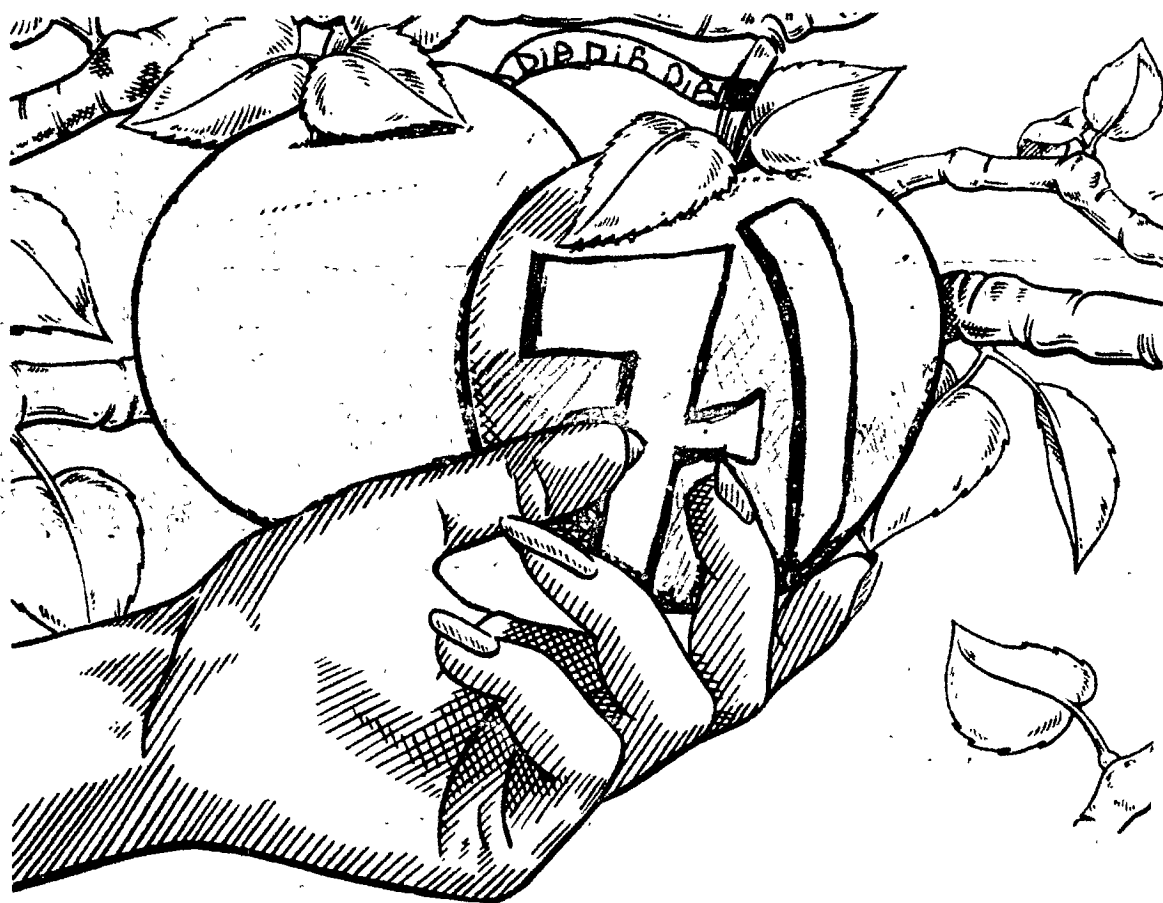


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EDITORIAL

As this is going to be a biggish issue I won't take up any more space than I have to with my ramblings. I'll just tack together the bits and pieces as I remember them (I'm getting a bit pushed for time anyway). This is what comes of having an issue that goes together too easily. Mind you, I've enjoyed doing it this time.

One little ego boo for me was in the latest CMag. I was startled to see in the CMag 45 questionnaire that two people actually thought I was a very important person!? Amazing. How this actually came about was in question 7: "WHO DO YOU THINK ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE IN THE HOBBY?"

The answers being: "Nick Kinzett 17; Richard Walkerdine 15; Richard Sharp 8; 'me' 6; John Piggott 4; Richard Egan 4; 3 votes each for Martin Lewis, John Marsden, David Watts and John Dodds; and 2 votes each for TOM TWEEDY, Richard Jackson, Peter Sullivan and Derek Caws; among the also-rans with 1 mention each were Don Turnbull, Derek Wilson, Pete Birks, Brian Creese, George North, Stephen Jilks, and 'the Manorcon committee, equally'."

Now why would two people think I warranted a mention in this section? I've given up the CGS... and it can't be for publishing Dib because I've been deliberately keeping it low key for quite some time now. It must be a joke.

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### JOTTO Turn 1-3

ROSIE ROBERTS : 1st 022421; 2nd 132122; 3rd 210122  
 STEVE THOMAS : 1st 131322; 2nd 322002; 3rd 242220  
 NICKY JOHNS : 1st 221311; 2nd 311014; 3rd 033241  
 CHARLES SMEDLEY: 1st 333213  
 KATH COLLMAN : 1st 112301; 2nd 131241; 3rd 312111

That means so far we have an enormous prize of £2.50 to be won. If anyone else is interested, just send in enough words to catch up with the rest (it's turn 4 next time) - the gamefee is 75p with 50p going towards a prize. And the rules again...

I choose six words from the Chambers dictionary, 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.

When you think you know all six words you may take a guess at them (you must guess all six) - but you must get ALL six right! Get one wrong and you're out. Plurals are accepted. Anagrams of the secret words are accepted.

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SOFTWARE ADVERTISEMENT: Clive Booth (ex editor of the superb Chimaera) has just sold his Atari 130 XE micro and asks me to advertise for sale his software. Some games I've never heard of but I'll make comment on games I've seen. All software is half price, original, and in excellent condition. (*Save game facility, 50-100 game playing hours, once copied Master Disks are never played on so are kept 'as new'.)

