



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 the 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, June 20, 1985.

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? Lynn Torkelson, John Michalski, Robyn Finley, Sigourney Street and Dave Rice are receiving this issue free for being a standby or for submitting standby orders. Dave Rice has submitted standby orders for France in 1983N.

Standbys: Steve Knight, Jack Jung, Terry Tallman, Charlie Morris, Robyn Finley, Joe Stark, Dave Rice

THIRD ANNUAL DAVE CARTER AWARD CONTEST

When I first started this award and named it, I had intended that this award serve to point out that some of you were printing sexist material while at the same time afford me the opportunity of having some fun at other people's expense. Foolish me. The jokes on me now because I find that in the process of deciding who wins the award I am going through all sorts of sexist material. Some of you are even actively campaigning for the award contrary to my intent and are having a bit of fun at my expense. Tit for tat. (Where did that phrase come from anyway?) Maybe I'm raising your consciousness regarding sexism, maybe you're raising my consciousness regarding erotica. Who knows?

You can find out who wins this year's award by turning to page 6. First you have to wade through the nominations. Scott Hanson won the inaugural award because of a stick figure he printed. Some of the nominations this year included art work that is more fully developed. In the Dave Carter tradition, I have printed the pictures upside down. I have taken other actions to avoid offending anyone. Where did everyone go?

1983 N

ENGLAND - - - Lynn Torkelson, 992 Rosedale Road NE, Atlanta GA 30306
* FRANCE - - - Ron Brown, 1528 El Sereno Pl, Bakersfield, CA 93304
GERMANY - - - John Michalski, RT 10 Box 526Q, Moore, OK 73165
RUSSIA - - - Sigourney Street, PO Box 1506 GMF, Boston MA 02205-1506
TURKEY - - - Tim Winger, P. O. Box 13043, Denver, CO 80201
GAMES PERSON - - - Judy Winsome, 3902 Lakemead Way, Redwood City, CA 94062

* Ron submitted orders, thanks Dave Rice for submitting standby orders. This issue is free for you.

1983 N

AUTUMN 1901

France (Brown) Fleet Mid Atlantic Ocean retreats to SPA(NC)
Russia (Street) Army Ukraina retreats to Galicia

WINTER 1909

France (Brown) Build Army Paris
Germany (Michalski) Build Army Berlin
Russia (Street) Remove Army Warsaw
Turkey (Winger) Build Army Constantinople and Fleet Smyrna

