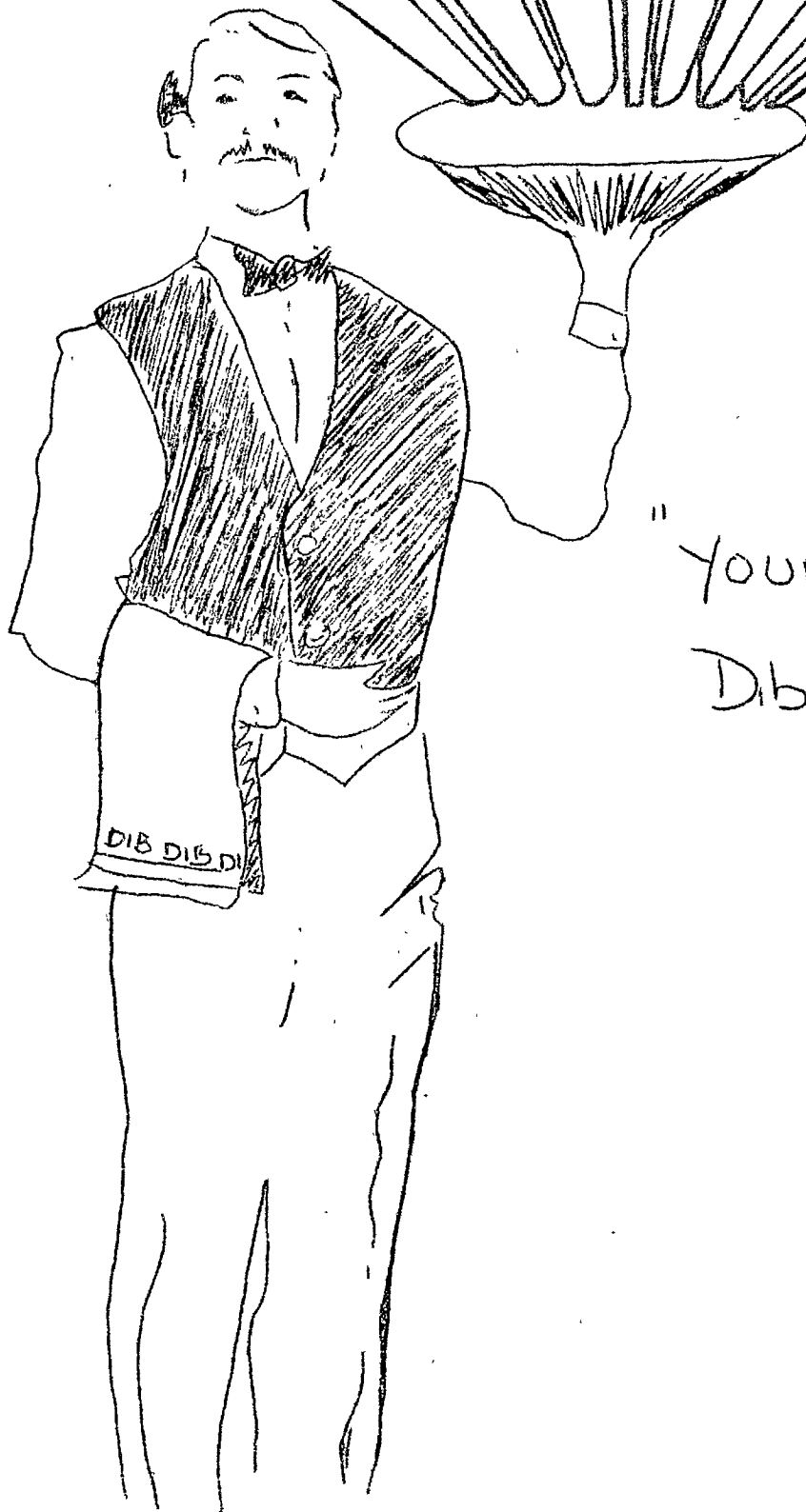


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"Your games-only
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Sir "

Welcome to the 47th issue of Dib Dib Dib - a zine normally dedicated to chat, articles, letters, and any other odd bits of little interest - but, out of necessity, only able to concentrate on games this time. Cost of this issue 23p + postage (40p in the UK). Anyone wishing to send money, send it to Tom Tweedy, 29 Stanley Hill Avenue, Amersham, Bucks., HP7 9BD. Tel. 02403 4513

EDITORIAL

Well, it finally had to happen, out of all the issues I've published, this is the first time Dib has ever been cut to a 'games only' issue. Not bad I suppose after 47 issues. So what's my excuse... have I finally cracked up? No, not yet anyway. It's just that I went out and bought that new computer I was talking about last month. And a luvlerly thing she is too. (Hmm, why do men call machines, boats, cars that they like 'she'?) I finally settled for the Canon A-200 as being the best, and after having £200 knocked off at the very start (God knows how much dealers must make if they can afford to do that) and being able to get £600 part-exchange on my old Apple (Pete 'Doubting' Birks please note), I got quite a good deal, thank you very much. Which just goes to show what one can get if one tries.

Anyway, I still have tons of software if anyone's interested: dBASE II, Applewriter II, DOS Toolkit, List Handler, 3 Wizardry scenarios, Ultima II and lots of other games, plus all the manuals. Let me know if you have access to an Apple; some of the stuff I'm giving away.

