by Dr. R.R. Keipe

1982 HV

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1982 HV

AUTUMN 1907

Germany (McPhail) Retreat Fleet North Sea to Edinburgh

WINTER 1907

Austria (Morris) Build Fleet Trieste and Army Vienna  
 France (Graessle) Build Army Brest  
 Russia (Hawley) Build Army Moscow (plays 1 short)

SPRING 1908

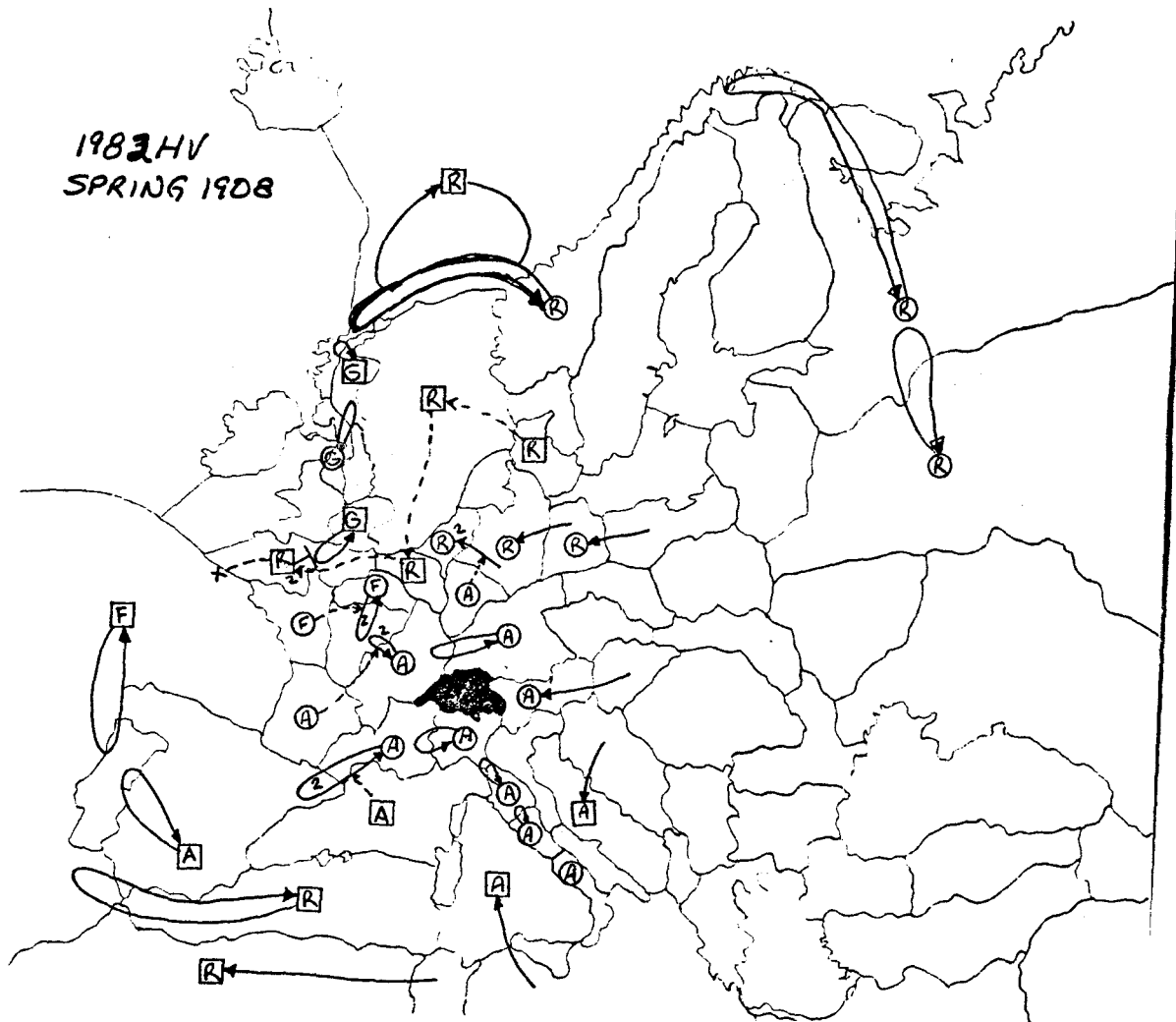
Austria (Morris) F LYO S A Mar-Spa, F SPA(SC)-Por, A ROM-Tus, A TUS-Pie,  
A PIE-Mar, A MAR-Spa, A BUR-Par, A GAS S A Bur-Par,  
A RUH S Russian A Kie-Hol, A NAP H, F Ion-TYS,  
A MUN-Bur, F Tri-ADR, A Vie-TYO  
 France (Graessle) F MAO-Por, A PIC-Par, A BRE S A Pic-Par  
 Germany (McPhail) F LON-Eng, A LPL-Edi, F EDI-Cly  
 Russia (Hawley) A NWY-Cly, F ENG S F Wes-Mao, F DEN S F Nth,  
F BEL S F Eng, A Kie-HOL, A Ber-KIE, A Pru-BER,  
F Tun-NAF, F WES-Mao, F NTH S F Bel, F NWG C A Nwy-Cly,  
A STP-Nwy, A MOS-Stp