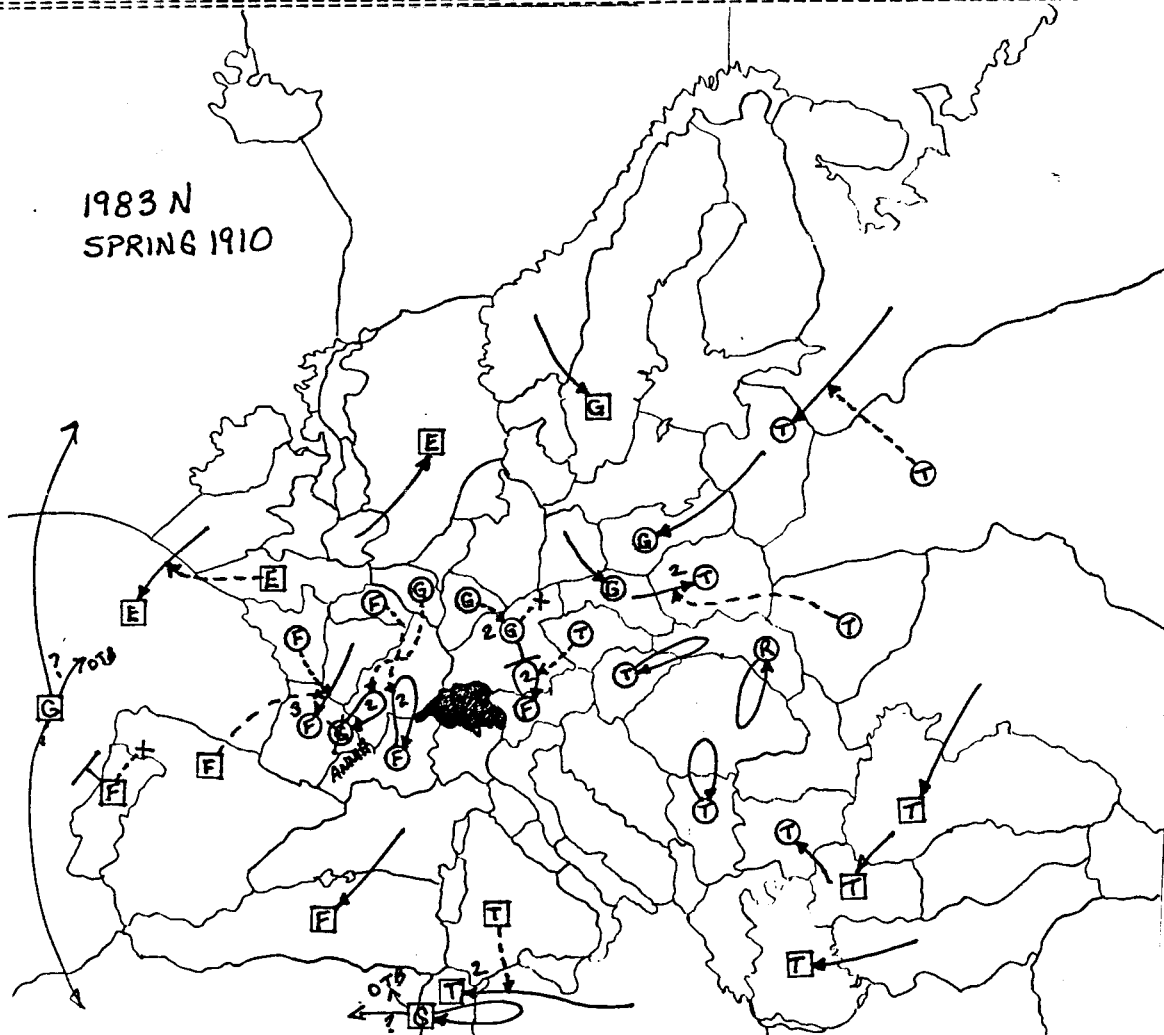
SPRING 1910

England (Torkelson) F Iri-MAO, F Lon-NTH, F ENG S F Iri-Mao
France (Brown) A PIC S A Mar-Bur, A TYO-Mun, F POR S F Spa(nc),
A BRE S A Par-Gas, F Lyo-WES, A MAR-Bur,
F SPA(NC) S A Par-Gas, A Par-GAS
Germany (Michalski) A BEL S A Gas-Bur, A RUH S A Mun, A Lvn-PRU,
F Mao-Por disl retr Naf, Nao, Otb,
A Gas-Bur annihilated, F Tun-Ion disl retr Naf, Otb
F Nwy-SWE, A MUN S A Ber-Sil, A Ber-SIL
Russia (Street) A GAL-Bud
Turkey (Winger) F Ion-TUN, F TYS S F Ion-Tun, A Sil-WAR,
A BOH S French A Tyr-Mun, F Bla-CON, A Stp-LVN,
F Sev-BLA, A VIE-Gal, A UKR S A Sil-War,
A MOS S A Stp-Lvn, A SER-Bud, F Smy-AEG, A Con-BUL

Deadline for Summer 1910 retreats and Fall 1910 moves is Thursday, June 20, 1985. EG, EGT, and FT draws fail. EFGT, EFG and EGT draws have been proposed. NVR means NO, if you NMR, it's YES.

PRESS:-----

Judy-Russia: Yes, it's true, WL is in the process of folding. It will continue as long as the two remaining games last. Thank you for saying WL was one of your favorite 'zines, it was one of mine too. I have made some tentative overtures to another publisher about doing some guest GMing. I enjoy running the games, am just burdened by the publishing. Under a guest GM arrangement, I would send out results by flyers and the publisher would include them in the next issue of the 'zine. I don't know how standby's would be called. Anyway, it all depends on whether there is an interest in having me as a guest GM. I don't list my phone number in the 'zine because I discourage phone calls with orders. I take them, but discourage them. So I leave it up to your ingenuity if you are running late or have a question. Regarding your question on the rules, if you lose all your home centers and then regain one, say in Fall 1920, you cannot build until the Winter two seasons hence. You must vacate the center by Fall 1921 in order to start building. It's a pain to lose your home centers.



