

An irregular publication of the US Orphan Service

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The USOS is committed to supporting the smooth operation to completion of PBM Diplomacy games and variants registered with the Boardman and Miller Number Custodians. This rag is published with the intent of facilitating the transference of games that have been turned over to the US Orphan Service to be rehoused and providing a forum for discussion of issues pertaining to the operation of the Service. My two assistants are:

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Current News Section

If any of you would like to receive all issues of YVSC that I publish, the cost will be \$0.25/issue. All players, GM's, and custodians who have an interest in particular issues will receive those issues free. I am willing to work out trades or other agreements on request, noting that the publication schedule of the szine will not be consistent. I also publish a "quasi-szine" called *The Boob Report* that I will throw in for free on any trade deals. The cost of trades is borne by me and causes no drain on US Orphan Service funds. A number of people have asked to receive only those issues that have substantive discussion and not those containing only game adjudications. Issues containing only game adjudications will bear a "1/2" label and go

out only to those with an interest in the particular problem involved.

Steve Heinowski is conducting a survey of all of the games in the hobby to determine their current status. Any games that he cannot find or that are reported to be in trouble will then be referred to me for action. All publishers should have received a form from Steve by now; if you haven't, please send a list of all games (with BN) that you are running to Steve Heinowski, 12034 Pyle South Amherst, Oberlin, OH 44074. Thank you for your assistance in this important task.

In other news, 1982CW has been declared over. A three-way draw has been agreed to by all reporting players. My thanks to Pat Hart (especially) and Randy Goldring for helping to provide the end game statistics on this one, sorry it took so long.

1982CW *Festungs Hof* (Bob Howerton)

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10
A:	?	?	?	5	5	6	3	0	0	0
E:	?	?	?	7	6	8	9	11	9	9
F:	?	?	?	5	5	2	1	0	0	0
G:	?	?	?	4	5	5	6	7	9	9
I:	?	?	?	4	4	3	3	4	4	3
R:	?	?	?	3	3	2	3	2	1	1
T:	?	?	?	6	6	8	9	10	11	12

Jeff Bohner (out S09)
Bryan Jurkowski (drop F09), Jeff Noto (draw W10)
John Michalski (out F08)
Randy Goldring (draw S11)
Jim Finley (drop F04), Scott Hanson (drop S06),
Frauke Petersen (sur S11)
Gene Boggess (sur S11)
Pat Hart (draw S11)

USOS Standbies and GMs Willing to Take Games

The USOS keeps a public list of volunteers to standby for orphaned games. It is my opinion that GMs who take over games should not have to exhaust their own standbies to replace resigning players. This list is a leftover from 1985's Universal Standby List. As with all standby lists, anyone who wants on or off should let me know. USOS standbies (number of

games willing to take on in parentheses) are: Steve Heinowski (2), Dave Rice (1), Keith Sesler (1), Robert Acheson (1), Dan Gorham (1), Dave Ditter (1), Steve Wilcox (1), Mark Luedi (1), Melinda Holley (too many), and Dan Palter (1). Any GMs who are looking for more standbies or who want to be on a general standby list should contact Elmer Hinton at 20

Almont Street, Nashua, NH 03060.

Another need is for GMs willing to take on orphaned games. I need more volunteers for this essential task. Please let me know if you are willing to take variants as well. The USOS GM list is (# willing to take on in parentheses): Andy Lischett (2), Mark Luedi (2), Conrad von Metzke (2, reg. or var.), Dick Martin (3), John Caruso (1), Elmer Hinton (2 +

2 variant), and Melinda Holley (3). Jim Benes and Howard Christie are picking up these *Liberterrean* games, so more are needed, especially those willing to pick up variants. Some of you may be worried about how miscommunication among the USOS custodians might cause three games to drop on you at once (one from each of us). Never fear, I've already thought of that. As coordinator, all requests will go through me first!

Dear Larry,

I am having trouble getting in touch with Keith Sherwood. He has approximately \$50 of USOS money. I know he wasn't keeping records so neither of us know exactly how much he owes me. Could you investigate this for me *sotto voce*? Thanks a bunch.