You can see my problem - not only did I have all my files on Applewriter single-sided disks, but I had to change them over to double-sided MS-DOS disks, ~~and have to teach myself to use the new "WordStar" word processing package.~~ With the manual being two inches thick, that's one hell of information to assimilate all in one go, I can tell you! So far I've learned just enough to get this issue of Dib out - now all I've got to do is run through the owners manual, run through the DOS manual, and skip through the basic manual (after all I have to re-type my Jotto program). After that, I can sit back and relax reading the new database manual, 'Friday' (by Ashton Tate). I'm glad to say, at least I had the foresight enough to run off this issue's labels before getting rid of the Apple, but I'll certainly need more labels for next issue. (Mind you I think Spots is due before then - stroll on!)

But enough about computers. I hear from Richard Downes that the 'Treasure Trap' people haven't been able to renew their leasehold on the castle in Cheshire. A crying shame because this is escapism and gamesmanship in the purest form, and there's not too many of those pastimes around. What are we left with now, Western mock-ups and hunting weekends where one hunts others with a gun loaded with paint? All good stuff I'm sure. However, all is not lost it seems, Treasure Trap will be moving on to Chislehurst Caves. I don't know if it'll be as good though (of course there's bound to be some who'll say it isn't) but if anyone gets to hear about the new venue, or better, goes to it, please let me know.

I believe Nicholas Clifton had an idea for using these very caves, though I'm not sure what for. I think it was to hold a Con there - 'CaveCon'. Sounds a great title, Nick, what happened to the idea?

I'm getting to the bottom of the page now - I don't want to do too much more because I've to get this out; the games being more important than the zine. Still, room enough to say that the latest 20 Years On (Issue 12) has arrived from Ian Shaw - and very nice it looks too. For those of you who don't have his address it's: 2 Whinfell Close, Streatham, London, SW16 1QG (Tel. 01 769 0111) between 24th March and 28th April, and at Stephenson Hall, Oakholme Road, Sheffield, S10 3DF the rest of the time.

ZINE POLL 1985

Yes, once again the so-called silly season has crept up on us - last month the Gladys Awards (I hope you all got your votes in) this month, the announcement of the 'biggie'. Normally I like to give this a big plug, but as I've said I don't have the time - perhaps next issue. Anyway the rules are:-

1. Eligibility: Any European amateur zine which is concerned with postal gaming and which has published at least two issues since Jan 1st 1985.
2. Voters: A voter must vote for at least two but no more than ten zines and should be a regular reader of each one. Editors and co-editors may not vote for their own zine.
3. Voting Method: The zines voted for should be placed in order of preference, from favourite zine downwards. Ties are permitted.
4. Assessment: A voter's first-placed zine will receive 10 points, the second-placed zine will receive 9 points, and so on down to 1 point for the tenth zine. The zine that receives the most points will win the poll.
5. Inclusion: All zines that receive points, no matter how few, will be included in the final results.
6. Deadline: Will be SATURDAY JULY 20TH 1985, and all votes should be sent to, Richard Walkerdine, 144 Stoughton Road, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 6PG.
7. Results: Will be published in MP 110 in early August. Anyone who doesn't normally see MP can have a copy of the results issue for the cost of postage (though of course I shall also publish the results in the following issue of Dib).

Last year an all-time record of 258 voted - as the hobby has grown somewhat, let's see if we can beat it, get your votes in. AND DON'T FORGET TO VOTE FOR YOU-KNOW-WHO! (No... not Dogdross)

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MANORCON 85: At long last, after all the mucking about, it seems MANORCON has been sorted out and is now most definitely ON. A firm booking has now been made for Friday 19th to Sunday 21st July at High Hall, Church Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham. Costs are £4 convention fee plus £9.75 per night (£12.75 if booked after the end of June) bed and breakfast. All cheques should be made payable to the 'Universities Diplomacy Tournament' and sent to Richard Walkerdine, 144 Stoughton Road, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 6PG. Thanks to Richard this issue should find enclosed Manorcon flyers.

JOTTO Turn 1,2 and 3

I've changed my mind - due to popular request (the letter from the trouble maker will be in the next issue of Dib) I will now choose six words from the good old reliable 'puzzlers dictionary', the Chambers, each word will be six letters long. Each month you send in one word and I then score each letter against each of my six words. For instance, if you submitted DETOUR and the six secret words were: RESORT, BASKET, GENTLE, PRIEST, MORTAR, BOTTLE the scores would be: 4, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3 respectively. Obvious aim is to find all six words.

Only a few people at the moment: Kathy Collman, Richard Lampard, Brian Moore, Richard Downes and Mike Deans - at 50p a shot that £2.50 prize money already. If anyone else would like to join, just send FOUR guesses in next turn to catch up (Kathy needs to catch up with 4, and Richard L. with 3).

|                 |                          |               |             |
|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| KATHY COLLMAN:  | 1st: None yet            | R.J. LAMPARD: | 1st: 312224 |
| BRIAN MOORE:    | 1st: 201233; 2nd 133221; |               | 3rd 112201  |
| RICHARD DOWNES: | 1st: 211211; 2nd 221123; |               | 3rd 021211  |
| MIKE DEANS:     | 1st: 242232; 2nd 313333; |               | 3rd 113102  |