1983 N Press continued:-----

London: Old Admiral Winterbottom was honored at a state dinner today for his long and distinguished service to the king. Raising his glass in response to the many toasts in his honor, the wily old veteran uttered another of his always reliable predictions, "Mark well my words, dear friends--we'll see the African Queen in 1913!"

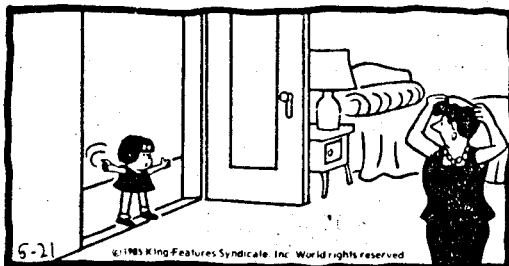
Liverpool: Lina Ladder, the celebrated songstress, was reported to be riding high today upon learning of the soaring sheet-music sales of her latest hit, "Oh Dat Yellow Rain Am Comin', (Run an' Hide, Run an' Hide)."

Turkey: The Great and Omnipotent Sultan Win-Ger sat at the doorway to his harem. He listened dejectedly as his wives babbled about this and that. "What mindless prattle", he thought, "I bet that the only reason that Allah gave these creatures their different sexual organs was to get men to talk to them."

Judy-Turkey: Another nomination for the Dave Carter Award!!!

HAZEL

By Ted Key



"Your blind date's here, Hazel!"



"Win some, lose some."

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
 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

1983 CK

SUMMER 1907

Italy (Finley) Army Marseilles retreats to Gascony

FALL 1907

Austria (Mazzer) A BER S Turkish A Kie, F TYS-Nap, A ROM-Nap,
 A SER H and blows a kiss to Turkish A Bul,
 A Ruh-BUR, A MAR S A Ruh-Bur, A Sil-MUN,
 F SPA(SC) S Turkish F Naf-Mao, A TYO S A Sil-Mun,
 A BUD S A Ser, F Adr-APU
 England (Stark) A HOL-Kie, F NTH S F Ska-Nwy, F ENG-Bre, F Ska-NWY,
 A Bur-BEL, A DEN S A Hol-Kie, F IRI-Mao,
 F Swe S F Ska-Nwy disl retr Ska, Bal, Bot, Otb
 France (Wall) A BRE H
 Italy (Finley) A Gas-PAR
 Russia (Torkelson) A FIN S F Nwy-Swe, F Nwy-SWE
 Turkey (Cuning) F LYO S Austrian A Mar, F WES S F Naf-Mao,
 A KIE S Austrian A Ruh-Hol, A LVN H, A GRE H,
 F MAO-Iri, F Ion-TUN, F POR S F Naf-Mao, F NAF-Mao,
 A BUL H, F Aeg-ION

Supply Center Chart:

AUSTRIA	Vie, Bud, Tri, Ser, Ven, Rum, Rom, Nap, Spa,	12	build 1
	Ber, Mun, MAR		
ENGLAND	Lon, Edi, Bel, Hol, Swe , Lpl, Den, Bre , NWY	7	remove 1 even if ret Otb
FRANCE	Par , BRE	1	even
ITALY	Maz , PAR	1	even
RUSSIA	Stp, Nwy , SWE	2	even
TURKEY	Ank, Con, Smy, Sev, Bul, Gre, Mos, War, Tun,	11	even
	Por, Kie		