Take care,
Jim

Liberterrean Games to be Rehoused

1985I

headlines of the day:

RUSSIA-TURKEY DRAW PASSES, GAME IS OVER

Addresses of the Participants

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Game Notes:

1) The RT passed while the concession to Russia failed. The Russian player requested it be announced that he was one of those voting against the Russian concession.

2) Germany could not retreat to Berlin from Munich since the successful attack by the Russian came from there. Sorry about the error.

3) I do not have end game statistics on this game. If you want it to be reported to the BNC and have the results recorded, I need the following information (preferably by June 5th): A record of the players for each country and the circumstances of any replacements being named (e.g. resigned, dropped for NMR's), A record of the GM's and the seasons they adjudicated (i.e. when did Kevin take over for Jim), A record of the supply center totals held in each winter season. For the proper format, see the end game report on page 1. Any end game statements that I receive by June 5th will be printed, but I'd appreciate it if some of the acrimony that this game apparently generated be toned down. I have printed the press received with Winter orders.

Press:

(LON-MOS): You were supposed to come to Stockholm unarmed to sign the peace treaty! What the hey?

(RUSSIA-AUSTRIA): Good riddance to you, too. The following should be sung to the tune of "Perfidia" (with apologies to A. Dominguez).

It's true, you wallow in stupidity.

For you it's a much easier task than
using your feeble mind.

Your lies, they echo your stupidity.

You think that I should give you a break,
but I don't respect your kind.

So with happy heart I chop you down
just like a gnarled and broken tree.

While the gods on high look down and laugh at
what an ass you've lately come to be.

And now, your double standards won't help you.

You blew it bad in 85I, I spit in your eye, good-bye.

(TURKEY-ITALY): "I need inspiration for good press, not the feuds, petty squabbles of this game." And I'm not good with puns or Huns!

1984H

headlines of the day:

WHITHER THE TURKS? IF THE TURKISH SUCCESSION IS NOT SOLVED THEIR FUTURE LOOKS BLEAK INDEED, AS THE REMAINING POWERS VIE FOR SCRAPS...

Spring 1912

AUSTRIA(Rowell): f NAP h, a pie-VEN, a tri-SER, a tyo-TRI, a gal-BUD, a VIE h.
 ENGLAND(Powers): f KIE-ber, f NTH C a edi-nwy, f HEL h (unordered), f BAL-kie, a WAR-ukr, a SIL-war, a BER-sil, a LON h (unordered), a edi-NWY, a LVN S a mos, a MOS S FRENCH a ukr-sev (nso).
 FRANCE(Gestiehr): f NAF S f tun, a mar-PIE, f wes-TYH, f TUN S f wes-tyh, f GOL S a mar-pie, a bur-BEL, a MUN h, a boh-GAL, a UKR S a boh-gal.
 TURKEY(Phrogus): NMR, STANDBY RECALLED, f tyh h (d r:rom.otb), a RUM h, a SEV h, a ARM h, f TUS h, f ION h, f AEG h.

THE DUE DATE FOR FALL 1912 IS JUNE 15TH, 1986 to Howard

Addresses of the Participants

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 TURKEY: Fred Phrogus, 2220 Acton Street, Berkeley, CA 94702
 TURKEY: Standby is Brad Wilson, PO Box 43, Paoli, PA 19301
 GM: Howard Christie, P.O. Box 115, Millville, PA 17846, (717) 458-5790

Game Notes:

1) The FE and FEAT draw proposals are rejected. No new proposals were made. Your map is on page two.

2) Neither the Turkish player nor the standby submitted Spring orders. Brad Wilson was in the middle of graduating and moving, so I'll give him another chance.

3) Howard Christie will take this game in his szine,

Stabback. Howard may adjust the deadline at his discretion to bring the game into alignment with the rest of his szine as quickly as possible. Thank you, Howard!

4) I also need game statistics from someone. Jim Bumpas turned his records over to Kevin Kozlowski and they apparently were misplaced in Kevin's recent move. Send them to either Howard or me. The format for what is needed is on page one.

1984IR

headlines of the day:

JUST ANOTHER LAZY WINTER...*Autumn 1907*

ENGLAND(Bumpas): R a stp-NWY.
RUSSIA(Gestiehr): R f swe-SKA.