Deadline for Fall 1908 moves is Thursday, August 16, 1984. The Russian/Austrian draw fails.

PRESS:-----

Germany-Judy: You're correct and more - I'd not trade Alberta for anywhere in the U.S. I get too tense in a country where it seems one's constitutional duty is to have a gun. Even my U.S. caver pals take rifles! I guess I have some of that. I'm playing this wargame.

Judy-Germany: I don't feel it's necessary to have a gun, just good insurance. My car was broken into, the stereo stolen and the dash ripped up. Guns scare me. I couldn't imagine crawling (spelunking?) around with a rifle. I don't think of Diplomacy as a wargame. It's a game of human relations, but so is war I guess. I would guess that there's more talking in Diplomacy than in a wargame. I don't think that a player who concentrates on positional strategies in Diplomacy and ignores diplomacy does very well, which makes it different than a wargame, doesn't it? So you're OK!



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1982HV Press continued

Austria-Switzerland: What do Ohio and Switzerland have in common? Both are small, cold and insignificant.

Charlie-Judy: The only thing I inhale when cooking is beer, not smoke. As everyone but women knows, the direction the wind blows is somewhat easy to judge. I'm willing to go to great lengths to get a good meal, but cooking is ridiculously easy. One more case where women have exaggerated difficulties. Have you heard Dave Carter's latest, "A woman is an attachment you screw on a bed to get the housework done."

Judy-Charlie: Gee, you guys must know something about wind that I don't. When I barbecue, no matter where I stand, the smoke finds me. You guys can't have it oth ways. You say cooking is easy, others have claimed that the best cooks are men. If it's easy, why are the best cooks men? Are you only good at easy tasks? I don't think women exaggerate the difficulties of things, merely try to get your awareness of how menial and unrewarding some things are. The difficulty is not in the execution, just the monotony and lack of reward. Dave Carter is going to win his award yet!

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\*\*\* I suspect Richard Edison's in Europe. I won't call a standby for his NMR. If he doesn't return, I'll put Austria in civil disorder.

1983 N

AUTUMN 1905

Germany (Michalski) Retreat Army Berlin to Kiel

WINTER 1905

Austria (Edison)	NRR! Remove Army Naples and Army Apulia
France (Brown)	Build Army Paris, Fleet Marseilles and Fleet Brest
Germany (Michalski)	Remove Army Finland
Russia (Tallman)	Build Army Sevastopol
Turkey (Winger)	Build Fleet Smyrna, Army Constantinople, and Army Ankara and plays 1 short

SPRING 1906

Austria (Edison)	NMR! A TYO H, A Tri H disl retr Alb, Otb
England (Torkelson)	F Lon-NTH
France (Brown)	A BUR-Ruh, A BEL S A Bur-Ruh, F TYS S F Rom-Nap, A PIE S A Ven, F Rom-NAP, F TUN H, A VEN S Turkish A Ser-Tri, F EDI S English F Lon-Nth, A PAR-Bur, F Mar-LYO, F Bre-MAO
Germany (Michalski)	A HOL-Bel, A KIE-Ruh, F Nwy-NWG, F Swe-NWY, F BAL S A Mun-Ber, A Mun-BER
Russia (Tallman)	A Mos-SEV, A Ber-SIL, A Sil-WAR, F STP(NC) H, A Sev-RUM
Turkey (Winger)	F ION S French A Rom-Nap, F GRE S F Ion, A Ser-TRI, A VIE S A Ser-Tri, A BUD S A Ser-Tri, F Smy-AEG, A Ank-CON, A Con-BUL

