



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 the fourteenth most notable GM in the hobby, 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 use five week deadlines. The deadline for this issue is Thursday, February 14, 1985 - Valentine's Day.

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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, Lynn Torkelson, Chris Hawkins, Charlie Morris, John Michalski, George Graessle, Joe Stark and Sigourney Street are receiving this issue free for being a standby or for submitting standby orders. Joe Stark submitted standby orders for Turkey in 1982 AF. Sigourney Street has been called to submit standby orders for Russia in 1983N.

Standbys: Steve Knight, Jack Jung, Terry Tallman, Jerry White(ns), Ron Galicia(ns), Jim Stevens(ns), Sheldon Fugate(ns), Charles Fargo(ns), Charlie Morris, Robyn Finley, Joe Stark

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THE PIG WITH THE WOODEN LEG

I visited a friend at his farm the other day. After we talked and drank for awhile he had some chores to do so I followed him about the farm. We passed the pig pen and I saw one of the pigs had an artificial leg. I asked my friend about it. He pointed out that one section of his house had been recently rebuilt. It seems he was sleeping in that section one night and it caught on fire. The pig came into the house and dragged him out, saving his life. I asked if the pig had been injured in the fire and if that was how it lost it's leg. "No", he replied. "Then how did he get that wooden leg?" I asked. "Well, one day I was plowing the back section, you know, the one that drops down to the creek? Well, the tractor turned over and pinned my leg under it. This pig comes along and digs around under my leg and frees it." "Did the tractor then fall on it's leg?" I asked. "No." "Then please tell me how it lost it's leg." "Well, after a pig saves your life twice, you don't like to eat him all at once."

(The famous pig's picture is one page -----)

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1982 AF ENDED - BOARDMAN NUMBER CUSTODIAN PLEASE SEE PAGE 2

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1982 AF

ITALY - - - John Michalski, RT 10 Box 526 Q, Moore, OK 73165
 RUSSIA - - - Chris Hawkins, P O Box 45398, Seattle, WA 98145
 * TURKEY - - - Mark Keller, 2 Seaside Court, Sacramento, CA 95831
 GAMES PERSON Judy Winsome, 3902 Lakemead Way, Redwood City, CA 94062

* Change of address. Mark Keller submitted orders so receives the draw as Turkey. Thank you Joe Stark for submitting standby orders.

1982 AF

GAME ENDS IN RUSSIAN-TURKISH DRAW !!!!

I received three votes for the R/T draw. The game is over and congratulations go to Mark Keller and Chris Hawkins for their win and to John Michalski for his survival as a one center Italy. This was the first game to start in WINSOME-LOSESOME and is the third one to finish. The game started on March 17, 1982. Players please submit end game comments by Thursday, February 14, 1985.

Boardman Number: 1982 AF
 Zeen: WINSOME-LOSESOME GM: Judy Winsome

THE PLAYERS

AUSTRIA Windy Windblad (Out F03)
 ENGLAND Mark Duarte (Drop F08), Charlie Morris (Out F11)
 FRANCE David Perlmutter (Out F05)
 GERMANY Robyn Finley (Out F11)
 ITALY John Michalski (Survived W11)
 RUSSIA Larry McCloud (Drop F07), Chris Hawkins (Draw W11)
 TURKEY Mark Keller (Draw W11)

SUPPLY CENTERS

	<u>01</u>	<u>02</u>	<u>03</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>05</u>	<u>06</u>	<u>07</u>	<u>08</u>	<u>09</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>
A	4	3	0								
E	4	5	5	6	7	7	8	6	3	1	0
F	5	5	3	1	0						
G	5	6	6	6	6	5	5	5	4	2	0
I	4	4	6	6	5	3	2	2	1	1	1
R	7	6	8	8	9	10	10	11	14	15	17
T	4	5	6	7	7	9	9	10	12	15!	16+