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		Ninja	£1.50

PLUS 'Carrier Force' £12.50. I wish someone would sell their IBM stuff at these prices! I've seen 'Pole Position' on the BBC B and thought it to be a very good Formula 1 simulation, but too fast for my aging reflexes. The *Ultima games, I've seen them all except Ultima I, and would highly recommend them to any D&D fans who like to search for magical weapons, monsters and solve clues. *Wizard's Crown is a superb game I'm playing on the IBM at this very moment (well, I had to put it down for five minutes to type up this) - 8 characters fighting hundreds of monsters, magical weapons and armour, ruins and dungeons to search, excellent system of sharing experience points to improve character traits. If interested write to Clive Booth, 80 Lee Lane, Langley, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE7 7HN.

MORE HINTS ON BUYING A MODEM

by Michele Morris

Yes there are a couple of things I'd like to say about your Modem article. First of all, what there is is just fine but I thought there were a couple of omissions that ought to be filled in:

1. Before people buy a modem they should check out if it requires a separate power supply. Our Amstrad has very few external connections but I know some computers have a veritable nest of spaghetti coming out of the back and even with an adaptor there are only so many things you can plug into one socket.
2. Check out if your Modem will need its own BT socket. Most Modems will plug into the new-style socket and the phone will then plug into the Modem, but some need two sockets. If you have the old style BT socket you'll also have to get the new style put in. If you want to leave the computer and modem

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permanently set up you may also want to consider installing an extension to your "computer room". The BT kit costs less than £10 and any twit can install it. (If Kris managed it anyone can.)

3. Do not under any circumstances be tempted into buying the acoustic couple type of modem. They are very cheap, but they are also very prone to line noise and interference and are a total waste of money.
4. When choosing your comms software see if you can have the option of having it on ROM rather than on disc. (A ROM is a silicon chip that sits inside your computer or sometimes, as in our case in the RS232 interface.) If you have the software on ROM it doesn't take up as much of the computer memory as a program loaded from disc therefore you have a bigger buffer to play with. (This means you don't have to interrupt your on-line sessions to save to disc as often as you might otherwise, which helps to cut down your time on-line and reduces your phone bill.) If the software is on ROM it is always available and it is almost impossible to corrupt it. It is very easy to accidentally wipe a program off of a disc when you didn't mean to.

DIPLOMACY ZINE POLL '87

Well, it's here again, the biggest poll of the year, late but what the hell. John Piggott has announced the 1987 Zine Poll and asks you to list your votes for all the eligible zines you see. There should be a voting form enclosed with this issue of Dib, but if not, the rules are:-

1. Eligibility: Any zine that has published at least two seasons in a game of Diplomacy (or a recognisable Diplomacy variant) since August 1st 1986 - plus a few named zines chosen by John to be included. These are: Diversions, Greatest Hits, Hopscotch, Rhianna Games Review, Rostherne Games Review, Take That You Fiend, Globetrotter, The Numbers Game (?), and Mission From God.
2. Votes: Must be marked 10 (high) to 1 (low) for every eligible zine you see, and sent to John Piggott, 'Bosworth House', Central Wall Road, Canvey Island, SS8 9PJ.
3. Deadline: for all votes sent in is FRIDAY, 16TH OCTOBER 1987.

And if it's easier, subscribers writing to me with orders, letters, etc, can send their votes in to me (sealed in an envelope of course), and I'll send them on to John. If you DO wish to send your votes in this way, please make it no later than 12th October (preferably well before).

I shall be voting (as I've done every year) and would urge every Dib subscriber to do the same (giving Dib a high mark of course). I know some people don't like the idea of polls of this sort, and decry the supposed uselessness of such events - saying things like 'zines winning at the expense of others' and suchlike. I don't see it that way. The poll started early on in the history of our 'Diplomacy' hobby, and I've always seen it as one of the few events that help bind our hobby together. I hold no truck with those who say we've outgrown such things, who are willing to merely sit back and watch the hobby splinter without making any constructive contribution whatsoever. We may have a bigger hobby now, but why should that mean the Soccer Leaguers and fairy gamers always get their own way? Diplomacy lovers... vote NOW and let 'em know we're still a force to be reckoned with!

My predictions for the top 5 this year? - Dolchstoss, Mad Policy, Thing, Vienna (by sheer weight of block votes), and Zeeby. Hopefully Dib will be in with the other five, as it was last year. Though I'll be satisfied to stay in the top twenty.

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EN GARDE AUGUST 1601 - CONFUSION

First of all, will you all please note my new term address above and to send all further orders to this address.

IN THE GRAVEL PIT

Having been held to a draw last month, the General had great expectations for this month as he had finally lured the Dutch army from its fortifications and onto the field of battle.

The two Great masses of men face each other across a broad valley floor, the infantry forming neat blocks ten deep at the front while the cavalry remain at the rear ready to prance from the flanks.

Drums beat, feet marched, cannons fired and men die. Huge gaps appeared in the blocks and yet determinately they continue the slow march towards each other.

The First brigade was in the centre, opposing the Dutch pikemen. The cannons and muskets have greatly reduced the Dutch numbers whilst our own men have escape relatively intact their cannons having concentrated on our left flank where the frontier brigades were. Major Charles Valliant (RM) was seen (MID 3) routing the weaken Dutch pikemen for which he was promoted to Bvt LT COL. Major De Jawbreaker (PM) was feeling unwell as he wasn't his usual quick and alert self thus he didn't realise the breach made by the Marines until it was too late, the Dutch General have send in his Guards regiment to plug the gap.

Bvt LT COL Gaspin Forebreath (27th) was on the right flank with the Third brigade. He had an easy time for the only thing that attacked him was a butterfly.

The frontier regiments had been hit hard, after being blasted by the Dutch guns they were attacked by two regiments of musketeers who had simply stood on a rise and pour their fire amid the tightly packed ranks. The cavalry was duly dispatch to stop this threat. Bvt Major Tastanute (QOC) was seen (MID 2) taking a gold watch from the body of an enemy officier which was later value at 550cr. Major Perce-Beumbed was at the fore front as usual and he paid the price for his recklessness (RIP) as the Dutch musketeers switched their fire onto the oncoming cavalry.