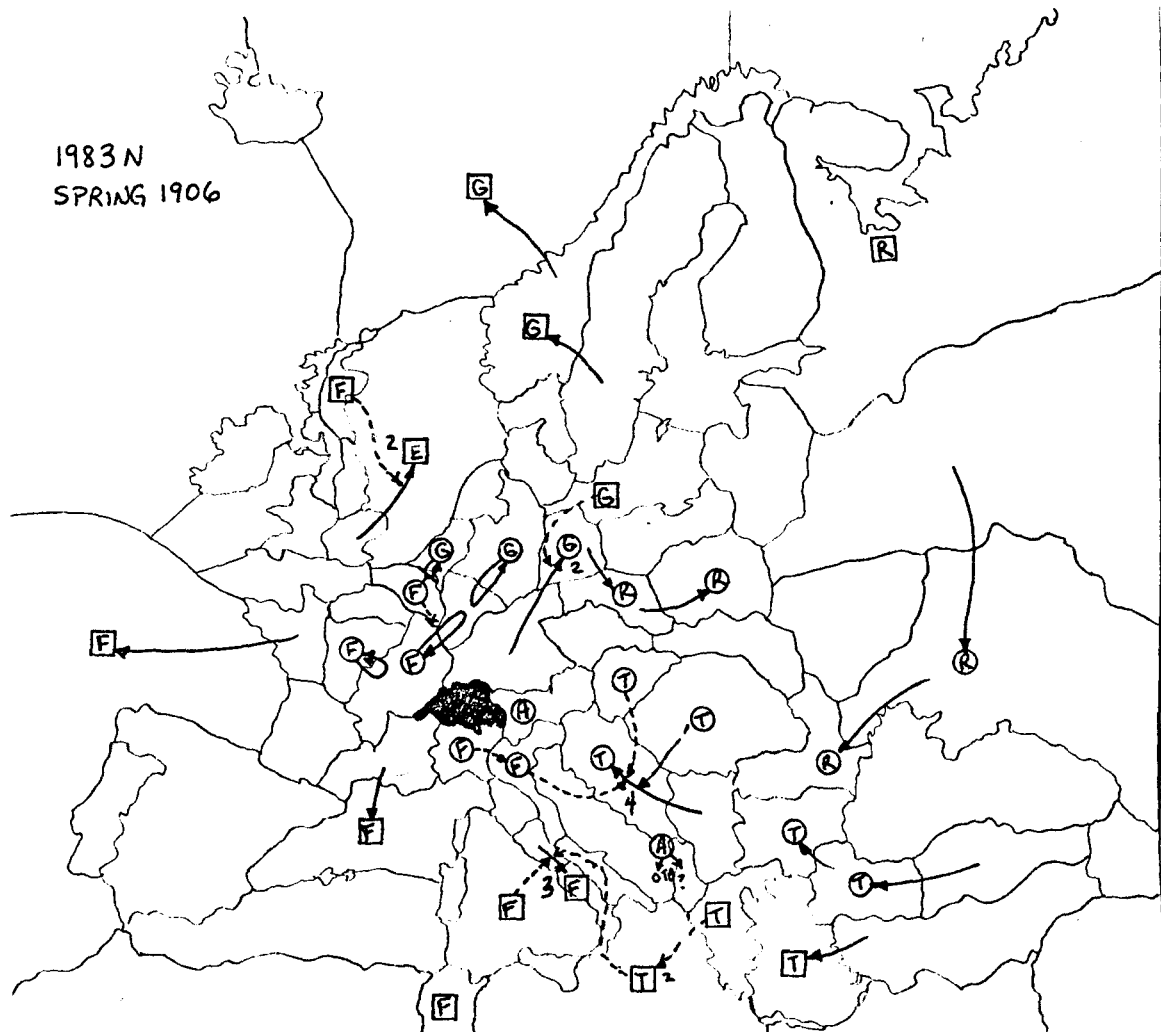
Deadline for Summer 1906 retreat and Fall 1906 moves is Thursday, August 16, 1984.