+ played 2 short
 ! played 3 short

PLUGGING OTHER PEOPLE'S OPENINGS

SLEEPLESS KNIGHTS by Dave Carter, 118 Horsham Ave, Willowdale, Ontario, Canada, M2N 1Z9 has openings in four games. BILBURG GMd by Carter is a 2 1/2 week game, \$3 game fee, 35¢ for fliers between issues - Barry Hickey, Alan Stewart, Bruce McIntyre, Rob Peart, and Gerein signed up. Two other games open are CEBU GMd by Bruce McIntyre (signed up are Ron Snyder, Bob Acheson, Ste Marseilles, and K. Innes) and DASHEEN GMd by Barry Hickey (signed up is Jerry Falkiner) (12/15/84)

THE DOGS OF WAR, John Daly, Route 2, Box 136-M5, Rockwell, NC 28138. Game fee will be \$3.50 plus a \$3 refundable NMR deposit. Don't forget to send a preference list. John needs another player or two. (12/12/84)

THE GAMER'S 'ZINE, Earl Whiskeyman, 27 Mark Street, Milford, CT 06460. Game fee \$4 including a \$2 NMR fee. Subs are 12 for \$5, 6 for \$3 or 60¢ each. After 2/17/85 they become 12 for \$5.50, 6 for \$3.50 or 65¢ each. New game #12. No one signed up yet. (12/7/84)

HAI! JIKAI!, Mark Keller, 2 Seaside Court, Sacramento, CA 95831. Openings in one game of regular Diplomacy. Game Fee \$3. You must sub to play. Subs are 30¢ per issue. 6 week deadlines. Graessle signed up. (12/12/84)

DIPLOMACY JOUST

Jim Bumpas, who publishes Liberterrean has announced a Diplomacy Joust. He is asking all the West Coast publishers to select a "champion" from among their players to represent their 'zines in a regular Diplomacy game to be played in Liberterrean. I think it is a great idea, and I would like suggestions from you who Winsome-Losesome's "champion" should be. If you would like to be my champion or want to suggest someone, please write. I will bear the cost, if any, for my "champion" to play. Who would like to do battle for fair Judy's 'zine? He or she must be of good character, incapable of NMRing, and wily and sneaky. That describes just about all of you.

WE GOT A RIGHT ANSWER!

Last issue I printed a mathematical question as a filler on page 2. The correct answer was (d) 28. Robert L. Stimme1 of Sacramento CA was the first to submit the correct answer and I have credited his subscription balance with \$1 accordingly. He had done it the hard way with his calculator first before discovering the easy way. The easy way was:

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(4)*(5)=(20)*(5)=(2)*(5)*(10)=(2)*(10)*(10)=2 x10 =128 x 10
which has 28 digits.

Here's another one, if you want to try another one:

1000 equals (A) 62,500 (B) 1000 (C) 500 (D) 250 (E) 1/2
2 2
252 - 248

1982 HV

AUSTRIA Charlie Morris, 14238 Sylvania Dr., Cypress, TX 77429
 FRANCE George Graessle, 326 Park Place, Irvington, NJ 07111
 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

1982 HV

ENDGAME STATEMENTS

Boardman Number: 1982 HV

Zeen: WINSOME LOSESOME

GM: Judy Winsome

THE PLAYERS

AUSTRIA Charlie Morris (Draw A09)
 ENGLAND James Wall (Out F04)
 FRANCE Bart Riggs (Res F20), Roland Louie (Drop F07), George Graessle (Sur A09)
 GERMANY Dan Stafford (Res F04), Jim McPhail (Sur A09)
 ITALY Scott Lucas (Res F02), Bill Placek (Drop F04), Tim Allen (Drop S06), S
 Civil Disorder (Out F07)
 RUSSIA Bill Hawley (Draw A09)
 TURKEY William Wood (Out F04)