'Lamfhada' (1983EE)Autumn 1907

## ITALY SEES HIS CHANCE TO STAB - AUSTRIA PAYS DEARLY FOR HIS NMR

AUSTRIA (James Cowie) NMR! Has: A(Bud), A(Ser), A(Alb), A(Boh), A(Vie)  
 ENGLAND (David Crawford) F(NTH)-Lon, A(Edi)-Yor  
 FRANCE (Alan Sharples) F(NAO)-NWG, F(Lpl)stands, A(Bel)-Hol, A(Ruh)-Kie,  
 A(Bur)-Mun, F(BAL) S A(Ruh)-Kie, F(ENC)-Lon, F(Bre)-ENC, A(Pic)-Bel  
 GERMANY (R.J. Lampard) \*A(Kie)-Ruh, A(Hol) S ENGLISH F(NTH)-Bel, A(Mun)-Ber  
 ITALY (Paul Donley) A(Ven)-Tri, A(Apu)-Ven, F(ION)-AEG, F(Gre) S F(ION)-AEG  
 RUSSIA (Mike Close) A(Fin)-Nor, F(Swe)stands, F(NWG)-NTH, F(BAR)-NWG,  
 A(Sev)-Arm, F(BLA)-Con, [[A(Rum) S AUSTRIAN  
A(Ser)-Bul]]  
 TURKEY (Simon Craddock) F(Bul-sc)-Gre, F(AEG) S F(Bul-sc)-Gre, F(Ank)-BLA,  
A(Con)-Bul

Retreats: GERMAN A(Kie) diesWinter 1907 Adjustments:

AUS: Bud, Vie, (Tri), Ser, (Gre) = 3 GM disbands A(Boh), A(Alb)  
 ENG: Lon, Edi = 2 No Change  
 FRA: Par, Mar, Bre, Spa, Por, Bel, Lpl, (Hol), (Swe) + Kie, Mun = 9 No Change  
 GER: Ber, (Mun), (Kie) + Hol = 2 No Change  
 ITA: Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun + Tri, Gre = 6 Builds: F(Nap), F(Rom)  
 RUS: StP, Mos, War, Nor, Sev, Den, Rum + Swe = 8 Builds: F(StP-sc)  
 TUR: Smy, Con, Ank, Bul = 4 No Change  
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PRESS:

France - Russia: --(The -real thing this time.) Why don't you write to me any more? Would it help if I sent you a postcard?

Italy - Austria: Stick that in your pipe and smoke it.

'Macha' (1983EN)Autumn 1907

## THE BIG TWO POUND THE SOUTH-EAST INTO RUBBLE

ENGLAND (Anarchy) Has: F(Lon), F(Lpl)  
 FRANCE (Bill Haygarth) F(MAO)-Spa-sc, A(Gas) S F(MAO)-Spa-sc, F(ENC)-MAO,  
 F(NTH)-ENC, F(Nor)-Swe, A(Den) S A(Hol)-Kie, A(Hol)-Kie,  
 A(Mun)stands, A(Ruh) S A(Mun), A(Bur)-Mar, A(StP)stands,  
 F(BAR) S A(StP)  
 ITALY (Alan Frost) A(Pie)stands, F(GOL)-Spa-sc, F(TYS)-WMS, F(ION)-Tun,  
 A(Boh)-Mun, A(Tyr) S A(Boh)-Mun, A(Gal)-Rum, A(Bul) S  
 F(AEG)-Con, F(AEG)-Con, F(EMS) stands unordered  
 RUSSIA (Steve Rennie) A(Mos) S A(Lvn)-StP, A(Lvn)-StP, A(Sil)-War, [[A(Ber)  
S ITALIAN A(Tyr)-Mun]], F(BLA)-Ank, A(Arm) S F(BLA)-Ank  
 TURKEY (Ulf Jiretorn) NMR! Has: F(Smy), \*A(Ank), \*F(Con)

Retreats: TURKISH A(Ank) dies, TURKISH F(Con) diesWinter 1907 Adjustments:

ENG: Lon, Lpl = 2 Nge  
 FRA: Par, Mar, Por, Bel, Spa, Bre, Mun, Hol, Edi, Nor,  
 Kie, StP + Swe, Den = 14 Builds: A(Par), A(Bre)  
 ITA: Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun, Vie, Tri, Bud, Ser, Gre, Bul  
 + Rum, Con = 12 No builds ordered  
 RUS: Mos, War, Sev, (Rum), Ber, (Swe), (Den) + Ank = 5 Disbands A(Ber)  
 TUR: (Con), Smy, (Ank) = 1 No Change  
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PRESS:

Diplomacy wally of the year awards: At this year's Diplomacy wally of the year awards, the awards committee have decided to give a special award to one of the most exciting young talents in the field of the diplomacy cock-up. This award goes to Alan Frost whose performance in Dib Dib Dib game Macha has turned the diplomacy cock-up into a true art-form. In his presentation speech Awards committee chairman Mr. Tom Tweedy (himself a renowned ex. diplomacy wally) said that after such a truly wally-like start, there should be nothing to prevent Alan from becoming one of the true greats in this field. And having seen his performance in Macha who are we to disagree?

Italy - Russia: Thanks for setting me straight. I'd never have guessed. OK. If that's what you want...