The battle however could produce no winner and both sides withdrew to lick their wounds.

Next month: The beginning of a new campaign season, all socialites may return to Paris. The frontier regiments will be on defence.

IN THE GREASE PIT

WEEK 1: New comer Fickas da Shortplanks tried to impress Linda with an armful of presents but being a girl with her own means she was not amused and slam her door in his face. Another new comer (Jon Moss) have had a long and thirsty journey so he went straight to Blue Gables, sign up as a member and spend the rest of the week washing the dust from his throat. Our third new comer Gilbert De Bean Louques is seen showing a great big sabre to his privates at the CPC. L'Ancelet Fallen is in Red Phillips drinking heavily to numo the pains.

WEEK 2: Da Shortplanks is seen staggering back to his rooms with a load of boxes arter a shopping expedition. (Jon Moss) went to see the influential May Strome and was surprise to be invited in to taste her home made wine. Gilbert spend the week in the F&P getting to know the wine stock. L'Ancelet Fallen stayed in bed to recover his hangover.

WEEK 3: Da Shortplanks having seen the better part of Paris decide to see the rougher parts where he manage to get lost, luckily he found a pleasant little tavern where he had a jolly time with the serving wenches. (Jon Moss) is still at May Strome's having gotten drunk from her wines and she being a considerate girl had let him stay to recover is strength. Gilbert staggers out of the F&P bar and went straight to the Pub across ine road. L'Ancelet Fallen manage to crawl out of bed and with the aid of a heavy walking stick limp to Rubv's door. She took one look at the wretched figure on her door-step screams and slams the door. After a couple of feeble knocks he limps slowly back to his rooms.

WEEK 4: Da Shortplanks spends the week waving a rapier about. (Jon Moss) also waves a rapier about to impress his fellows at the KM. Gilbert turns up at May's door clutching a bunch of flowers seeing this she empty the contents of her chamber pot all over him - for not bringing her proper presents. L'Ancelet Fallen turns up once more on Ruby's door-step but this time she won't even open the door.

STATUS TABLE

CHARACTER	SL	SE	REGT	MIST	MA	CR	CLUB	PLAYER
?	8	14	CAPT(KM)	May	3	109	BG	J.Moss
Jean Gardian	7	-	Bvt Maj(DG)	Ethel	5	1108	BG	B.Moore
Piers Tastanute	6	F	Bvt MAJ(QOC)	Wanda	4	809	HG	S.Craddock
Gilbert De Bean-Louques	5	11	CAPT(CPC)	Kath	3	498	F&P	G.Spall
Charles Valliant	5	F	Bvt LT COL(RH)	-	2	1422	F&P	U.Jiretorn
L'Ancelet Fallan	5	15	MAJ(13th)	-	5	574	RP	C.Ozog
Gaspin Forebreath	3	F	BvtLCol(27th)	Ruby	7	1651	RP	C.Sandow
Aramis De Jawbreaker	3	F	Bvt-MAJ(PM)	-	6	704	RP	S.Tweedy
Fickas da Shortplanks	2	2	CAPT(69th)	-	5	312	-	G.North

MISTRESS TABLE

SL	FRIEND
11 Bf	
10 B	
10 F	Piers Tastanute
9 F	(Jon Moss)
8 W	
8	
7 Wf	Gaspin Forebreath
7 W	Jean Gardian
5 Wf	

REGIMENTAL TABLES

RANK	RFG	KM	CG	DG	QOC	CPC	ABC	GDM	PLD	RM	PM	13	53	27	4	89	GAS
COL	2	-	4	5	4	-	6	5	1	4	-	1	6	5	-	3	-
LT.COL	2	4	-	-	2	4	1	4	5	(CV)	5	6	5	(GF)	4	-	5
MAJ 1	3	5	3	5	3	6	6	3	3	4	6	LAF	3	GF	-	6	-
MAJ 2	-	-	4	(JG)(IPT)	1	2	1	GPB	CV	(ADJ)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CAPT A	5	5	2	4	4	5	2	3	6	2	ADJ	4	2	3	2	2	-
CAPT B	4	1	6	3	1	2	3	3	6	3	1	6	4	3	5	2	-
CAPT C	1	2	5	6	3	2	2	5	4	-	6	6	2	2	5	3	-
CAPT D	3	5	3	2	3	4	2	2	4	-	4	3	6	1	-	4	-
CAPT E	-	3	-	3	PT	2	3	4	-	-	2	4	-	-	-	FDP	-
CAPT F	-	JH	-	JG	-	GBL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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MILT APPLICATIONS

Charles Valliant - Div Adj.
Piers Tastanute - Brigade Maj

New characters:

George North - Fickas da Shortplanks SL2 allow90 Bas of v.wealthy mercant. str-fair con-good exp-good.
Graham Spall - Gilbert DE Bean Louques SL5 allow125 2nd of v.wealthy gent. str-good con-avg exp-avg.
Jon Moss - ? SL8 allow50 2nd of w-t-d Marquis. str-good con-fair exp-v. good

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- CHRIS SANDOW : 2 CORONATION AVE., KEYNSHAM, BRISTOL. BS18 2PT
- JON MOSS : SOUTH LODGE, SINGLETON PARK, KENDAL, CUMBRIA. LA9 6PE
- GRAHAM SPALL : 42 KINGSTON ROAD, IPSWICH: IP1 2AN
- STUART TWEEDY : AS TOM. (SEE INSIDE FRONT COVER)

This has been an extremely rushed and noisy En Garde report. No matter how fast you run! No matter where you hide! There's always one near you!

Brain Moore : 18 Leicester Ave., Horwich, Bolton. BL6 5QY

JG Apply for Aide to General, Brigade major.

MADAM MORRISES' MANORCON MAUNDERINGS

Those of you without children just won't believe the amount of organisation it takes to spend 24 hours away from home. Military manoeuvres have nothing to compare. By the time we'd loaded the car with all the kids requirements there was barely room left in the boot for our stuff. All the same, the brood were safely in the hands of "The Dragon" (mother-in-law) by nine thirty on Saturday morning and we were on our way to Manorcon '87.