SUPPLY CENTERS

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09
A	5	6	7	9	10	12	14	15	17
E	4	3	1	0					
F	5	5	5	5	6	6	3	2	1
G	5	6	7	8	6	3	3	2	1
I	3	4	4	3	2	1	0		
R	6	7	8	9	10	12	14*	15+	15
T	4	3	2	0					

Notes: * means played one short
 + means played two short

End Game Statement:

AUSTRIA (Charlie Morris): I guess the only thing to say is that it isn't often you get to play with a person as congenial as Bill Hawley. He and I discovered we had many things in common, especially a love for British Colonial miniatures (the Sudan Campaign of 1898). I could have stabbed him and won the game, but it wasn't worth it to alienate a new found friend. For a carpetbagging, ambulance chasing Yankee lawyer, he's all right.

We had to overcome some pretty good players too, like George Graessle, Jim McPhail, Tim Allen and James Wall. Good luck to all of them.

Last but not least, thanks to Judy Winsome our GM. Although I think a few of m attempts at humor offended her, she's a good sport and very professional in all aspects of the game. She's even allowed to be eccentric and bizarre since she lives in California.

((Same to you Cowboy! I like your priorities and I don't remember ever being offended. I had just as much fun as you did, I think. I certainly enjoyed your attention. Good luck in your other games. I hope we meet sometime in person and on the Diplomacy battlefield. You'll recognize me by my eccentric brassiere.))

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FRANCE (George Graessle) Taking over a 3 center France in F07, against two 14 center allies isn't much fun. I did all I could to survive, and the fact that neither Austria or Russia answered my letters didn't help, but then that's Diplomacy.

I probably would have had to of been around from the beginning to understand it all, especially the Austrian and Russian relationship with each other, but I did see one interesting occurrence that will stick in my mind for a while. With Austria at 17 centers and the 18th a cinch to be had, and Russia NMR's, why Austria didn't move to win the game is beyond me. Loyalty is one thing, foolishness is another. After Russia NMR'd I couldn't fault Austria if he grabbed the win, especially with victory so close, and the fact that a second NMR by Russia would cause a new leader who could care to seek the win on his/her own. Why take the chance? Please, keep in mind this is just my opinion, though at a recent Byrne-con I asked several people what they would do in such a situation. The majority would of grabbed the win, seeing Russia's NMR not as the excuse for the betrayal, but as the reason to take the win. That show of loyalty has been rare in the games that I've seen, and depending on the circumstances it could be admired, questioned or ridiculed. But it provided me with food for thought.

((I think you will get some clues from Austria's statement above. Some things have a momentum of their own, and fortunately, friendship's one of them. As for Diplomacy, I would just take note of that linkage should you ever get in another game with the Hawley-Morris duo. I don't mind that kind of cross-gaming, I don't mind any kind actually, if you know it's a possibility it helps the predictability. Congratulations on your survival, it was tough! And thanks for the kind note on Looking Ahead.))

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THIRD ANNUAL DAVE CARTER AWARD CONTEST

The time has come to make nominations for the third annual Dave Carter Award. This award is given to the most sexist person in the hobby. Scott Hanson won it in its inaugural year. Last year Steve Hutton was the proud recipient after a hard fought contest, narrowly beating, oops, defeating Daphne Langley. The deadline for nominations, according to tradition, is Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12, 1985.

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EPILOGUE

I'm getting mossy. Reaching back in my past to resurrect old feelings. And it's working. During the 50s (that's really old) I used to love to read what they called Fantasy and Science Fiction. My two favorite authors were Ray Bradbury and Fredric Brown. I just finished a book by Fredric Brown that I'd never heard of before, "Night of the Jabberwock". It's delightful - not F or SF but actually a mystery. Anyway, that got me going. I started remembering the types of stories that got me dreaming in the 50s. I yearned for a space adventure and a good friend loaned me "Endless Universe" my Marion Zimmer Bradley which got me longing for the f&sf magazine I used to take (Astounding Science Fiction, or was it Analog?). I went to the book store and found Isaac Asimov's Science Fiction Magazine. Believe it or not, when I opened it up, it even smelled the same. For some reason smells bring back memories of sitting in the front room chair with my nose in a book and my head out in space more clearly than anything else. I'm hooked again.