Winter 1907

AUSTRIA(Gardner): bld a tri, a vie, has a GAL, a WAR, a TYO, a VEN, a MAR, a TRI, a VIE.
ENGLAND(Bumpas): no chg, has a KIE, f NTH, a PIC, f BAL, f BER, f DEN, f SWE, a NWY, a FIN,
a BEL.
FRANCE(Acheson): no chg, has a RUH, a MUN, f ROM, f TYH, f MAO, f WES.
ITALY(Cheek): no chg, has f TUN.
RUSSIA(Gestiehr): dsb a lvn, has a STP, f SKA.
TURKEY(Sesler): bld a con, has f BLA, a SEV, a UKR, a NAP, f ION, f APU, f AEG, a CON.

THE DUE DATE FOR SPRING 1908 IS JUNE 5TH, 1986*Addresses of the Participants*

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TURKEY: Keith Sesler, 4489 4th St. #1, Ecorse, MI 48229
GM: Jim Burgess, 100 Holden Street, Providence, RI 02908, (401) 351-0287

Game Notes:

1) Note that the deadline is set at three weeks. Since that was the old *Lib* schedule, I presume no one will have a problem with that. This is to bring it in line with another USOS game I am running. I hope we will have an irregularity ruling by that time and in any case, Jim Benes has agreed to take the game at that time.

2) An EAT draw has been proposed. Please consume and report whether it tastes good with your next orders. Failure to consume and report will count as a negative vote.

3) Tom Grey did not submit orders and is replaced

by Keith Sesler. Joe Tuharsky has resigned his position as France. Robert Acheson replaces him. Please note Robert's change of address. Thanks to both standbys!

4) I also need game statistics from someone. Jim Bumpas turned his records over to Kevin Kozlowski and they apparently were misplaced in Kevin's recent move.

Press:

(RESIGNING FRENCH PLAYER): I'm sorry to announce that other commitments force me to retire from postal diplomacy. Over the past six or seven years, I've met lots of wonderful people through dip and will miss you all.

1985CM

headlines of the day:

IS ANYONE STILL INTERESTED IN THIS ONE?

Autumn 1902

RUSSIA(Grubb): NMR, GM R a stp otb.

Winter 1902

AUSTRIA(Wilcox): no chg, has a BUD, a TRI, f ALB, a SER.
 ENGLAND(Gorham): bld f lon, has a STP, f BAR, f NWY, f LON, f NTH.
 FRANCE(Rowell): bld a mar, PLAYS ONE SHORT, has f GOL, f TUN, f NAF, a TUS, a BEL, a MAR.
 GERMANY(Gardner): bld a mun, has a DEN, f BAL, a LVN, a PRU, f SWE, a MUN.
 ITALY(Milewski): rem f ion, has a VEN, a VIE, f APU, f TYH.
 RUSSIA(Grubb): NMR, STANDBY CALLED, PLAYS ONE SHORT, has a WAR, f RUM, a SEV.
 TURKEY(Lee): NMR, STANDBY CALLED, no chg, has a BUL, a CON, f BLA, f ANK.

THE DUE DATE FOR SPRING 1903 IS JUNE 15TH, 1986 to Howard

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 RUSSIA: Standby is Melinda Holley, PO Box 2793, Huntington, WV 25727
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 TURKEY: Standby is Cecil Solomon, PO Box 3541, West Point, NY 10997
 GM: Howard Christie, P.O. Box 115, Millville, PA 17846, (717) 458-5790

Game Notes:

1) An EFG draw is proposed. Votes go to Howard Christie with your next set of orders. As per his house rules, NVR's will count as negative votes.

2) The original players and the standbys for Russia and Turkey NMRed. No Turkish orders were required so we will give the Chris Lee or Cecil Solomon another chance to get spring orders to Howard. I have called a new standby for Russia. I know I can count on Melinda, thanks for your patience.

3) Thanks go to Dan Palter for unneeded Italian standby orders.

4) Howard Christie will take this game in his szine, *Stabback*. Howard may adjust the deadline at his discretion to bring the game into alignment with the rest of his szine as quickly as possible. Thank you, Howard! I had the information needed to collect game statistics on this game and have passed them on to Howard.