'Nuada' (1984BN)

Autumn 1904

WITHOUT TAKING TOO MANY CHANCES AUSTRIA SNEAKS INTO SMY

|                         |                                                                                                          |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AUSTRIA (John Cavanagh) | A(Tri) S A(Bud), A(Rum) S A(Bul), A(Bul) S A(Rum),<br>F(AEG)-Smy, F(Gre)-AEG, A(Bud) S A(Tri)            |
| ENGLAND (Martin Allen)  | F(Wal)-IRI, F(Edi)-Cly, F(NTH)-Nor                                                                       |
| FRANCE (Paul Morton)    | NMRI Has: A(Pic), A(Par), A(Bre)                                                                         |
| GERMANY (Mike Close)    | F(Swe) S ENGLISH F(NTH)-Nor, F(HEL)-Den, A(Bel)-Hol,<br>A(Bur)-Bel, A(Pru)-War, A(Yor)-Lpl, F(Lon)stands |
| ITALY (R.J. Lampard)    | A(Gas)-Mar, F(Spa-nc)-Por, F(ADS) S F(TYS)-ION,<br>F(TYS)-ION, A(Ven)-Tri                                |
| RUSSIA (Cathy Cunning)  | *F(Nor) S ENGLISH F(NTH), A(StP)-Lvn, A(Lvn)-War,<br>F(Sev)-BLA                                          |
| TURKEY (Chris Sandow)   | F(Ank) S A(Con), A(Con)stands                                                                            |

Retreats: RUSSIAN F(Nor)-NWG

Winter 1904 Adjustments:

|                                                   |                            |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| AUS: Bud, Vie, Tri, Ser, Bul, Gre, Rum + Smy      | = 8 Builds: A(Vie)         |
| ENG: (Lon), (Lpl), Edi + Nor                      | = 2 Disbands F(Cly)        |
| FRA: Bre, Par, (Por)                              | = 2 GM Disbands A(Pic)     |
| GER: Mun, Ber, Kie, Den, Hol, Bel, Swe + Lpl, Lon | = 9 Builds: F(Kie), A(Mun) |
| ITA: Rom, Ven, Nap, Mar, Tun, Spa + Por           | = 7 Builds: A(Rom), F(Nap) |
| RUS: Mos, War, StP, Sev, (Nor)                    | = 4 No Change              |
| TUR: (Smy), Ank, Con                              | = 2 No Change              |

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PRESS:

Turkey - Russia: I wouldn't trust you an inch - but under the circumstances...

Mother Russia - English Person: Don't leave us now! We finally found a use for you.

Moscow - Tweedybird: You're right about Close. Just watch him twist all these poor innocent souls around his fingers. Any hints on how to stop him?

Tweedybird - Calamity Cath: Yes, er, shotgun, bomb, smashing him with a runaway train would be good - but failing all that, turn everyone against him (you might have better luck than me, I've been trying that for years).

'Olwen' (1984B0)

Autumn 1905

ENGLAND AND AUSTRIA OUT - ITALY FORGETS TO BUILD

|                             |                                                                                                                                     |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AUSTRIA (Mick Bensted)      | NMRI Has: *A(Bud), A(Rum), F(ADS)                                                                                                   |
| ENGLAND (Grahame MacLennan) | NMRI Has: *F(Lpl)                                                                                                                   |
| FRANCE (Colin Pickard)      | F(MAO) S A(Edi)-Lpi)-Lpl, F(MAO)stands,<br>A(Tyr)-Mun, *F(NTH)-Hol, F(ENC) S A(Bel), A(Bel) S<br>A(Bur)-Ruh, A(Bur)-Ruh, A(Par)-Bur |

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GERMANY (Kenny Adams) F(Nor) S F(SKA)-NTH, F(SKA)-NTH, F(GOB)-StP,  
A(Ukr)-Sev, A(Mun)-Sil, A(Kie)-Mun, \*A(Ruh) S  
A(Hol), A(Hol) S A(Ruh)

ITALY (Nick Lourie) A(Tri)-Bud, A(Vie) S A(Tri)-Bud, A(Ven)-Tri,  
F(Apu)-Ven, F(ION)-ADS

RUSSIA (Nicholas Whyte) A(Mos)-StP, A(War)stands

TURKEY (Ian Winstanley) [[F(Alb) S ITALIAN A(Tri)]], F(AEG)-Gre; F(BLA) C  
A(Con)-Rum, A(Con)-Rum, A(Bul) S A(Con)-Rum,  
A(Ser) S A(Con)-Rum

Retreats: AUSTRIAN A(Bud) dies; AUSTRIAN A(Rum) dies; ENGLISH F(Lpl) dies;  
FRENCH F(NTH)-Den; GERMAN A(Ruh) dies

Winter 1905 Adjustments:

AUS: (Vie), (Bud), (Rum) GM disbands F(ADS) for 0 OUT!

ENG: (Nor) No Change for 0 OUT!

FRA: Par, Bre, Mar, Bel, Spa, Por, Lpl, Lon, Edi + Den Builds: F(Bre) for 10

GER: Mun, Kie, Ber, Swe, Hol, (Den), StP; (War) + Nor, Sev Builds: A(Ber) for 8

ITA: Rom, Ven, Nap, Tun, Tri + Bud, Vie No builds ord for 7 (2 short)

RUS: Mos, (Sev) + War No Change for 2

TUR: Con, Smy, Ank, Bul, Ser, Gre + Rum Builds: A(Con) for 7

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PRESS:

Russia - Germany: Don't say I didn't warn you!

D38 Former Players Club: May be about to gain another member.

Old Lancashire Saying: Here's one oth' Best - May thi shaddo never grow less,  
Nor thi pocket eawther.

Turkey - Luton Town: ((Luton Town?)) Really! Next time you attend one of these  
Tory student conferences, kindly control yourself.