1983 N

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 GERMANY - - - John Michalski, RT 10 Box 526Q, Moore, OK 73165
 ** RUSSIA - - - Terry Tallman, 820 Armour St., Seattle, WA 98119
 TURKEY - - - Tim Winger, P. O. Box 13043, Denver, CO 80201
 GAMES PERSON - - - Judy Winsome, 3902 Lakemead Way, Redwood City, CA 94062
 * Ron Brown submitted orders, thank you Charlie Morris for submitting standby orders.
 ** Will Sigourney Street, PO Box 1506 GMF, Boston MA 02205-1506 please submit standby orders for Russia?

1983 N

SUMMER 1908

France (Brown) Fleet Mid Atlantic Ocean retreats to Portugal

FALL 1908

England (Torkelson) F LPL H, F WAL-Eng
 France (Brown) A BUR S A Tyo-Mun, A Bel-Hol disl ret Pic, Otb,
 F IRI-Eng, F Naf-MAO, A TYO-Mun, F NAP H,
 F POR S F Naf-Mao, A Pic-BRE,
 F SPA(SC) S F Naf-Mao, A PIE-Tyo
 Germany (Michalski) A Hol-BEL, A RUH S A HoT-Bel, F NAO-Mao,
 F Mao-Spa(sc) disl ret Gas, Wes, Otb, F Kie-HEL,
 A MUN S Russian A Boh-Tyo nso, A SIL S A Mun
 Russia (Tallman) NMR! A ARM H, A BOH H, A WAR H, A UKR H
 Turkey (Winger) F Aeg-SMY, F ALB tends goats (H), A GAL-War,
 A VIE-Boh, F Con-ANK, A Sev-MOS, F BLA C A Ank-Sev,
 A BUD-Gal, A RUM S A Ank-Sev, A Ank-SEV