PRESS:-----

Germany-Russia: Good news, Terry! More excuse now for Fluff stories! Hey, use Munich and pass me by. How's 'bout a truce line where we stand?

Russia-Turkey: If you built fleets we're still buddies.





1983N Press-----

North Sea: Much refreshed after his warm welcome home, Admiral Lightarmour took his crew to sea again. At dinner with General Blackbluster that evening, he talked at length of his deep concern about the precarious position of the homeland. Finally, Blackbluster felt he had to speak.

"Buck up Lightarmour," he interrupted. "No matter how bloody and bent I get, I face the world erect again when I recall my sweet little sister and her plucky motto: If at first you don't suck seed, keep on sucking!"

Paris: President Jacques Pervért looked up from his map as the Minister of War entered the chamber. The Minister gave the room a brief glance, taking in some of the royal splendor of the Presidential Palace. "Yes Andre, what is it now?" Pervért asked as his eyes met the eyes of Andre Levebvre, French War Minister.

Levebvre cleared his throat and said, "You know how you were bragging in your state speech last night that we had thrown the evil Austrian forces from the heel of the Italian Peninsula? Well, we haven't. There is still Austrian resistance in and around Naples!"

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1983 N Press Continued -----

Pervert stood up. His eyes narrowed as his gaze burned into Lebebvre. "Then give the orders at once! Naples must fall NOW! All Austrian soldiers are to be shot on sight. Take no prisoners! Kill! Maim! Destroy!" shouted the French President. As he bit off the last words, a frothy foam began forming around his mouth and he fell heavily to the floor. Lebebvre stared as the President's chair thudded to the ground, kicked over by the writhing Pervert, whose convulsions twisted him into crazy positions on the floor. Lebebvre turned and strode briskly from the room on his way back to give the orders commanded by the spasmodic president.

"It's too bad news of French military failures always has such an effect on him," the Minister of War thought as he left the Palace. Then he chuckled as he thought, "And I thought there was a strange twist to 1983N Press. . ."

Constantinople: The Great and omnipotent Sultan Win-Ger, Ruler of the great Turkish state, conqueror of Austria, protector of the Southeast quadrant and friend of Russia and France alike casts its 9 electoral votes for the Office of President for that stalwart of conservative thought, Governor George Wallace. Sorry folks, the Sultan was just caught up in election fever. As his press secretary, I think I can speak for the Sultan when I say what he meant to say was hello to the world powers and especially to his allies, President Jacques Pervert and Tsar Tallman, the Terrible, noting that coordination of future moves may require correspondence in excess of that historically received at the winter palace.

Winger-All: Please note that I will have a temporary change of address effective from July 10 through August 15 during which I will be assigned to the Postal Service Bomb Squad at the Olympics. You remember the Olympics, the Official Games of the 1984 Products? Forward as follows: Tim Winger, c/o The Valley Hilton Hotel, 15433 Ventura Blvd., Sherman Oaks, CA 91403.

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1983 CK

SUMMER 1904

Austria (Mazzer) Retreat Fleet Tyrrhenian Sea to Gulf of Lyon

1983 CK

FALL 1904 (SUMMER ON PREVIOUS PAGE)

Austria (Mazzer) A GAL S Turkish A Mos-War, A Ser-TRI,  
 F VEN S A Ser-Tri, A ROM S A Apu-Nap, A Apu-NAP,  
 A Tri-VIE, F LYO-Tys  
 England (Stark) A BEL H, A BRE-Par, F Mao-POR, F NWY-Stp(nc),  
 F Den-Kie disl retr Ska, Swe, Bal, Otb,  
 A LPL H, F NTH S A Bel  
 France (Wall) A PAR H  
 Germany (Schilling) F Hel-DEN, A Bur-MUN, A PIC-Bre, A KIE S F Hel-Den  
 Italy (Knight) F SPA(SC)-Lyo, A MAR H, A Tyo-PIE,  
 F Nap-Tys annihilated, F TYS-Tun  
 Russia (Torkelson) A STP-Mos, A War S A Stp-Mos disl retr Liv, Ukr,  
 Sil, Pru, Otb  
 Turkey (Cunning) F AEG S F Ion, F Bla-CON, A Mos-WAR, A SEV-Mos,  
 A GRE H, F ION S Austrian A Apu-Nap, F TUN S F Ion