'Pryderi' (1984DA)Spring 1905

COULD BE ANYONE'S GAME - IF I'M PAID ENOUGH

AUSTRIA (Pete Mason) A(Gre)-Ser, A(Alb)-Gre, F(Tri)-ADS, A(Vie)-Tyr,  
A(Bud)-Tri, A(Bul) S RUSSIAN F(BLA)-Con

ENGLAND (Ralph Baker) None?

FRANCE (John Piggott) A(Lon)-Bel, F(NTH) C A(Lon)-Bel, A(Bel)-Ruh, F(Bre)-  
MAO, F(ENC) S F(NTH), A(Par)-Bur, A(Mar)-Tus,  
F(COL) C A(Mar)-Tus, \*F(Tun)-ION

GERMANY (Nick Hoyle) F(Den)-BAL, F(Kie) S F(Den)-BAL, F(HEL)-Den, A(Mun)-  
Sil, A(Hol)stands

ITALY (Mike Pollard) A(Ven)-Tus, F(ION)-Tun, F(TYS) S F(ION)-Tun

RUSSIA (David Crawford) F(BLA)-Con, F(Rum)-BLA, A(Sev)-Arm, F(BAL)-Ber,  
A(War)-Sil, A(Swe)-Den, A(Nor)stands

TURKEY (Iain Forsyth) A(Smy)-Arm, F(Ank)-BLA, \*A(Con)stands

Retreats: FRENCH F(Tun)-WMS; TURKISH A(Con) dies

PRESS:

Ethilfrog Towers - Luton Airport: Congratulations on reaching your 46th issue.  
I'm sure I don't need to remind you that your next edition should be number 1.

Luton Airport - Ethilfrog Towers: I think you'll have to remind me, the reason  
so far has escaped me. After all, I'm renowned for my animal magnetism to  
n, not for my incredible memory.

Bedbug Island: I see that the cynical and treacherous Piggott has brutally  
stabbed Germany by occupying NTH. Of course, in Dolchstoss (advt) I would have

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warned everyone several moves in advance. Pryderi players have only themselves to blame, of course, for choosing a zine whose games service borders on the second class. ((Someone I know is close to having his orders lost - not that I may bear a grudge you understand... God forbid...)) My old mate, Pete Mason, for one, should have known better.

Piggott's task has been made easier, of course, by England's defeatism. If I were playing England, I would certainly (of course) have built F(Edi) this move. No game is lost until it is lost - let that be the watchword of all the players. Even Piggott; surely, even in Dib, you aren't going to allow him to win! ((\*Sigh\* the gems this inveterate liar comes out with...))

Ethilfrog Towers: I wish to protest most strongly about the press submitted by 'Bedbug Island'. Bedbug's consistent anti-Piggott stance is becoming a source of quite significant irritation. How dare he say that Russia and Turkey wouldn't wish to share a page with me! I'm so annoyed, I nearly threw a tantrum! ((Oh dear... still never mind, eh, just think of all the enjoyment it gives other people.))

Canvey Island - Nick: I lied. I'm sorry. But this is a Diplomacy game, and I intend to win it.

'Quadri' (1984???)

Spring 1904

AUSTRIANS, ITALIANS AND RUSSIANS LINING UP AGAINST THE POOR TURK

|                              |                                                                                                                        |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AUSTRIA (James Steele)       | A(Ser)-Bul, F(Gre) S A(Ser)-Bul, A(Alb) S F(Gre), A(Tri)-Ven, A(Bud)-Vie                                               |
| ENGLAND (Piers Shepperson)   | <u>F(ENC)-Bel</u> , <u>F(NWG)-NTH</u> , F(HEL) S F(Den)-Kie, <u>F(Den)-Kie</u>                                         |
| FRANCE (Alan Powis)          | A(Lpl)-Edi, F(MAO)-Cly, <u>F(MAO)-ENC</u> , A(Bur)stands, A(Par) S A(Bur); A(Bre)stands                                |
| GERMANY (Richard Wernick)    | A(Mun)-Kie, A(Hol) S A(Mun)-Kie, <u>A(Ruh)-Bel</u> , <u>F(NTH) S FRENCH</u> A(Lpl)-Edi                                 |
| ITALY (Martin Clifford-King) | * <u>F(Smy) S RUSSIAN</u> F(BLA)-Con, F(ION)-AEG, <u>A(Ven)-Tri</u> , A(Apu)stands, F(Nap)-ION                         |
| RUSSIA (Richard Downes)      | F(Nor) S A(Fin)-Swe, A(Fin)-Swe, F(Rum) S AUSTRIAN A(Ser)-Bul, A(Sev)-Arm, F(BLA) S A(Sev)-Arm, A(Mos)-Ukr, A(War)-Gal |
| TURKEY (R.J. Lampard)        | A(Ank)-Smy, A(Con) S A(Ank)-Smy, * <u>A(Bul)stands</u>                                                                 |

Retreats: ITALIAN F(Smy)-EMS; TURKISH A(Bul) dies

COA: Martin Clifford-King, 88 Argyle Road, Southampton, SO2 0BQ.

PRESS:

Turkey - Bugbed Island: I'm only trying to get to 100-1

Chiropodist: Another patient! Put it on the table. (Stunned pause) that's not a foot! Il Duce: I know, but it's a good six inches. ((Filthy beast - go wash your mouth out!))

'Rhiannon' (1984???)