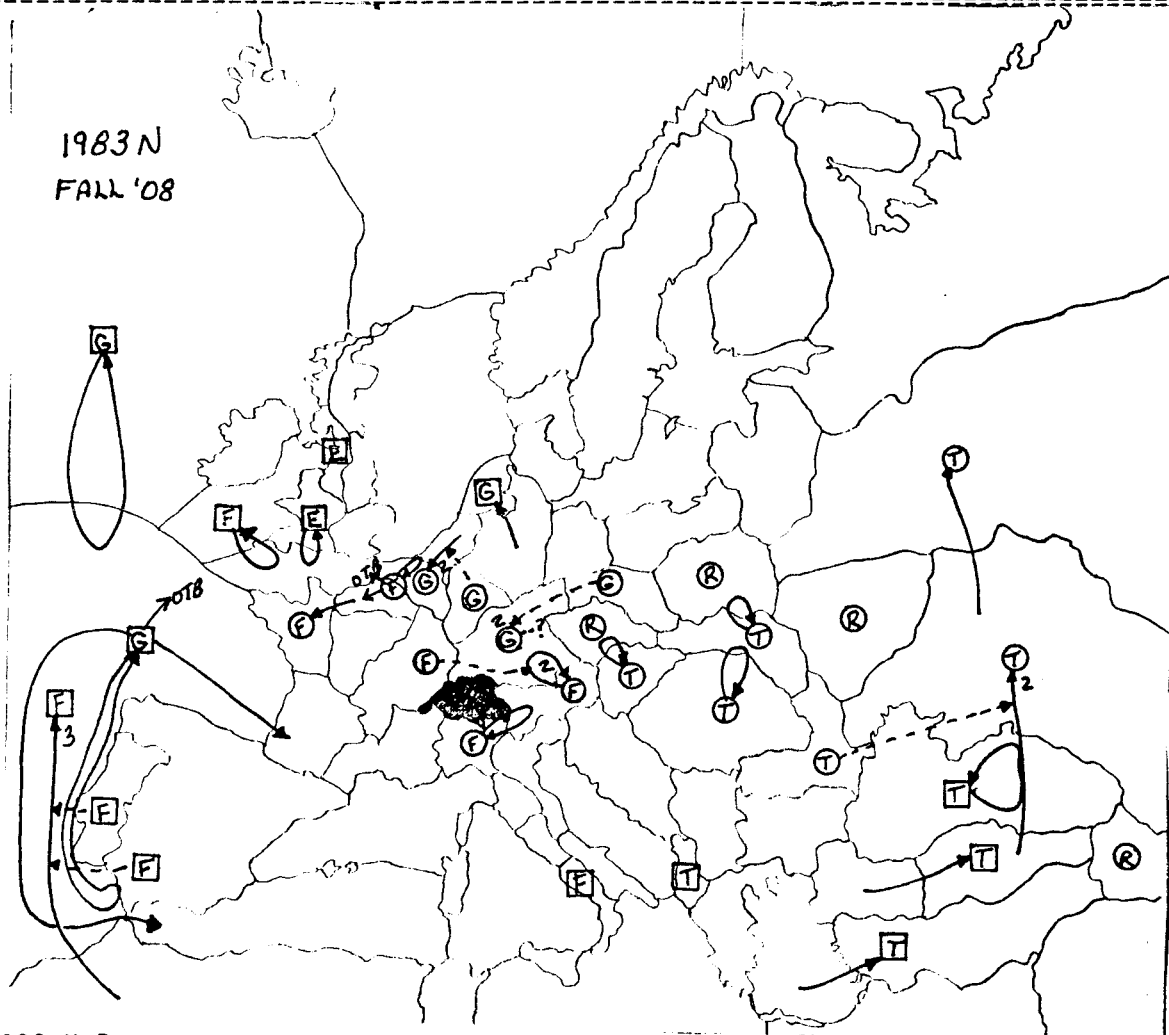
Supply Center Chart:

ENGLAND	Lon, Edi, LPL	3	build 1
FRANCE	Par, Bre, Mar, Por, Spa, VPI , Tun, Ven, Rom, BPI , Nap	9	remove 1 or even if ret OTB
GERMANY	Kie, Den, Nwy, Swe, Hol, Ber, Mun, BEL	8	build 1 or 2 if 2 if retr OTB
RUSSIA	Stp, Moz , War, Sev	2	remove 2
TURKEY	Con, Ank, Smy, Bul, Gre, Ser, Bud, Vie, Tri, Rum, MOS, SEV	12	build 2

Deadline for Autumn 1908 retreats, Winter 1908 builds and removals and Spring 1909 moves is Thursday, February 14, 1985. FT draw fails and is repropoed. An EGR draw has been proposed. NVR means NO unless you NMR then it's YES.

PRESS:-----

Turkey: The Great and omnipotent Sultan Win-Ger sat with his ministers of war and worried to hear that his great ally General Pervert of France had failed to issue commands to his troupes during the preceding Spring. It truly distressed the Lion of the Desert that his ally had lost one fleet and found another in retreat. "Send forth the fleets to aid our ally!" said Ali Katt, the tactless. "No!", interjected Achmed, the sore of throat, "Without forewarning, our move could be seen to be aggression, and not compassion." "We will wait until next Spring", said Win-Ger, "If no movement is seen from the West, we will assume that the plague has taken Pervert and move into his country's defense. Send him that message." And so it was written and so it was done.



1983 N Press continued:=====

Paris-Wales (Morris): Here's a little saying about those English pirates Lightarmour and Blackbluster that's popular right now: "You'll be in a box of pine in 1909."

Charlie-Judy: Why didn't you name your soccer team something more appropriate than Amazons? How about housewives, or bathtub scrubbers, or baby making machines.

Judy-Charlie: Have you ever heard the song about a boy named Sue?