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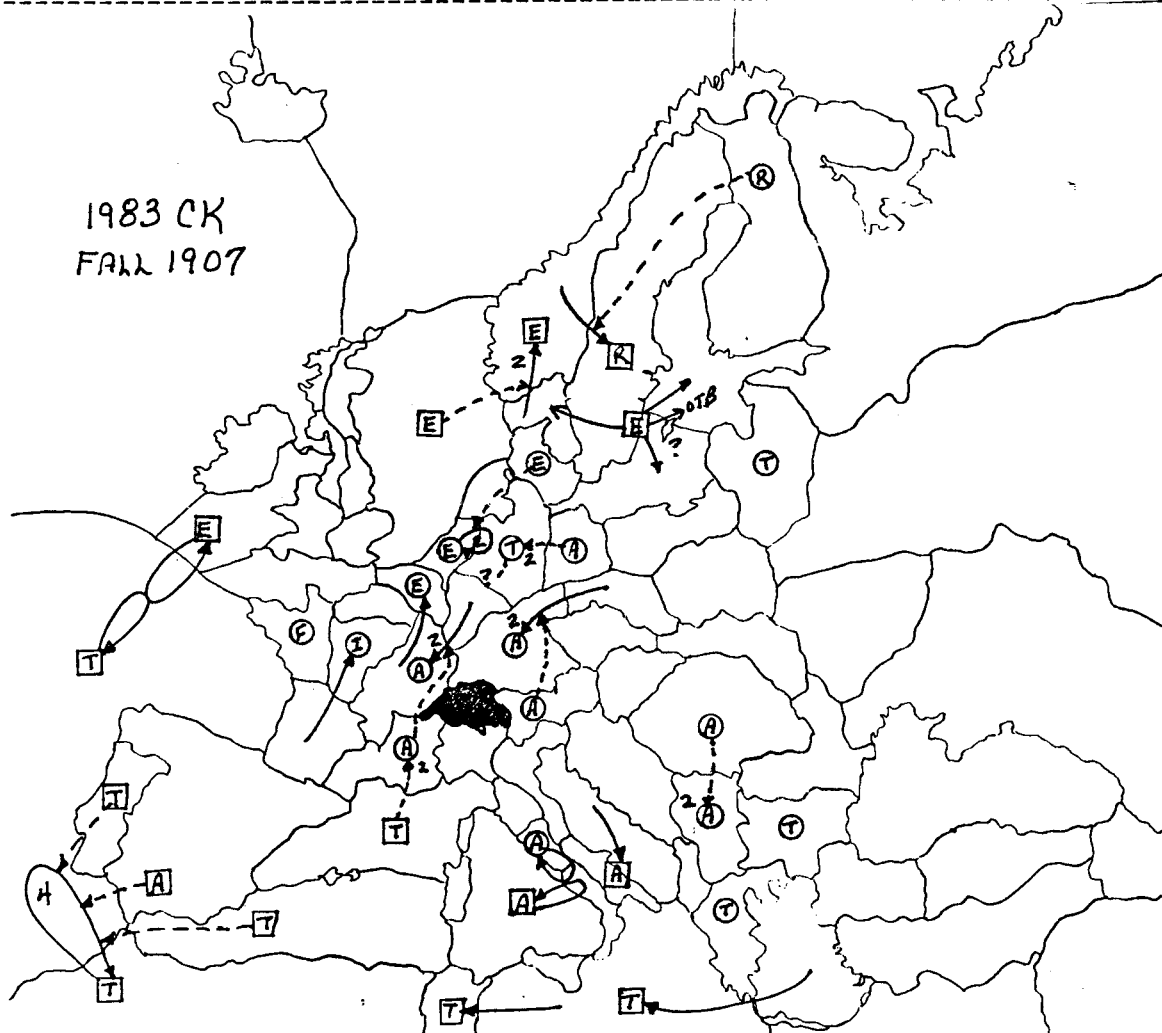
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Press:-----

France-A/T: I'm voting yes, all I ask for is survival. I've certainly helped slow down England.

Austria-Turkey: Forgive you? What's to forgive?

Austria-Turkey: I still don't understand why you have to seek advice from the likes of Ozog and especially Rrrrusnak. You are a far better player than either of those two.



1983 CK Press continued:

Finland: Tsarina Xherpes II toured the royal golf course here today with a fast-talking American salesman from Louisville, Mr. Owen Tuecount. "At first I thought he'd gone bats," laughed the Tsarina. "He insisted we should put a diamond in the rough! But then I caught his pitch about the new sport, and I do think we could use more exercise here in the summer. To tell the truth," she confided, "around this time of year I usually find myself breathing in short pants."