Autumn 1903

ENGLAND RESTS AFTER HIS HARD DRIVE FORWARD  
(Turkey gets all the spoils)

|                         |                                                                      |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AUSTRIA (Gil Von Gavel) | F(ION)-TYS, A(Tyr) S A(Tri)-Ven, A(Tri)-Ven, <u>A(Bel)-War</u>       |
| ENGLAND (Gary Piper)    | NATI Has <u>F(ENC)</u> , A(Yor), F(Nor)                              |
| FRANCE (Ralph Baker)    | MAO, A(Gas)-Bre, <u>A(Pic)-Bel</u> , A(Mar)-Bur, A(Par) S A(Mar)-Bur |

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GERMANY (Dave Bird) F(Den)-Swe, F(SKA) S F(Den)-Swe, A(Hol) S A(Bel),  
A(Bel)stands, A(Bur)-Mun, A(Sil)-War  
ITALY (Anarchy) Has: \*A(Ven), F(Nap)  
RUSSIA (Anarchy) Has: \*F(Swe), A(Ukr);  
TURKEY (Luke Clutterbuck) A(Mos)-War, A(Rum)-Ser, F(AEG)-Gre, F(EMS)-ION,  
F(Tun) S F(EMS)-ION, F(Sev)-BLA

Retreats: ITALIAN A(Ven) dies; RUSSIAN F(Swe) dies.

Winter 1903 Adjustments:

AUS: Vie, Tri, Bud, (Ser), (Gre) + Ven = 4 No Change  
ENG: Lon, Lpl, Edi + Nor = 4 No Change (1 SHORT)  
FRA: Par, Bre, Mar, Por, Spa = 5 No Change  
GER: Mun, Kie, Ber, Den, Hol, Bel + Swe = 7 Builds: F(Kie)  
ITA: Rom, Nap, (Ven) = 2 No Change (1 SHORT)  
RUS: (Mos), War, StP, (Swe) = 2 No Change (1 SHORT)  
TUR: Smy, Con, Ank, Bul, Sev, Rum  
+ Mos, Ser, Gre, Tun = 10 Builds: A(Con), A(Ank), A(Smy) (1 SHORT)  
Neutrals: (Nor), (Tun) = 0  
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PRESS:

Norway - Tunis: It couldn't happen to nicer guys!

Germany - France: Sorry.

Germany - Turkey: Hi ho Silver away!

Norway - Tunis: Aaaargh!!!

'Setanta' (1984??)Spring 1902

AUSTRIA APPEARS TO HAVE CAUGHT GERMANY WITH HIS PANTS DOWN

AUSTRIA (Jon Moss) A(Tri) S A(Vie)-Tyr, A(Vie)-Tyr, A(Bud) S A(Tri),  
A(Ser)-Bul, F(Gre) S A(Ser)-Bul  
ENGLAND (Ian Jago) F(NTH) S A(Bel); \*A(Bel)stands, F(ENC)-MAO, F(LON)-  
Wal  
FRANCE (Robert Lozynskyj) F(MAO)-NAO, F(Bre)-MAO, A(Par)-Bre, A(Spa)-Gas,  
A(Por)-Spa  
GERMANY (Mike Deans) A(Mun)stands, A(Ruh)-Bel, A(Hol) S A(Ruh)-Bel,  
F(Kie)-HEL, F(Den)-NTH  
ITALY (Alan Powis) A(Tyr)-Pie, A(Ven)stands, F(Nap)-TYS, F(Tun)-WMS  
RUSSIA (Paul Finch) F(Swe)-SKA, A(Nor)-Fin, F(StP-nc)-Nor, F(BLA) S  
A(Rum), A(Rum) S AUSTRIAN A(Ser)-Bul, A(Mos)-War  
TURKEY (Victor Hall) NMR! Has: F(Smy), F(Con), \*A(Bul), A(Ank)

Retreats: ENGLISH A(Bel) dies (NRO); TURKISH A(Bul) dies

PRESS:

France - World: Good game this. I have had as much correspondence from Russia as everyone else put together. Can any conclusions be drawn from this? ((Ooo, sharp... very sharp.))

'Taranis' (1985??)Pre-Autumn 1901

LUTON AIRPORT: Unfortunately this game has to be held over - my fault entirely as I've lost/accidentally thrown away the Provisional orders for Russia. A botched job because of the computer changeover. Please accept my abject apologies for the delay. I've orders on file from everyone but Ulf - these may be changed at any time.



'KEVIN' GAMESTATEMENT

GAME: 1983DI

ZINE: DIB DIB DIB

GM: Tom Tweedy

Game Commenced: Issue 30

Game Ended: Issue 46 (March 1985)

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|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|----------------------|
| AUSTRIA (Chris Sandow)    | 3  | 3  | 2  | 0  | -  | -  | -   | -   | -  | Drop-out S03 Out A03 |
| ENGLAND (Richard Wernick) | 3  | 4  | 4  | 6  | 5  | 4  | 3   | 3*  | 1  |                      |
| FRANCE (Dave Tottey)      | 3  | 4  | 3  | 3  | 0  | -  | -   | -   | -  | Drop-out A04 Out A04 |
| GERMANY (Victor Hall)     | 3  | 5  | 8  | 9  | 11 | 13 | 14* | 14* | 19 | THE WINNER!          |
| ITALY (Frank Dunn)        | 3  | 3  | 3  | 2  | 2  | 1  | 0   | -   | -  | Drop-out A03 Out A06 |
| RUSSIA (R.J. Lampard)     | 4  | 7  | 8  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 9   | 11  | 12 |                      |
| TURKEY (Mike Motley)      | 3  | 4  | 5  | 7  | 8  | 7  | 8   | 6   | 2  | Drop-out A07         |

(\* denotes number of units short)

Russia (R.J. Lampard):

"After an initial piece of good fortune - everything got bogged down! England was a bloody nuisance, the Turks were a bloody nuisance - only Germany was kind - unfortunately I suppose I was too kind to him for too long! Turkey made the mistake of implying that Germany 1 Russia 2 wouldn't happen - so I suppose I was stupid enough to prove it could! Thanks to Victor (God knows why (he's a good correspondent!)). P.S. It's stupid to play an all army Russia - I know by experience!"