Liverpool: Owners of the Liverpool Flivver School tried to hush up a minor accident here between two well-known students. The attempt was unsuccessful, however, and local tabloids ran the headline:

LINA LADDER AGAINST TUTU TALLMAN

A Second Time!

Explained the red-faced but smiling Miss Ladder, "My instructor here, Dick Cumming, pressed my accelerator to get me started. The next thing I knew it was just bang-bang-bang!" Miss Tallman commented, "If it were anyone else, I'd throttle them!"

Judy-Lina: You're a gas! How's your sister Ethel? Eeeeggghhhh, I should have kept my mouth shut.

London: Admiral Lightarmour was honored this evening at a dinner party given by his old mentor, Admiral Winterbottom. "Hear! Hear!" shouted the guests at the conclusion of the old man's toast: "On French bread we'll dine, in 1909!"

1983 CK

- AUSTRIA - - - Mike Mazzer, 1900 Kelton Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90025
- ENGLAND - - - Joe Stark, 15925 Quarry Rd., Oberlin, OH 44074
- FRANCE - - - James Wall, 1805 University Ave #5, Madison WI 53705
- GERMANY - - - Ben Schilling, 24730 Roosevelt Ct APT 315, Farmington Hills, MI 48018
- * ITALY - - - Robyn Finley, 1466 Bonair Rd. #71, Vista, CA 92022
- RUSSIA - - - Lynn Torkelson, 992 Rosedale Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30306
- TURKEY - - - Cathy Cuning, 1526 N. Lawler Ave., Chicago, IL 60651
- GAMES PERSON Judy Winsome, 3902 Lakemead Way, Redwood City, CA 94062

* Robyn NMRed on this turn. If she fails to submit orders for the next turn, I will place ITALY in civil disorder.

1983 CK

SUMMER 1906

- Russia (Torkelson) A Nwy retreats to Finland
- Turkey (Cunning) F Mao retreats to Portugal