Luckily most of the traffic was heading in the opposite direction and apart from the crush in the service station and getting caught in a mobile traffic jam our trip was uneventful. Though we did wonder at all the military convoys we passed, three to be precise and thoughts of Commie invasion plots rose when our lunch at Evesham was interrupted by seven Hercules transporters flying low overhead. Still the newsreaders didn't mention it so I guess we were safe from reds under the beds after all.

We arrived to find Danny Collman waiting for us. Knocked out of the Dip Tournament, again Danny! All three of us decided to troop off to our room to view the facilities and freshen up. Now I know school teachers have a brand of logic all their own but I'm still mystified why Danny insisted that we press the down elevator button when we wanted to go up. Yes I know the lift was above us and had to come down but.....? One small word of warning to future Manorcon attendees. The lifts at High Hall are Maneaters! If you're not quick they'll take a chunk outa your flesh faster than a Kinzett can rustle up a game of Brittania, and that's going some! Still, the room we had was very pleasant with soap, towel and a pack of tea/coffee provided free. (Though I noticed the towels were reclaimed pretty sharpish on Sunday. Isn't trust a wunnerful thing?)

We spent a pleasant afternoon and evening at the Collman household where Kath's attempt to nobble her rivals by putting arsenic in the chicken failed miserably, as did our attempt to get Danny drunk on Le Piat D'Or. By eight we were back at the con, refreshed and somewhat revived. We'd arranged with Koala Kinzett for him to teach Kris and myself to play Brittania but he was still sorting out the tournament scores when we arrived. The interval was pleasantly filled by a trip to the bar highlighted by Danny fuming quietly over the game of Pit in progress there. (New readers see the report on Midcon '85) Kath too proved that exploding is a family trait when RJW tried to talk Danny into taking on another hobby commitment. I don't think our Kath was too pleased and I'd sure have loved to be a fly on the wall when she got Danny home!

Eventually Nick emerged and we trooped off to find a nice quiet corner to play Brittania. The TV lounge seemed ideal. It was quiet, not too far from the bar and almost deserted. Kath and Danny took over the roles of players four and five as the two who were previously booked had given up waiting and got involved in something else. We should have known better than to let Danny play. We'd learnt the year before that Danny has a paranoid fear of games utilising dice and sure enough he found Brittania no more to his liking than he had R.R. the year before. Still at least he could watch the telly from where he was sitting! (By-the-by Danny, don't you think it's about time you gave Kath a game of R.R.? After all you did buy her a set for her birthday and it hasn't yet left it's box she tells me. Stir with a large wooden spoon.)

Nick chose to play the Roman / Romano-British faction as he had to leave the game early to take part in a Dip variant. (The name escapes me but it's the one where you have 34 players!). Apparently whoever gets that faction has a quiet phase in the mid-game, just long enough for him to pop off and get eliminated from the variant as^h had been threatened with a 33-way alliance. Later we were joined by Ian Wilson and Simon Jones who acted as observers and filled in the bits of the rules Nick had "forgotten" to tell us. Funny how everytime Ian did that Nicks' game position suffered! Later on Simon took over Nicks' place as he lasted longer than expected in the variant. He did fall victim to the mass but someone took pity on him and gave him a second chance. Rumour has it he was still playing at 2 a.m.

Around 11 or so our quiet nook turned out to be the daftest place in the entire hall to try and play a game. How were we supposed to know it was "Monty Python" night? We were invaded by around fifty or so Python fans who turned the telly up full blast and who's laughter nearly took the roof off. Not the best conditions in which to learn a new game. I wouldn't have minded so much only my back was to the screen so I couldn't see what the hell it was they were all laughing at. Infuriating! By the time the proggie had finished the strain was beginning to show and our journey was catching up on us. We struggled on until nearly one and then gave up around half way through the game. Many thanks to Mick, Simon and Ian for their patience. I think we grasped enough of the game to be able to sort out the rest from the rules.

We groggily emerged for breakfast at eight, followed by a pleasant stroll around the grounds. If you get a chance to explore the campus next year do so, parts of it really are lovely. The morning was blissfully spent playing a couple of games of R.R. in the very pleasant company of David Watts. The first on a map of Cumbria and the second on a map of India. Both maps were new and undergoing playtesting at the con. Cumbria with all its lakes and mountains was fiendish and challenging and the result was very close. India was less well balanced and was at a serious disadvantage by starting too far south. Still I liked it enough to order it in advance of production along with a couple of others. Thanks for the speedy dispatch David, they were with me by Thursday. Thanks also to our opponents. I hope they realised that Kris and my threats of imminent divorce and withdrawal of conjugal rights when we blocked each other were just jest. (At least I hope they were!)

Lunch was a disaster, mind you we got there just as they were closing and so had to take what was left. A pity as I'd have liked to sample whatever it was rum Uni served up as vegetarian meal after RJW had gone to all the trouble of asking them to provide it. I'd also have liked to play another game of "RR but The Boss" said we didn't have time. We were in such a rush to leave I didn't have time to say goodbye to most people, and I never did have the time to discuss current games with my opponents. Still it was nice to see Danny doing better on Sunday than he did in the team tournament. I gather he took part in draw.

We may have had less than 24 hours at the con but they were very busy, happy ones and we both look forward to going again next year if at all possible. It was great to renew friendships and make some new ones too. I hope next year you'll come over and introduce yourself to us. I promise you we're quite harmless really. I think the crowning glory of my weekend was arriving back in Plymouth to find a very haggard "Dragon". She'd not slept a wink the night before as our two-year old refused to sleep in his bed. She'd had to spend the night cuddling him on the sofa. Oh dear, what a pity, never mind! (Tee Hee.)