England (Richard Wernick):

"I started this game with great expectations, since for the first time I was playing England. My basic plan was to knock out Russia in a few turns and then to move south. Unfortunately despite Germany's support, I became bogged down in and around Scandinavia. By Spring 1905 I was in severe difficulties, this was noticed by Victor (Germany) and the inevitable stab took place, but in his favour, he did not go as far as he could have, enabling me to stay in the game, from Spring '07 principally on the sidelines. Congratulations to Victor on a well-deserved victory and to Richard L. on a good second, and to everyone else best wishes. I promise to get my orders in a bit more promptly next time, Tom!"

Sopwith (T067DD)AlbatrossTurn 3

|                                     | MOVE 1   | MOVE 2   | MOVE 3    | HEX F/HEX | AMMO | DGE | RAT |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|------|-----|-----|
| HENRY'S CAT:<br>Tim Collieu         | LT - f0, | LT - fL, | LT - f0   | E7 D6     | 15   | 12  | 0   |
| THE PINK PANTHER:<br>Richard Downes | LT - f0, | A - f0,  | LT - f0   | D5 E6     | 14   | 12  | 0   |
| KAMEE KAZEE:<br>Ian Tillson         | A - f0,  | A - f0,  | A - f0    | J10 J9    | 16   | 11  | 0   |
| ASTROFLY:<br>Ian Jago               | A - f0,  | A - f0,  | A - f0    | J16 I16   | 14   | 10  | 0   |
| ANON 2:<br>David Abbott             | RT - f0, | A - fR,  | RT - fL+R | K6 K7     | 13   | 12  | 0   |
| ANON 3:<br>David Crawford           | RT - f0, | A - f0,  | RT - f0   | M9 N9     | 16   | 12  | 0   |

CLOUD HOPPER: Yippee!! We're off!!! - just one year to the month since I agreed to GM this game!!! - Nothing much happening though, until we all find our feet!

DAMAGE (DGE): Kamee Kazee clips a cloud for 1 point of damage - otherwise nothing. Next turn could be quite different!

CLOUD POSITIONS NEXT TURN (beginning of Turn 4): All move North East

(1) J12, K11, K12, L12

(2) Q12, Q13, Q14

(3) L18, M18, M19

(4) J14, G15, H15

(5) R18, R19, ??, S19

(6) N15, N16, O17, O18

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(Albatross press)

PRESS:

Henry's Cat and the Dogfight: One day Henry's Cat was watching a film on television about fighter pilots. He decided that it would have been nice to have flown in a bi-plane, with a big moustache and goggles. He fell asleep in his armchair and was soon dreaming he was flying above the fields of France. "I do hope I'm home in time for tea," thought Henry's Cat as he turned towards his prey...

Henry's Collie - The Pink Downes: Remember me?

Cloud Hopper (Again!): Due to popular request your addresses are:-

Tim Collieu, Room 408 (LUTON AIRPORT: I have 409 - Tim?), Dame Agnes Weston Hall, 237 Albert Road, Devonport, Plymouth.

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Ian Tillson, 5 Shackleton Way, Woodley, Reading, RG5 4UU.

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David Abbott, Gilgo Cottage, Gore Lane, Alderley Edge, Cheshire.

David Crawford, 14 Kiln Street, Fintona, Co Down, Northern Ireland, BT78 2BG.

Cloud Hopper (Again, Again!) - Richard: Mmm - seems like a good idea, if ever I summon up the effort to write to you then you're on!

LUTON AIRPORT - Cloud Hopper: Don't worry about the space - the game and the space is all yours, to do with and edit as you so wish.

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SOPWITH (T025DD)

'VULTURE'

TURN 19

GM: Nicholas Clifton, Clifton Hill House, Lower Clifton Hill, Bristol, BS8 1BX

|                      | <u>MOVE 1</u>       | <u>MOVE 2</u> | <u>MOVE 3</u> | <u>HEX F/HEX</u> | <u>AMMO</u> | <u>DGE</u> | <u>RAT</u> |
|----------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| <u>LT. DEZ TROY:</u> | BETA, A - F0,       | A - F0,       | RT - F0       | P17              | O17         | 16         | 8 12       |
| Martyred Lives       |                     |               |               |                  |             |            |            |
| <u>CLOUD HOPPER:</u> | RT - F0,            | RT - F0,      | A - F0        | H4               | G3          | 16         | 7 16       |
| John Bycroft         |                     |               |               |                  |             |            |            |
| <u>FLYER TUCK:</u>   | NMR! Remains LANDED |               |               | J19              | ??          | 16         | 9 87       |
| Richard Morris       |                     |               |               |                  |             |            |            |

DAMAGE (DGE): ...Boring...