Judy-Finland: Wouldn't that tickle?

Italy-Austria: (an accordian medley): "...a time to live, a time to die...there is a season, turn, turn, turn...when I had 17, it was a very good year, it was a very good year for last minute stabs to make youse guys mad, on the dippy scene, when I had 17...there must be 50 ways to leave another: pull out the fleet Pete, vacate the med Fred, cut the support Mort, just listen to me... my boyfriend's back and you're gonna get in trouble...(fade...)

England-Austria: Hopefully after this turn, the Russian fleet will be scuttled!

Turkey-Russia: Was it a boy or a girl? Congratulations!

Cunning-Wall: Brest is yours. England can't touch you. Maybe next year I can help you more.

DAVE CARTER AWARD NOMINATIONS

The first nomination is from Dave Carter, namesake for the award and publisher of the excellent 'zine Sleepless Knights: "For my namesake award, I nominate Bob Acheson. Bob is not public about his male chauvanistic attitudes, but he rates a 10 from me based on private conversations. Anyway, we've had a Canuck and a Yank, so why not an iceman (Bob lives in Northwest Territories)"

((Dave, I trust your judgement, but I have nothing else to go on. How does he rate on the other things he does in private? I'll have to keep my eye on Bob for future awards, but compared to the other nominations, I cannot justify giving him the award...this year.))

Here is a nomination from last year's winner, Steve "I'll do anything to win" Hutton who publishes No Fixed Address, another of my favorite 'zines - the last issue of which was spiral bound and 124 pages!!: "As most of you know, the Dave Carter Award was established two years ago to honour the most sexist person in the postal Diplomacy hobby. Almost alone among hobby services, the DCA has a completely clean name, unsullied by boycotts or allegations of impropriety. As incumbent, I have a strong interest in maintaining the award's good name. Ten years from now, I want to say with pride that I once won the Dave Carter Award. I want my name to be in the company of men and women whose sexism is unquestionable, not every Tom, Dick, and Harry who drools over brassiere ads.

Because of my strong concern for the integrity of this award, I have spent the last year searching for a suitable successor. No slur against women, however slight, has escaped my attention. Nor have I restricted my search to North America; I have also scrutinized all recent issues of many British and European 'zines. After this exhaustive search, I have come to the conclusion that one hobbyist stands head and shoulders above the rest in sexism. I refer, of course, to Steve Hutton.

Now, this may come as a surprise to some of you. After all, Dave Carter himself has said that I don't have much of a chance given my new ...er... reputation. But is this really the case? I will acknowledge that it's now more difficult to convince the hobby that I view women as sex objects; on the other hand, this can only bolster my credentials as a woman-hater.

According to the once-popular psychological theory, I owe my ... er ... condition to a fear of vaginas with teeth. (Yes, you read correctly, vaginas with teeth.) Although this is somewhat embarrassing to admit, the theory is entirely correct, in my case anyway. I've had this fear ever since that fateful day when, though I was but six years old, I snuck into the London Public Library and stole a copy of The Cunt That Ate Chicago. For the next ten years, I had nightmares of labia majora nibbling on the Sears Tower. Whenever I got a present, I would say, "that's not a vagina with teeth, is it?". I was teased and ridiculed. The other kids didn't understand my gynecodental obsession. I was sent to a psychologist. Fortunately, he was a Freudian so he understood my problem. "A textbook case," he called it. I've made a lot of progress under therapy. I can now bear to look at a woman's genitals, provided that she flosses regularly.

Alas, that wasn't my only problem. I'm also the male equivalent of the castrating lesbian you hear so much about: a gay man with the uncontrollable urge to perform hysterectomies. In high school, while other guys were looking for a girl who'd give head, I was looking for one who'd give uterus. Oh, I knew all the lines, "If you love me, you'll let me do it". I masqueraded as a doctor in the local clinic, trying to trick gullible women into unneeded surgery. It was a life of deceit, a life of shame.