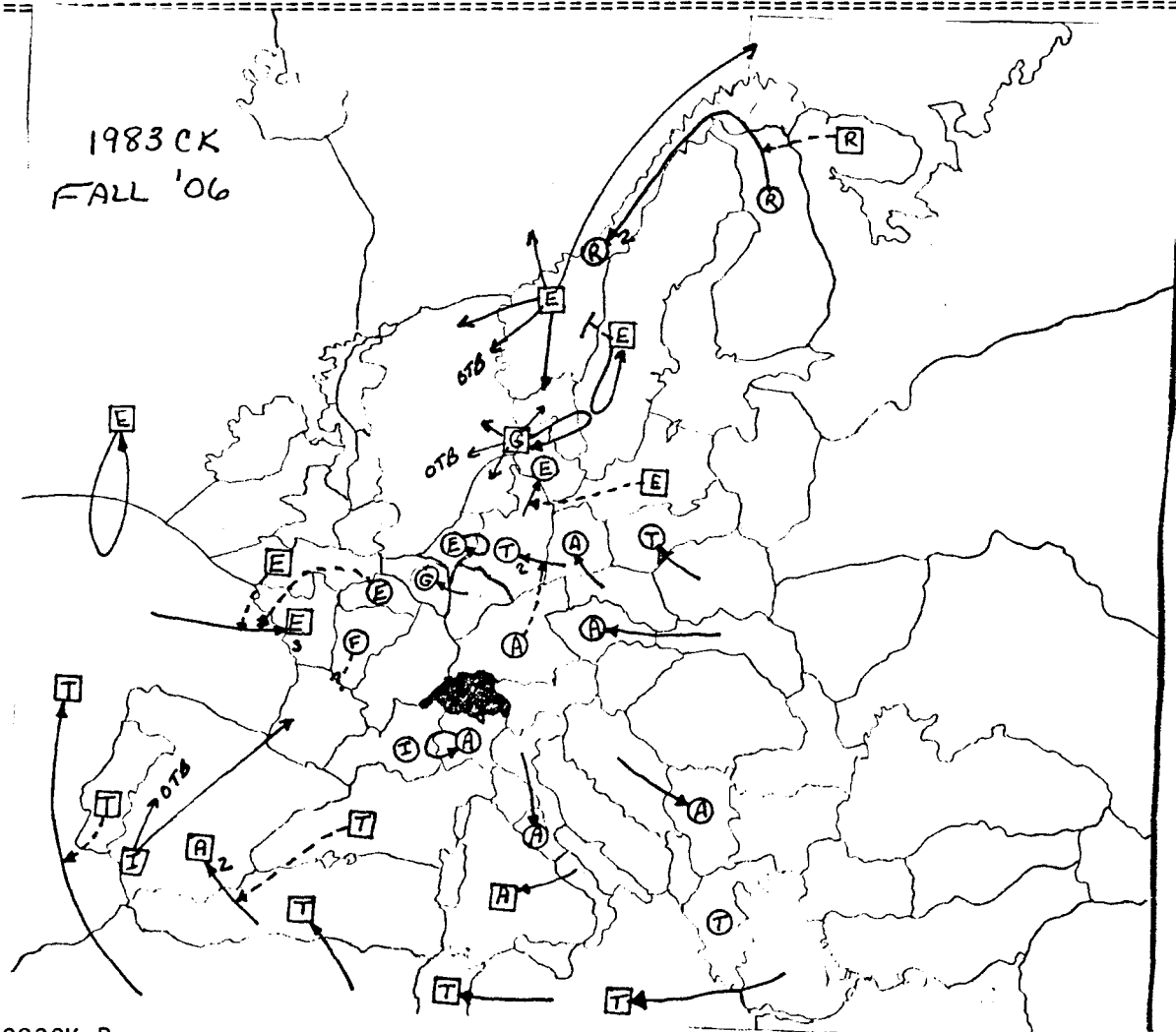
FALL 1906

- Austria (Mazzer) A Sil-BER, A Tri-SER, F Nap-TYS, A Pie-Mar, A Ven-ROM, A MUN S Tur A Ber-Kie, A Gal-BOH, F Wes-SPA(SC)
- England (Stark) A HOL-Kie, F ENG S F Mao-Bre, F BAL S A Kie-Den, F Mao-BRE, F SWE S F Nwy, A PIC S F Mao-Bre, A Kie-DEN, F NAO-Mao, F Nwy H disl ret Nwg, Bar, Nth, Ska, Otb
- France (Wall) A PAR S Turkish F Gas-Bre nsu
- Germany (Schilling) F Den-Swe disl ret Ska, Nth, Hel, Otb, A Ruh-HOL
- Italy (Finley) NMR! F Spa(sc) H disl ret Gas, Otb, A MAR H
- Russia (Torkelson) A Fin-NWY, F STP(NC) S A Fin-Nwy
- Turkey (Cunning) F LYO S Austrian F Wes-Spa(sc), F Tun-WES, A Ber-KIE, A War-PRU, A GRE H, F Naf-MAO, F Aeg-ION, F POR S F Naf-Mao, F Ion-TUN

Supply Center Chart:

AUSTRIA	Vie, Bud, Tri, Ser, Ven, Rum, Rom, Nap, SPA, BER, MUN	11	build 3
ENGLAND	Lon, Edi, Bel, Nth , Swe, Lpl, Kie , Den, Spa , BRE	7	remove 2 remove 1 if ret Otb
FRANCE	Par	1	even
GERMANY	Mun , Ber , Spa , HOL	1	remove 1 even if ret Otb
ITALY	Mar, Spa	1	remove 1 even if ret Otb
RUSSIA	Stp, Nwy	2	even
TURKEY	Ank, Con, Smy, Sev, Bul, Gre, Mos, War, Tun, POR, KIE	11	build 2

Deadline for Autumn 1906 retreats, Winter 1906 build and removals, and Spring 1907 moves is Thursday, February 14, 1985. AT draw fails. A seven way draw has been proposed. NVR means NO, if you NMR it's YES.