CLOUD POSITIONS (at the beginning of turn 20): All move North

(1) I9,J8,J9,K8,K9

(2) P9,P10,P11

(3) K15,L15,L16

(4) E11,F12,G12

(5) Q14,Q15,Q16,R16

(6) M12,M13,N14,N15

PRESS:

LUTON AIRPORT: Nicholas will be going to Australia from June 24th - September 24th, and says it's unlikely that he'll be able to adjudicate this game in that time. Which would you prefer: (a) that the game is held over, or (b) I find someone else to run the game temporarily? Please let me know (or Nick) for next time. Orders in to Nicholas next time as usual.

SOPWITH (T036DD) GM Tom Tweedy

'HARRIER'

TURN 9

|                           | <u>MOVE 1</u>             | <u>MOVE 2</u> | <u>MOVE 3</u> | <u>HEX F/HEX</u> | <u>AMMO</u> | <u>DGE</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|-------------|------------|
| <u>CAPTAIN SLOG</u>       | LS - F0,                  | LS -*FA,      | A -*FA        | S13              | S12         | 10 8       |
| Simon Craddock            |                           |               |               |                  |             |            |
| <u>COL. BLINK:</u>        | NMR Moves A,A,A - CRASHES |               |               |                  |             |            |
| Mike Motley               |                           |               |               |                  |             |            |
| <u>CURLEY CARRUTHERS:</u> | A - F0,                   | A - F0,       | LANDS         | S10              | ??          | 16 4       |
| Brian Moore               |                           |               |               |                  |             |            |

DAMAGES (DGE): Now we see a light at the end of the tunnel - in Move 2 Captain Slog tires ahead and hits Cufey as he lands (inflicting 1 dge). In Move 3 Col Blink crashes off the board ahares out his remaining 6 dge points to the  
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two surviving players. Also in Move 3 Slog fires ahead again hitting Curley (inflicting another 2 points of damage). A good round.

CLOUD POSITIONS (for beginning of turn 10): All move South East

- (1) F6,G5,G6,H5,H6      (2) L12,M12,N12      (3) K6,L6,L7
- (4) K15,L16,M16      (5) P11,P12,Q12,R12      (6) F9,G9,H10,I10

SOPWITH (T029DD) GM Tom Tweedy

'JUBJUB'

TURN 16

|                                         | MOVE 1          | MOVE 2         | MOVE 3         | HEX | F/HEX | AMMO | DGE |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-----|-------|------|-----|
| LENIN THE ELEPHANT:<br>Matt Quartermain | <u>RT</u> - f0, | <u>A</u> - fR, | <u>I</u> - fR  | H17 | H16   | 13   | 3   |
| BARON BEETLE:<br>Nicholas Clifton       | <u>I</u> -*fR,  | RT - fA,       | <u>RT</u> - fL | H16 | G16   | 8    | 8   |

DAMAGES (DGE): I made a slight mistake last time - Lenin did NOT take 4 points of damage from the Baron, because a cloud happened to be in the way. My apologies for the error. Anyway, this Turn sees some action: In Move 1 Baron Beetle bravely flies through a cloud (giving himself 1 dge) fires right and hits the panicking Lenin right between the eyes (Lenin takes 3 dge). In Move 2 Lenin flies through a cloud (taking 1 dge). And in Move 3 Beetle flies through a cloud (and he takes 1 dge). Nice bit of flying.

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CLOUD POSITIONS NEXT TURN (beginning of turn 17): All move South West

- (1) A6,B5,B6,C5,C6      (2) H12,I12,J12      (3) H6,I6,I7
- (4) H15,I16,J16      (5) L11,L12,M12,N12      (6) B9,C9,D10,E10

DIBS AND DRABS

Ah, the last section - I have quite a few letters, and a couple of articles, zine reviews (as such), of which I'll hold over until next issue. My apologies in advance for this issue being a bit of a disaster - it couldn't be helped I'm afraid.

GUEST SOPWITH GM NEEDED to take over 'Vulture' (see page 10). Apply to me (Tom), not Nicholas. I've never thought of temporary guest GMs before - never thought I needed them. Well I'll ask around (Mike Deans did offer to run a game, perhaps I'll try him), but are there any VOLUNTEERS?

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THE ZINE BANK: If you wish to branch out, see what other zines are like, then this is the service to try first. Just send a large SAE and £1 to Alan Parr, who'll do his best to cram as many zines as he can into the envelope. Give details if there's any special zine you'd like to see. Alan Parr, 6 Longfield Gardens, Tring, Herts, HP23 4DW.

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DIPLOMACY WAITING LIST: Gamefee £2 no deposit (Don't forget preference lists). Daniel Brooks, Danny Collman - 5 wanted. There was also another couple of people on this list but I lost the names in the change over. As the newcomers have had their chance to put their names down, my waiting lists are now open to anyone.

SOPWITH WAITING LIST: Gamefee £1 no deposit. (Map and rules supplied) Richard Downes will be GMing this game. Terry Dibden, James Steele, Neil Parkin - 3 wanted.

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I still haven't had much time to catch up with my other hobby stuff, more's the pity. I'd like to make some comment about a couple more zines I've received - Luke Clutterbuck's new zine for one, very nice indeed - but it's not worth it as I'll be reviewing all my trades next month in preparation for the Zine Poll. Maybe if I'm brave enough I'll add my votes (likes from 1 to 10) as well. Though this won't reflect too much my likes and dislikes I suppose as I only trade with magazines that interest me anyway - can't afford to do anything else these days.

That's it then for another issue - my thanks to all those who wrote ('specially those who sent money) keep 'em coming. BYEE...