I'm getting better now. But the progress is very slow. When I meet a woman for the first time, I still fear her vagina and covet her uterus. Despite my best efforts (and thousands of dollars worth of psychotherapy) I'm still the most sexist person in the Diplomacy hobby."

((Steve, you had it in the bag until you told me you were going to therapy to correct the problem. Someone who is truly deserving of this award should not be as conscious of his condition as you have become. If I were to reward this award by the quality of the nomination, such as other awards are determined, you would have won. I pray that the awardee is someone you can respect and feel comfortable with having your name associated with. If not, ooops.))

This is from Gary Coughlan, publisher of the award winning 'zine, Europa Express:

"My nomination for the Dave Carter Award for Sexism is none other than Mike Mills. He does a subzine called Savonlinna in my zine and in each and every Savonlinna, Mike prints the nude or virtually nude picture of a woman, usually in a very provocative pose, and has her oohing and ahing at the males in the audience. He calls these exploited women the "Europa Sexpress Foxes".

Mike not only does this in my zine via his subzine, but, when he did his own zine, Emhain Macha, he did the same type of series of nude women. Those women were called "The Pomme de Terre-tete Lady of the Month". Judy, I don't know if you know French or not, but that translates as "Potato-Head"! Not only is that insulting in its own right, but Mike Mills never had had a male "Potato-Head". Sounds sexist to me!

Here is an example of one of the captions appearing with these naked ladies so you can judge for yourself:

"Hi I'm Laura. I love playing Austria because you get jumped on so fast by so many other powers, and I love to puppet. Can I be your puppet?"

Another:

"I would like to hear from all of you hot-blooded men out there, just tell me everything! Just say Liisa sent you."

and Judy, I won't even tell you about "Sherry" in the April edition of Savonlinna.

I think Mike Mills should receive the Carter Award. He's certainly earned it!

What do you say?"

((I would say that he is certainly deserving of the award. How do you know what kind of head Mike has had? Anyway, I researched the April edition as you suggested and have printed the picture here for all of you to judge. It is upsidedown in the Dave Carter tradition. Let's see if anyone was nominated who can top this?))



This is from Ben Schilling, official photographer of Winsome Losesome:

As promised earlier, here's a copy of the cover from NMR! issue 48. The editor of NMR! was Brian Creese; 256 Canbury Park Road, Kingston upon Thames, KT2 6LG, UK. The artist is only identified as "Rod" so I don't know who should really get the award, but it is a rather sexist type of cover.

Now that you've made your first appearance at a con, are you planning on making it to any others, like DipCon in Seattle? It should be an interesting affair."

((Congratulations, Ben, that is the most disgusting nomination I have received yet. That picture has no redeeming social value. Rod ought to seek therapy. I have printed the picture for all of you to see and understand why Brian Creese is the most deserving of the award. Steve, don't turn this zine upside down because I think she does have teeth and I don't want to set you back. DipCon is marked on my calendar, but only to see if I can schedule a business trip to coincide - no promises.))



Well, we've had a Yank, A Canuck and now a Limey. Who knows what next year will bring?

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HERE ARE SOME MORE NOMINATIONS
FOR THE DAVE CARTER AWARD

This is from Jerry Lucas: "I am enclosing a picture of a deserving candidate for the Dave Carter Award. Somewhere in this picture is the famous publisher of a not so famous 'zine. I forget the name. This obnoxious picture was sent to me by someone who wanted it kept off the record. It is told that this person continuously uses sexist comments while working with this women's soccer team. Whenever one of the women would step on the ball or be clumsy with it you would hear from this person's mouth the words, "Now you know what it feels like to go around with balls between your legs." and there have been other similar disgusting episodes."

((Sorry, Jerry, without the name, I cannot give the award, but I agree, that is disgusting. Next time come out of the closet and give me the name.))



Printed below is another fabulous photo from the Jeff Albrecht farm. You may note from this picture his obsession with nudity. However, since I cannot tell which sex these pigs are, I cannot judge whether this is a sexist statement. Is it Jeff?



As a final consideration, check out the sexism in Tim Winger's press as Turkey on Page 3.

If you haven't already voted, please vote in the 1985 Runestone Zine and GM Poll using the enclosed ballot.