Supply Center Chart

AUSTRIA	Vie, Bud, Tri, Ser, Ven, <del>TUN</del> , Rum, ROM, NAP	8	build 1
ENGLAND	Lon, Edi, Bel, Nwy, Bre, Hol, Swe, <del>Den</del> , POR, LPL	9	build 2 unless retr otb then play 1 short
FRANCE	<del>VPT</del> , PAR	1	even
GERMANY	Kie, Mun, Ber, <del>PAR</del> , DEN	4	even
ITALY	<del>ROM</del> , <del>MAR</del> , Mar, Spa, <del>POR</del>	2	remove 1
RUSSIA	Stp, <del>WAR</del>	1	remove 1
TURKEY	Ank, Con, Smy, Sev, Bul, Gre, Mos, WAR, TUN	9	build 2
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Press:-----

Berlin-Vienna: As I recall, that game ended in a two way E/F draw, between Eric Kane (E) and me (F). Phyllis was I and first out...

Berlin-London: Sooner than you think here. How about a nomination for the 1985 Dave Carter award. Brian Creese, the pubber of NMR!. Issue number 48 had a picture of a young woman removing her underpants. She didn't have much else on either...

Paris: Hmmm. First I begin with no friends and 3 dots. Why do I become popular when I'm at one unit?

Judy-Paris: Don't look a gift horse in the mouth.

Paris-London: Thank you.

Paris-Munich: Thank you.

Paris-Rome: You're mud on pastry who bad mouths honest working wtudents.

England-Turkey: Come on Cathy - in one letter you said that you wanted to be next to you - and now you say you don't - make up your mind!

The Wall-Mazzer: Our very own scaly skinned wonder is Cathy Cunning.

Vienna-Italy: Ockknay offway ethay Atinlay!

St Petersburg or Warsaw: Tsarina Xherpes II warns her invaders not to penetrate any farther. Else she will be forced to order he mighty lesions into battle.

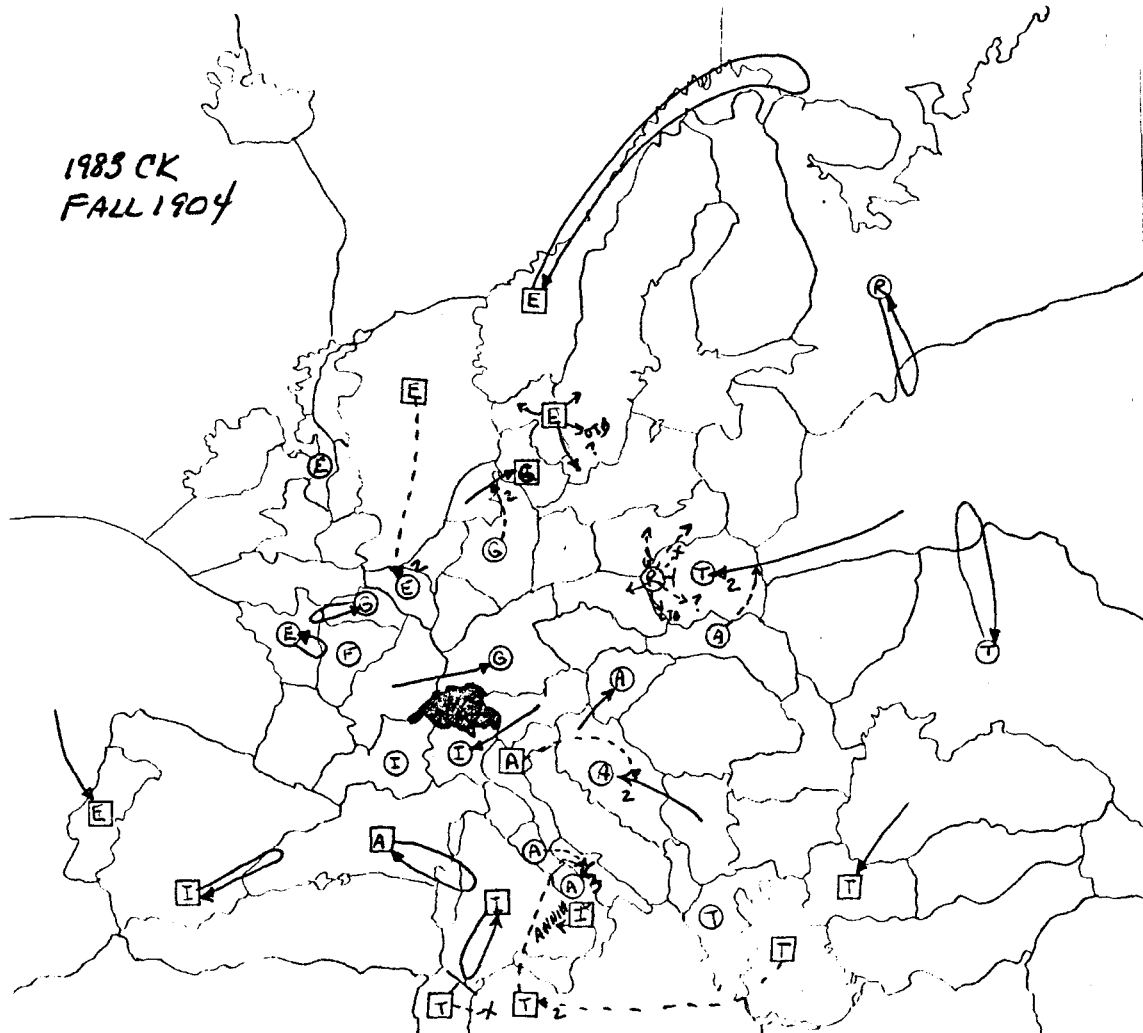
Cunning-Cupcake: But you're such a cute door mat, I couldn't help it.