1983CK Press =====

Berlin-London: I can't if I'm not in the game.

Austria-Italy: No, I'm sorry, you picked the wrong ally, awww... Let's give the lady a nice hand for trying anyhow, eh folks? Whaddya say, wasn't she a good sport? And what consolation prize do we have, Don Pardo? A one-way ticket to oblivion? OK! How 'bout that!

Austria-Germany: That fault is all mine, my dear Kaiser.

Austria-France: She is a high spirited sort. But once you get to know her, she's a pleasure to deal with.

Austria-Russia: Once more into the breach, my dear Tsarina.

St. Petersburg: Despite bad news from the front, Tsarine Xherpes II attended a command performance today of the smash hit The Sauna Music. She denied even considering a cancellation. "The snow must go on!" she sniffed.

London-Germany: Did you want the picture autographed? Or just the plain 8x10 glossy?

England-All (including Judy): Well I received my copy of the 1985-86 edition of the famous Ridgid Tool calendar. If you've heard of it - you know what a treat it is - if not - you're missing one of the "simple" pleasures of life. Dana Popper (March-April 1986) gets my vote as the next Miss Ridgid Tool!

Judy-England: You get my vote, big fella.

Germany-Vienna: If this doesn't work there's always 84H0...

Germany-Constantinople: If this doesn't work, there's always the PoW game...

FRESHMAN ZINE POLL ANNOUNCEMENT

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The following is a list of those 1984 Freshman zines about which I know. If there are others out there, send them in. If some of these are not Freshman zines, let me know about that, too. My thanks to Mark Luedi, Gary Coughlan and John Caruso for helping to compile these lists. There are two lists. The Freshman zines and the Freshman subzines. Voting deadline is February 22, 1985. The vote is a numerical rating from 0 (worst possible verbi!) to 10 (best possible huzzeh!). Please ask that votes be listed alphabetically when advertising the poll.

Freshman zines 1984

Command
 Consiaguana (von Metzke)
 Electric Penguin (Mirasso)
 Freshman (Walker)
 Feudesse (Wrobel)
 Fawilletonist's Forum (Ellie)
 Freshops (Richard)
 Harland
 Rebel (Holliv)
 The Concept of Europe (Paul)
 The Inner Light (Sherwood)
 The Orphanage
 So I Lied (Peterson)

Freshman subzines 1984

Bad Doggie (Tallon)
 Babble of Zoo (Peterson/Hanson)
 Babbledek (Melley)
 Book Report (Burgess)
 Bottom's Up (Ball)
 But Mr. Happy (Wall)
 Butter Battles (Minnelli)
 Cops Off The Cop (Stellan)
 Daffin Diller (Peterson)
 Tale of Two (Carter)
 Ferra Fatal (Fie)
 Feudette
 Foot In Mouth (Carter)
 Galadriel (Wrobel)
 Gars Of The Day (Langley)
 Little Digger
 Nighan DIT (Wrobel)
 Teyvolinna (Miles)
 Psi Appeal
 Space Viking (Laurent)
 Submarine Warfare (Bowen)
 Temporarily Delayed (Pearson)

So far, this is the ballot. I will change the above if anyone sends in better information. Obviously I did not get names for the publishers of all of the zines/subzines. I am sending this to all of the publishers and subzine editors for whom I have addresses. The idea is that you all will advertise the Freshman Zine Poll in your various publications.

Votes, once more, are due on February 22, 1984. Send them to:

Steve Langley
 2296 Eden For Lane #1
 Sacramento, CA
 95825

Vote for those zines/subzines with which you are familiar. Sign your ballot and indicate your connection with the Hobby. To keep false modesty from skewing the results, I will eliminate from the ballots of the Freshman publishers any votes for their own publication but will not invalidate their entire ballot as has been past practice.