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'COBOLT' (1987BX) GM Tom Tweedy Autumn 1903 [13]

AUSTRIA (Nick Simpkins): F(Alb) S ITALIAN F(ION)-Gre; A(Vie) S A(Bud); A(Bud) S A(Vie)
 ENGLAND (Tim Lomas): F(NWG) S F(Nor); F(Nor) stands; [[A(Den)-Kie]] ((FAILS)); F(NTH)-Hol; F(Lon)-NTH
 FRANCE (Michèle Morris): F(Bel) S English F(NTH)-Hol; A(Pic) S F(Bel); [[A(Bur)-Ruh]] ((FAILS)); [[A(Par)-Bur]] ((FAILS)); A(Mar)-Pie
 GERMANY (Stuart Tweedy): A(Ber)-Mun; A(Sil) Stds; F(Hol)-HEL; [[A(Ruh)-Hol]] ((FAILS)); [[A(Kie)-Den]] ((FAILS))
 ITALY (John Cavanagh): F(AEG)-Gre; F(ION) S F(AEG)-Gre; [[A(Tri)-Ser]] ((FAILS)); [[A(Ven)-Tri]] ((FAILS)); F(ADS) S A(Ven)-Tri
 RUSSIA (Simon Jones): NMR! Has: A(Lvn); A(Fin); F(Swe); A(Gal); F(BLA); A(Ser)
 TURKEY (St James): NMR! Has: *[[A(Gre)]] ((DISLODGED)); A(Smy); F(Con); A(Rum)

RETREATS: TURKISH A(Gre) dies

WINTER 1903 ADJUSTMENTS:

AUS: Bud, Vie, (Gre) = 2 Disbands F(Alb)
 ENG: Lon, Lpl, Ed1, Nor, Den + Hol = 6 Builds: A(Lon)
 FRA: Par, Bre, Mar, Por, Spa + Bel = 6 Builds: F(Bre)
 GER: Mun, Ber, Kie, (Hol), (Bel) = 3 Disbands A(Mun), GM Disbands F(HEL)
 ITA: Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun, Tri + Gre = 0 Builds: A(Rom)
 RUS: Mos, StP, War, Sev, Swe, Ser = 6 No Change
 TUR: Smy, Con, Ank, Bul, Rum = 5 NBO (2 SHORT)

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 * DEADLINE: Sunday 6th September 12 NOON *

'COBOLT' (1987BX) GM Tom Tweedy Spring 1904 [13]

AUSTRIA (Nick Simpkins): NMR! Has: A(Vie); A(Bud)
 ENGLAND (Tim Lomas): F(NWG)-BAR; F(Nor) stands; [[A(Den)-Kie]] ((FAILS)); F(Hol) S A(Den)-Kie; F(NTH) C A(Lon)-Den; [[A(Lon)-Den]] ((FAILS))
 FRANCE (Michele Morris): A(Pie)-Tyr; F(Bel)-ENC; F(Bre) S F(Bel)-ENC; A(Pic) S A(Bur)-Bel; A(Bur)-Bel; A(Par)-Bur
 GERMANY (Stuart Tweedy): A(Sil)-Mun; [[A(Kie) S A(Sil)-Mun]] ((FAILS)); A(Ruh) S A(Kie)
 ITALY (John Cavanagh): A(Tri)-Alb; F(ION) S A(Tri)-Alb; A(Ven)-Tri; F(ADR) S A(Ven)-Tri; A(Rom)-Ven; [[F(Gre)-Bulsc]] ((FAILS))
 RUSSIA (Simon Jones): F(BLA)-Con; A(Ser) S Turkish F(Con)-Bul (sc); F(Swe) S A(Fin); A(Fin) S F(Swe); [[A(Gal)-Bud]] ((FAILS)); A(Lvn)-Pru
 TURKEY (St James): F Con-Bul (sc); A Rum S F Con-Bul (sc); A Smy hold

RETREATS: None

 * DEADLINE: Sunday 20th September 12 NOON *

COBOLT (1987BX) GM Tom Tweedy Autumn 1904 [13]

AUSTRIA (Anarchy): NMR11 Has: A(Vie); A(Bud)
 ENGLAND (Tim Lomas): A(Den)-Kie; F(Hol) S A(Den)-Kie; A(Lon)-Den; F(NTH) C
 A(Lon)-Den; F(Nor) stands; F(BAR) S F(Nor)
 FRANCE (Michele Morris): [[A(Bel)-Ruh]] ((FAILS)); F(Bre)-MAO; F(ENC) S
 A(Pic)-Bel; [[A(Pic)-Bel]] ((FAILS)); A(Tyr) S A(Bur)-Mun;
 A(Bur)-Mun
 GERMANY (Stuart Tweedy): NMR1 Has: *[[A(Mun)]] ((DISLODGED)); *[[A(Kie)]]
 ((DISLODGED)); A(Ruh)
 ITALY (John Cavanagh): NMR1 Has: A(Alb); F(ION); A(Tri); F(ADS); A(Ven);
 F(Gre)
 RUSSIA (Simon Jones): F(Swe) S A(Fin); A(Fin) S F(Swe); A(Prü)-Ber; A(Gal) S
 Austrian A(Vie); F(Con)-AEG; A(Ser) hold
 TURKEY (St James): A Rum S Russian A Ser; F Bul-sc S Russian F Con - AEG; A
 Smy - Syr

RETREATS: GERMAN A(Mun) & A(Kie) die

WINTER 1904 ADJUSTMENTS:

AUS: Bud, Vie = 2 No Change
 ENG: Lon, Lpl, Edi, Nor, Den, Hol + Kie = 7 Builds: A(Lon)
 FRA: Par, Bre, Mar, Por, Spa, Bel + Mun = 7 Builds: F(Mar)
 GER: (Mun), (Ber), (Kie) = 0 Disbands A(Ruh) OUT
 ITA: Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun, Tri, Gre = 6 No Change
 RUS: Mos, StP, War, Sev, Swe, Ser + Ber = 7 Builds: A(War)
 TUR: Smy, Con, Ank, Bul, Rum = 5 Builds: F(Smy), F(Con)

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* DEADLINE: Sunday 4th October 12 NOON *

GM -> ALL: REMEMBER the deadline falls on the day when this board moves to: 01
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JADE (1987BH) GM Tom Tweedy Autumn 1906 [12]

GM MAKES HEAP GREAT COCK-UP - SO HAS TO READJUDICATE
 (GOD knows wot happend....)