Turkey-Russia: Too bad you're taken over now. The cards are in motion and I fear it's too late for you.

Naples-Constantinople: Now take my strings - please.

Naples-Vienna: Now take my strings - please.

Switzerland-France: Is this what you call hanging on by the skin of your teeth!



1983 CK Press Continued -----

Roaming the Streets of Rome: Foulfellow and Gideona were kicking cobblestones out of their way as they ambled down the streets of the burnt city that had once, long ago, been the glory of Europe. The former spoke up. "Liebchen - er, Sweetness, I must say that things are proceeding extremely well, don't you think?" He paused to sniff the air in front of a baker bearing a sign reading: GOING OUT OF BUSINESS! EVERYTHING MUST GO! "Yes, my little kitten," he continued, "I can see nothing that will prevent us from accomplishing our goals."

The cat purred and took a drag on her hookah. "Yes, Sahib-er, my friend," she agreed, as they continued walking in front of a wordcarver's shop. GEPPETTO, the sign read. "We have nothing to doubt but ourselves, my sly fox," she laughed. Foulfellow only smiled at that. A small figure walked out of this woodcarver's shop behind them, whistling. "How amusing," remarked the fox, "a little wooden boy." The two of them both did a double take. "A LITTLE WOODEN BOY?"

A smile crept over Foulfellow's face as Gideona absent-mindedly fingered her dagger.

London-Berlin: I did what I said; now to see if you did what you didn't say.

England-Italy: Sorry but - I did not hear from you so I thought you were going to NMR.

London-Austria: I'd prefer you to go north rather than west.

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1983CK Press Continued -----

C.U.P.C.A.K.E.: At last, the true story can be told. The reorganization here at Corporation headquarters following the untimely demise of the former staff has only been hampered by the recent necessity of transferring the kitchens to, believe it or not, ocean-going vessels. Hence, the gruesome story of the secret behind a few Turkish pastries our agents were able to secure from the royal household is long overdue. The story would have been even longer in coming though, had not a large wave during a stormy night caused one of our chefs to cut his finger while attempting to duplicate the Turkish recipe. Yes, dear readers, the "secret ingredient" in Turkish pastries that has made them so popular throughout the east is HUMAN BLOOD. When it is reported that the Sultana herself gorges on pastry throughout the day, is it any wonder the advent of the Turks strikes terror into the hearts of decent-thinking people everywhere?

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RED LETTERS

From John Michalski of Moore, OK:

"Oh, well. Frauke would have nominated me ((for the Dave Carter Award)) if she'd been in the US."

((John, I hate to disappoint you, but have you ever considered the idea that you may not be a blatant sexist?))

And another note from John:

"So Californians don't re-don the same shorts? ((referring to a comment I made in the Dave Carter Award Nomination discussion in the last issue))

Touche, you got me good on that one. However, what do Californians do when they're on an out-of-town audit and find they only have yesterday's pair left with Friday still to go?"

((John, I apologize for the insensitive comment. I was trying to be funny and I'm sorry it was at your expense. My girls would have told me "That was tight." Women have it a little easier if they wear nylon underwear. They can wash it out in the sink and it dries fast. I am not comfortable in it, so would have the same problem you did. But a woman can only imagine what it must have felt like. Cold, huh?))

This from Conrad Minshall of Austin, TX:

"My WINSOME-LOSESOME address label says: "\$0.00 CR \$4.20 BL (12)". I suppose that means it's time to renew my subscription? Check...is enclosed-keep up the good work.

Interesting "doodling of your own" there on page 16. Looks like something out of the TAT. Or a perverted Dali. But "perverted Dali" is redundant, I suppose.

Did you mangle Mark Hogue's letter as badly as mine? (It left me somewhat confused.) I know next to nothing about philosophy but this "Pragmatism" seems poorly named. How could an "altruistic creed" be associated with situation ethics and power-hungry people? And how could something labelled "Pragmatism" be impractical? Has someone been smoking too much Zen lately? As to his last question: yes, there seem to be many hobbyists who are Libertarian at heart, if not at the voting booth. Such individualists (like me) usually believe in the supremacy of reason and in individual freedom. The drawback, of course, is that "reason" is in the eye of the beholder and that individual's freedoms tend to conflict.

(Minshall's letter continued from page 13)

Your response to S. Langley surprised me somewhat. You're making an unusually narrow definition of sexism when you limit it to gender stereotyping. More commonly, sexual behavior is assumed to be a reliable indicator of inner views. And it generally is. You jestly refused the bait - score: Winsome 1, Langley 0. Now what about Steve's (valid) statement "if such fantasies were presented by a man..." Ignoring the tough ones, eh? You could lose your point for that!

I've been gorging myself on back issues lately. One DD called "Winsome" a famous pseudonym, or some such. What's the story? Does it have anything to do with pigtails?

Will I have the pleasure of verifying your existence in Dallas? Hope so - ten days vacation a year keeps me on a short leash - and when I do get to the west coast on business or for a computer conference, I never seem to have time to drop in on anyone."

((Thanks for the great letter and the several issues you raised. Can you guess which one caused me the most consternation? I was most concerned over the mangled letters and rushed to check to see what I had done. I think I did my best to repeat what you had on your card, but I must have misread something.

I think I had better change the code on my address labels. You are due for a subscription renewal for several months yet. I am returning your check with a draft of this page. I am flattered that you want to renew, but it's too soon, and I feel my label mislead you. The CR refers to credit amounts that I give, for an article, for standing by, whatever. The BL is the total balance of what you paid and what I gave you. I probably should just print the total balance to avoid confusion. I think the best solution is to just explain the label with every issue in the lead in section.

How did you know I did the drawings for the Thematic Apperception Test? I'm rather proud of myself for knowing what TAT stood for, but first thought you were speaking of a 'zine. As I think about it, that would be a great name for a 'zine except we deal in written responses rather than verbal. Actually, my doodling takes place during business meetings. My Dad used to do a lot of doodling when he was on the phone. It must be in the genes.

I'm not a student of philosophy, but your comments on Pragmatism and Libertarianism seem to make sense to me. Perhaps Mark will respond.

I don't believe I understand what you mean by one's sexual behavior being a reliable indicator of inner views. I assume you are referring to inner views regarding gender roles. I think people could share the same views regarding gender roles yet have differing sexual behavior, even different sexual preferences. I don't know if you are aware of the humor of your scorekeeping between Steve Langley and me. Steve wrote an article a few months back on the subject of "winning" and how it detracts from how we deal with each other. He wasn't talking strictly about winning at games such as Diplomacy but about how we often have to be right or to maintain our position in relation to others. Take my point away because I don't want to win in competition with Steve. My point in response to his nomination was honest. I think of sexism as I do racism. I think both come from our expectations about people because of a perceived physical difference. We see a person is of a certain sex or race and base our way of behaving with regard to that person on our stereotypes of that sex or race.