ENGLAND (LocoMan): F(Kie)-Bal; A(Den)-Kie; A(Lon)-Den; F(NTS) C A(Lon)-Den;
 A(Fin)-StP; A(Nor) S A(Fin)-StP; F(GB) S A(Fin)-StP
 FRANCE (Brangdon): [[A(Hol) S ENGLISH F(Kie)]] ((FAILS)); [[A(Bur)-Mun]]
 ((FAILS)); A(Ruh) S A(Bur)-Mun; [[A(Tus)-Ven]] ((FAILS));
 [[A(Pie) S A(Tus)-Ven]] ((SUPPORT CUT)); F(MAO) S F(WME);
 F(WME) S ITALIAN F(Rom)-TYS; F(GOL) S ITALIAN F(Rom)-TYS
 ITALY (Andrew Newton): F(Rom)-TYS
 RUSSIA (Argon): A(Sil)-Ber; A(Prü) S A(Sil)-Ber; A(Lvn) S F(StP-sc);
 *[[F(StP-sc) S A(Lvn)]] ((DISLODGED)); [[A(Mun) S A(Boh)]]
 ((SUPPORT CUT)); [[A(Tyr)-Pie]] ((FAILS)); A(Boh) S A(Mun);
 F(BLA) stands
 TURKEY (Tiger Tiger): F(Tun)stands; *[[F(TYS)-Rom]] ((DISLODGED)); F(Nap) S
 F(TYS)-Rom; F(Alb)-ADS; F(AEG)-ION; A(Con)-Bul; A(Bul)-Gre;
 A(Ser)-Alb; A(Tri)stands; [[A(Ven)-Tus]] ((FAILS))

RETREATS: RUSSIAN F(StP-sc) dies; TURKISH F(TYS) dies

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WINTER 1906 ADJUSTMENTS:

ENG: Lon, Edi, Nor, Swe, Den, Lpl, Kie, + StP = 8 Builds: A(Lon)

FRA: Par, Bre, Mar, Spa, Por, Bel, Hol, (Mun) = 7 Disbands A(Tus)

ITA: Rom = 1 No Change

RUS: (StP), Mos, War, Sev, Bud, Rum, Vie, Ber + Mun = 8 Builds: A(Mos)

TUR: Smy, Ank, Con, Bul, Gre, Ser, Tri, Tun, Ven, Nap = 10 Builds: A(Con)

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* DEADLINE: Sunday 16th August 12:00NOON *

'JADE' 1987BH) GM Tom Tweedy: Spring 1907 [12]

ENGLAND (LocoMan): A(Nor)-Fin; [[A(StP)-Mos]] ((FAILS)); A(Den)-Liv; F(BAL) C
 A(Den)-Liv; F(GOB) S A(Den)-Liv; A(Lon)-Den; F(NTH) C A(Lon)-
 Den; A(Kie) S A(Ruh)-Mun

FRANCE (Brangdon): [[A(Hol)-Ruh]] ((FAILS)); [[A(Ruh)-Mun]] ((FAILS));
 A(Bur) S (Ruh)-Mun; [[A(Pie)-Tyr]] ((FAILS)); [[F(MAO)-Naf]]
 ((FAILS)); [[F(WME)-Tun]] ((FAILS)); F(GOL) S ITALIAN F(TYS)

ITALY (Andrew Newton): [[F(TYS) S FRENCH F(WME)-Tun]] ((FAILS))

RUSSIA (Argon): [[A(MOS) S A(LIV)]] ((FAILS)); F(BLA) STANDS; *[[A(LIV) S
 A(MOS)]] ((DISLODGED)); A(BOH) S A(MUN); [[A(MUN) S A(BER)]]
 ((FAILS)); A(BER) S A(MUN); A(PRU) S A(BER); [[A(TYR)-PIE]]
 ((FAILS))

TURKEY (Tiger Tiger): [[F(Tun)-Naf]] ((FAILS)); [[F(ION)-TYS]] ((FAILS));
 F(Nap) S A(Ven)-Rom; F(ADR) S A(Tri)-Ven; A(Ven)-Rom; A(Tri)-
 Ven; A(Alb)-Tri; A(Gre)-Alb; A(Bul)-Gre; A(Con)-Bul

RETREATS: RUSSIAN A(Lvn)-War

* DEADLINE: Sunday 6th September 12 NOON *

'JADE' (1987BH) GM Tom Tweedy: Autumn 1907 [12]

ENGLAND (LocoMan): A(den)-Kie; A(Kie)-Ber; F(Bal) S A(Kie)-Ber; F(NSea)
 stands; F(GOB) S Liv; A(Liv)-Mos; A(StP) S A(Liv) - Mos;
 A(Fin) S A(Stp)

FRANCE (Brangdon): F(MAO)-Naf; F(WME) S ITALIAN F(TYS)-Tun; [[F(GOL)-TYS]]
 ((FAILS)); [[A(Pie)-Tyr]] ((FAILS)); A(Ruh)-Mun; A(Bur) S
 A(Ruh)-Mun; A(Hol)-Ruh

ITALY (Andrew Newton): F(TYS)-Tun

RUSSIA (Argon): NMR! Has A(War); *[[A(Mos)]] ((DISLODGED)); F(BLA); A(Boh);
 *[[A(Mun)]] ((DISLODGED)); *[[A(Ber)]] ((DISLODGED)); A(Pru);
 A(Tyr)

TURKEY (Tiger Tiger): A (Ven)-Tus; A(Tri)-Ven; A(Rom) S A(Ven)-Tus;
 A(Alb)-Tri; A(Bul)-Gre; A(Gre)-Alb; F(Nap)-TYS; *[[F(Tun)
 S F(Nap)-TYS]] ((DISLODGED)); F(ION) S F(Nap)-TYS; F(ADR) S
 A(Tri)-Ven

RETREATS: RUSSIAN A(Mos), A(Mun) & A(Ber) die; TURKISH F(Tun) dies

WINTER 1907 ADJUSTMENTS:

ENG: Lon, Edi, Nor, Swe, Den, Lpl, Kie, StP + Ber, Mos = 10 Builds: A(Lon), A(Edi)

FRA: Par, Bre, Mar, Spa, Por, Bel, Hol + Mun = 8 Builds: F(Mar)

ITA: (Rom) + Tun = 1 No Change

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RUS: (Mos), War, Sev, Bud, Rum, Vie, (Ber), (Mun) = 5 No Change
 TUR: Smy, Ank, Con, Bul, Gre, Ser, Tri, (Tun), Ven, Nap, + Rom = 10 Builds: F(Smy).

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* DEADLINE: Sunday 20th September 12 NOON *

'JADE' (1987BH) GM Tom Tweedy Spring 1908 [12]

ENGLAND (LocoMan): A(Mos)-Ukr; A(StP)-Mos; A(Fin)->StP; F(Liv) S A (Kie)-Pru;
 A(Ber) S A (Kie)-Pru; F(Bal) C A (kie)-Pru; A(Kie) - Pru;
 A(Lon)-Den; F(NSea) C A(Lon)-Den; A(Edi) - Yor:

FRANCE (Brangdon): F(GOL) S ITALIAN F(Tun)-TYS; F(NAF)-Tun; F(WME) S F(NAF)-
 Tun; F(Mar)-Pie; A(Pie)-Tyr; A(Mun) S A(Pie)-Tyr; A(Ruh) S
 A(Mun); A(Bur) S A(Mun).

ITALY (Andrew Newton): F(Tun)-TYS.

RUSSIA (Anarchy): NMR! Has: A(War); F(BLA); A(Boh); *[[A(Pru)]] ((DISLOD-
 GED)); *[[A(Tyr)]] ((DISLODGED));

TURKEY (Tiger Tiger): NMR! Has: A(Tus); A(Ven); A(Rom); A(Tri); A(Gre);
 A(Alb); *[[F(TYS)]] ((DISLODGED)); F(ION); F(ADS); F(Smy)

RETREATS: RUSSIAN A(Pru) & A(Tyr) die; TURKISH F(TYS) dies

* DEADLINE: Sunday 4th October 12 NOON *

'ELECTRA' (1987BE) GM Tom Tweedy Spring 1906 [11]

AUSTRIA (Anarchy): Has: *[[A(Tri)]] ((DISLODGED))

ENGLAND (Kris Morris): F(Lon)-Wal; F(SKA)-NTH; F(Swe)-GOB; F(BAR)-NWG;
 F(Den)-holds; F(BAL)-holds; A(StP)-holds

FRANCE (Stuart Tweedy): F(Bre)-ECH; F(MAO)-IRI; A(Pic) Stds; F(Tun)-ION;
 F(Nap) S F(Tun)-ION; F(TYS) S F(Tun)-ION; A(Rom)-Apu; A(Tyr) S
 AUSTRIAN A(Tri); A(Ven) S AUSTRIAN A(Tri)

GERMANY (Simon Jones): NMR! Has: F(Ber); A(Mun); A(Boh); A(Bel); A(Hol);
 A(Kie)

TURKEY (John Cavanagh): A(Ukr)-War; A(Mos) S A(Ukr)-War; F(Smy)-EMS;
 F(BLA)-Con; A(Con)-Bul; A(Ser)-Tri; A(Vie) S A(Ser)-Tri;
 A(Bud) S A(Ser)-Tri; F(Alb) S A(Ser)-Tri; *[[A(AEG)-ION]]
 ((FAILS)); *[[F(Gre)stands]] ((NO SUCH UNIT)); A(Gre) stands
 unordered

RETREATS: AUSTRIAN A(Tri) dies

* DEADLINE: Sunday 6th September 12 NOON *

'ELECTRA' (1987BE) GM Tom Tweedy Autumn 1906 [11]

ENGLAND (Kris Morris): F(NWG)-NAO; F(Wal)-Lpl; F(NTH)-Lon; F(Den)-HEL;
 F(BAL)-Den; F(GOB)-BAL; A(StP)-holds

FRANCE (Stuart Tweedy): NMR! Has: F(ENC); F(IRI); A(Pic); F(ION); F(Nap);
 F(TYS); A(Apu); A(Tyr); A(Ven)

GERMANY (Simon Jones): A(Bel)-Bur; A(Hol)-Bel; A(Kie)-Mun; A(Mun)-Ber;
 F(Ber)-Kie; *[[A(Boh)-Vie]] ((FAILS))

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TURKEY (John Cavanagh): A(Gre)-Ser; F(AEG)-Gre; F(Alb) S F(AEG)-Gre;
 F(Con)-AEG; F(EMS) S F(Con)-AEG; A(Bul)-Rum; A(Mos) S A(War);
 A(War) S A(Mos); A(Bud) S A(Tri); A(Tri) S A(Vie); [[A(Vie) S
 A(Tri)]] ((FAILS))

RETREATS: None

WINTER 1906 ADJUSTMENTS:

AUS: (Tri) = 0 OUT
 ENG: Lon, Lpl, Edi, Nor, Swe, Den, StP = 7 No Change
 FRA: Bre, Par, Mar, Por, Spa, Tun, Ven, Nap, Rom = 9 No Change
 GER: Mun, Kie, Ber, Hol, Bel, (War) = 5 Disbands A(Boh)
 TUR: Smy, Ank, Con, Sev, Gre, Bul, Rum, Ser,
 Bud, Mos, Vie + War, Tri = 13 Builds: A(Con), F(Smy)
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 * DEADLINE: Sunday 4th October 12 NOON *

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'Anise' (1986GP) Autumn 1903 [32]