Regarding Steve's statement that if a man were to pander to the basic male sex fantasies, the label of sexist would be the mildest of labels attached to him. Steve was just trying to sell his theme here. He was daring me to select Daphne because if I were not to, I could be labeled a hypocrite and perhaps even sexist. If a man were to do what Steve says, he would probably be labeled a publisher.

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Yes, Winsome is a pseudonym, but famous only within the narrow confines of Dipdom. Besides returning your check, I'm also sending you a copy of the issue in which Judy came out of the closet.

Thanks for the great letter, and the opportunity to respond to your comments. Sorry I will not be in Dallas to meet you.))

From Tim Winger, a Postal Inspector and old friend:

"Well, my 007 stuff is over for a while, and here is the newsclipping documenting almost four months of work. I'll be back here in Denver until the 10th of July. From that date until August 15, I'll be back in the Los Angeles area. I'll be working the Olympics on the Postal Service bomb squad. We'll be screening the parcels destined for delivery to the Olympic villages. With the withdrawal of the Communist Bloc countries, the job may have been made easier. It seems that the worry was not so much based on the general paranoia of international terrorism but concern over the great collection of domestic crazies.

But, enough of the work stuff. It is obvious why I couldn't discuss the last four months until now. It's not longer a secret and the Olympic assignment is open for the general public knowledge. After that, I should be home for a while so I won't miss any more deadlines.

If you haven't noticed, I'm back on the wordprocessor. Around Christmas, I went through 8, that's right, eight, Coleco ADAM computers without one of them holding together. Since they had a great demand, they cut the quality control aspect of production to nothing, it would appear. Since I had about 50 pages of a novel committed to their format, and you still can't beat the price of an 80K computer with a built in software package for WP and a letter quality printer all for less than \$700, I waited six months for them to get their act together and got another one. Wish me luck."

((Good luck on both your word processor and your novel. Lots of sex in it I'd suppose. Some humor too? The one good thing about the Communist Bloc countries boycotting is your job will be a lot safer. I'm glad. It's a shame that work has to come between us and playing Diplomacy. Below is the clipping Tim sent me from the Los Angeles Herald Examiner Friday, June 15, 1984))

## Five held on drug charges in post office investigation

By Eric Bidna  
Herald staff writer

A "sting" operation in which U.S. Postal Service undercover agents posed as post office employees led to the arrest of five suspects on drug charges, authorities said yesterday.

The suspects, all Postal Service employees, were arrested on separate felony charges of selling cocaine to undercover postal inspectors at the Marina del Rey Mail Processing Facility and the World Way Postal Center at Los Angeles International Airport.

Amounts the suspects allegedly tried to sell ranged from 10 grams of cocaine to less than half a gram.

Each of the suspects, including a 14-year Postal Service employee, was arraigned in U.S. District Court yesterday before U.S. Magistrate James J. Penne on one count of possession and one count of distributing cocaine. The arrests were made late Wednesday night and early yesterday morning.

The suspects were released on \$5,000 and \$10,000 bail. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for July 5.

Postal Inspector Bill Watson said more than five suspects had originally been under investigation. But he would not comment on whether similar investigations were under way at other facilities or whether the investigation at the Marina and airport offices was closed.

He said the suspects apparently did not use the mail to obtain or ship drugs.

Arrested at the Marina facility were Los Angeles residents Mercedes Evans, 33, the 14-year employee; Harriet Anderson, 26, a clerk; and Mike Nelson, 28, a mail distributor.

Taken into custody at the airport office were Wendell Butler, 30, of Long Beach, an operator, and Elizabeth Tarvyd, 24, of Los Angeles, a distribution clerk.

Watson said, "To my knowledge, they (the suspects) were unrelated. There was no kind of group activity."

He said the investigation had been initiated by the U.S. Postal Service after receiving information from "unnamed sources."

Watson said the investigation took months in order to arrest all the suspects.

"An arrest earlier would have jeopardized the arrest of others," Watson said.

Affidavits filed in court yesterday by each of the postal investigators revealed that each posed under a pseudonym and remained undercover.

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