AUSTRIA (Victor Hall) [[F(Alb)-Vie]] ((IMPOSSIBLE)), [[A(Vie)-Tyr]] ((NO SUCH UNIT)), A(Bud)-Rum, A(Gal)-Ukr, [[A(Ser) S F(Alb)-Vie]] ((IMPOSSIBLE)), A(Tri) stands unordered
 ENGLAND (Alan Frost) F(IRI)-Lpl, F(Nor)-NWG, F(NTH) S F(Bel), F(Bel) stands, A(Den) stands
 FRANCE (Steve Kirk) F(Bre)-ENC, A(Pic) S A(Bur)-Bel, F(NAO) C A(Gas)-Lpl, F(MAO) C A(Gas)-Lpl, A(Gas)-Lpl, A(Bur)-Bel
 GERMANY (Anarchy) NMR II Has: A(Mun), A(Hol), F(BAL), A(Kie)
 ITALY (Andrew Smith) F(ADS)-ION, F(ION)-TYS, A(Ven)-Tri, A(Tun) stands
 RUSSIA (Nick Hoyle) F(Swe) S ENGLISH A(Den), A(Sil)-Ber, A(Mos) S F(Sev), A(Ukr)-War, *F(Sev) S AUSTRIAN A(Gal)-Rum
 TURKEY (Mike Sykes-Gelder) A(Rum)-Sev, F(BLA) S A(Rum)-Sev, A(Arm) S A(Rum)-Sev, A(Gre) stands, F(AEG)-ION

Retreats: RUSSIAN F(Sev) dies

Winter 1903 Adjustments:

AUS: Tri, Bud, Vie, Ser, Rum = 5 No Change
 ENG: Lon, Lpl, Edi, Nor, Den + Bel = 6 Builds: A(Edi)
 FRA: Bre, Par, Mar, Por, (Bel), Spa = 5 Disbands A(Gas)
 GER: Mun, Kie, (Ber), Hol = 3 GM disbands F(BAL)
 ITA: Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun = 4 No Change
 RUS: StP, Mos, War, (Sev), Swe + Ber = 5 No builds ordered for StP (1 SHORT)
 TUR: Con, Ank, Smy, Gre, Bul + Sev = 6 Builds: F(Smy)
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PRESS:

England - Italy: Get well soon, but your enforced rest ought to give you time to write.

France - England: If you think that I'll give you a chance to stab Russia you must be crazy.

Turkey - LOOTIN' AIRPORT: Please find enclosed cheque as per your instructions. ((Ta very much for your cheque for £10,0000000.01 (or thereabouts) it just about covers what I need. However, although the bank will honour the cheque I feel I must point out to you that a representative might

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call on you for an explanation of changing your mark (signature) to an 'X'. See to it I'm not bothered with the small change (.01) in future though, will you?))

France - Germany: It would have been nice to have heard from you.

Turkey - Austria: What was yours was mine and is now yours again, OK?

Austria - Turkey: Congratulations on sinking Sevies' ships.

Turkey - Italy: You losta da pen?

Austria - Italy: Hinder me no more little gnat.

'Belladonna' (1987BK)

Spring 1903

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AUSTRIA (John Colledge) A(Ven)-Tri, A(Bud)-Tri, A(Boh)-Tyr, A(Vie) S A(Boh)-Tyr, A(Bul)stands, F(Gre) S A(Bul), F(Tri)-Alb
 ENGLAND (Ralph Baker) F(NTH)-Den, F(SKA) S F(NTH)-Den, F(NWG)-NTH, A(Bel)stands
 FRANCE (Gary Lyon) A(Mar)-Pie, A(Par)-Bur, A(Bur)-Mun, F(ENC)-NTH, A(Ruh) S A(Bur)-Mun, A(Hol)-Kie
 GERMANY (Alan Powis) F(Den) S RUSSIAN F(Swe)-SKA, A(Mun) S A(Kie)-Ruh, A(Kie)-Ruh, A(Ber)-Kie
 ITALY (Charles Smedley) *A(Tyr)-Ven, F(ION)-Nap, F(EMS)-Smy
 RUSSIA (Colin Pickard) A(War)-Sil, A(Sev)-Ukr, A(Rum)stands, F(Arm)-Sev, A(Mos)-StP, F(Swe)-SKA, A(Nor)-Swe
 TURKEY (Steve Kirk) F(BLA) S A(Con)-Bul, A(Ank)-Smy, A(Con)-Bul

Retreats: ITALIAN A(Tyr) dies

PRESS:

France (Govt) - France (phoney): What's Maxwell's Silver Hammer?

Austria - Europe: Going cheap, one hand of friendship, unused. One neighbour rushed off in the opposite direction when he was offered it, another collapsed in a heap and NMR'd, and the third doesn't appear to understand the concept of an-alliance.

The Pope - Austria: You've been excommunicated sunshine.

All - Italy: Next time use weedkiller on the gooségog bush. Either that, or pruning shears.

Italy - Austria: While you're in Venice why don't you drown yourself in the canals.

Austria - Turkey: Really Sevel You might have put a government health warning on that last letter of yours. Mind you the corners of the envelope were singed by the time it reached Dundee. I sould have realised.

Rome - Vie: I'm going to string you up with spaghetti.

Turkey - Austria: You are on your own now - how does it feel?

'Colombo' (1987??)

Spring 1901

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AUSTRIA (Mike Alloway) A(Bud)-Ser, A(Vie)-Tri, F(Tri)-Alb
 ENGLAND (Colin Bolton) F(Edi)-NWG, A(Lpl)-Yor, F(Lon)-NTH
 FRANCE (Peter Hauke) F(Bre)-MAO, A(Par)-Pic, A(Mar)-Spa
 GERMANY (Andrew J. Moss) F(Kie)-Hol, A(Ber)-Kie, A(Mun)-Ruh
 ITALY (Simon Craddock) A(Ven)-Tyr, A(Rom)-Apu, F(Nap)-ION
 RUSSIA (Mel Gamble) F(StP)-sc-GOB, A(War)-Gal, A(Mos)-Ukr, F(Sev)-BLA
 TURKEY (Simon Shimbart) A(Con)-Bul, A(Smy)-Con, F(Ank)-BLA

Retreats: None.

LUTON AIRPORT: Wot, no press?