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WELL, IT'S REALLY A BUMPER ISSUE THIS TIME ISN'T IT - AND JUST TO CELEBRATE THE COMMENCEMENT OF "C" GAME WITH THIS ISSUE. SO HEREWITH ARE THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE PLAYERS IN C GAME AND THE COUNTRIES ASSIGNED TO THEM:

- GB ADE BRINE,
40 CLOVELLY RD, ANFIELD,
LIVERPOOL 4
- G WILL HAVEN,
23 TECK STREET, LIVERPOOL L7 8RR
- R PAUL FROST,
ROOM 31, ROOTES HALL,
UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK,
COVENTRY CV4 7AL
- T DAVE STANFORD,
17 CURZON AVENUE,
MANCHESTER 14
- AH PHIL WATSON,
G/O STUDENTS' UNION,
UNIVERSITY OF KEELE,
KEELE, STAFFS
- I CHARLES BURTON,
DALTON HALL,
CONYNGHAM ROAD,
MANCHESTER M14 5RL
- FB KEN PAYNE,
53 KINGSHEATH AVENUE,
LIVERPOOL 14

AND I HOPE THAT YOU HAVE AS ENJOYABLE A GAME AS THOSE IN A AND B SEEM TO BE HAVING. PAUL FROST, FOR INSTANCE, BEFORE KNOWING THAT HE WOULD BE PERMITTED TO JOIN OUR EXPANDING RANKS, FRANKLY STATED "I AM UTTERLY BIGOTTED AND A COMPLETE BELIEVER IN THE DIVINE RIGHT OF KINGS, AND WOULD MAKE A FINE UP-STANDING TYRANT." WOULD-BE ALLIES TAKE NOTE! THE THREE FROM LIVERPOOL ALL KNOW EACH OTHER - THEY MAY EVEN BE FRIENDS. APPROPRIOS COMMENTS FROM PEOPLE IN THE PAST, CONCERNING THE ABSURDITY OF ALLOWING PLAYERS IN THE SAME TOWN TO BATTLE IN THE SAME GAME, I CUT THE ORIGINAL GROUP OF FOUR DOWN TO TWO, FIRMLY RESOLVED TO PLAY IN "C" MYSELF UNDER SOME PSEUDONYM OR OTHER. BUT I CHANGED MY MIND AND HOPE THAT NEITHER KEN PAYNE NOR ANYONE ELSE WILL OBJECT TO THE WAY THINGS ARE NOW. NOTE THAT BOTH ADRIAN BRINE AND WILL HAVEN ARE INCREDIBLY IMPATIENT. BOTH FOUND IT INCUMBENT UPON THEMSELVES TO WRITE TO ME DEMANDING TO KNOW WHY THEIR GAME

HADN'T STARTED YET, WHEN IT WAS DUE TO START IN THE SHORT FUTURE OF THE 25TH OF NOVEMBER. CHARLES BURTON IS LIVING IN AN OLD HAUNT OF MINE IN GRIMY OLD MANCHESTER, AND DAVE STANFORD HALLS FROM SAME. WE CAN EXPECT GREAT/NO COLLUSION BETWEEN THESE TWO BY VIRTUE OF THEIR MUTUAL KNOWLEDGE OF EACH OTHER'S UNDERHAND TRICKS.

I HOPE TO RECEIVE 10/- FROM EACH OF THEM IN THE NEAR FUTURE, MADE OUT TO DAVE BERG, THOUGH DAVE ROWE WILL BE THE GAMESMASTER. ANY INFORMATION/LETTERS/ARTICLES/COMPLAINTS NOT DIRECTLY TO DO WITH THE GAME, SHOULD BE SENT TO DR NOT DR, ALTHOUGH THE TWO OF US DO TALK TO EACH OTHER. I FEEL YOU SHOULD FEEL I AM BEING ESPECIALLY GENEROUS IN SENDING YOU WB 1-6 ABSOLUTELY FREE, BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT DOING ANYTHING VERY MUCH JUST SITTING IN A PILE THERE. I'VE ALSO ENCLOSED A SET OF RULES AND A G3 FORM WHICH IS TO BE USED FOR SENDING IN ORDERS. THE DUPLICATED "LOGICAL" MAP WILL HAVE TO DO, AS I HAVEN'T THE FACILITIES TO DO THEM PROPER. IN A WAY, THESE "LOGICAL" MAPS WHICH WE SHALL HEREAFTER REFER TO AS G4'S [IN DEFERENCE TO CHARLIE], SPOIL THE GAME AS THEY SIMPLIFY IT TO DEBIT OF SILLY MAP-READING MISTAKES. IT WAS ORIGINALLY MADE TO AID THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COMPUTER-PROGRAMMED PLAYER THAT WAS GOING TO ENTER THE RANKS OF ALBION'S SUBSCRIBERS AND THRASH THE LOT OF THEM. HOWEVER, AFTER SOME EFFORT, I FEEL THE TASK IS BEYOND ME. COLIN QUERRY. IF ANYONE CAN SPOT ANY ERRORS IN THE G4 MAP CAN THEY LET ME KNOW - "C" GAME WILL BE GRATEFUL - AND THE FIRST CORRECT ENTRY WILL BE OFFERED THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOOT OFF HIS MOUTH ON ANY SUBJECT IN WB.

IF ANYONE EVER NEEDS ANY MORE G3 FORMS, WRITE AND DEMAND. CHARLIE MEANT THEM TO ACT AS PARTIAL REPLACEMENT FOR MAPS, BUT HAS PRODUCED SOME MUCH MORE TECHNICALLY ADVANCED G3/A FORMS, WHICH IF HE RUNS OFF MORE OF, I'LL DISTRIBUTE. I'M SORRY THAT I'M ALWAYS IMPOSING ON YOUR GOOD NATURE CHARLIE!

GR // A KEIL I
 // A NO. I
 // F BEL I
 // F SWE I STAND UNORDERED
 // F HOL I
 // F IRISH SEA I
 // F LONDON I
 // F NORTH SEA I
 G // A BERLIN I STAND IN ANARCHY
 // A PRUSSIA I
 R // A MOSCOW TO UKRAINE I
 // A GALICIA TO VIENNA I
 // A BOHEMIA SUPS ABOVE I
 // F G OF B TO ST P ISI I
 T // A RUMANIA TO GALICIA I
 // A BULGARIA TO SERBIA I
 // A GREECE STANDS I
 // F BLACK SEA TO RUMANIA I
 // F SEVASTOPOL SUPS ABOVE I
 X // F AEGEAN SEA TO SMYRNA I
 AH X // A BUDAPEST TO VIENNA I
 // A TRIESTE I SUP BELOW I
 // A TYROLIA I
 // F ADRIATIC SEA TO VENICE I
 // A BURGUNDY TO PARIS I
 X // A RUHR TO BELGIUM I
 XR // A VENICE TO TYROL I
 X // A APULIA CONVOYED TO GREECE I
 // F IONIAN SEA CONVOYS ABOVE I
 X // F EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN-SMYRNA I
 // A PICARDY TO BREST I
 X // A SPAIN TO PARTS MARS I
 X // F ENG CHAN TO LONDON I

ITALIAN ARMY IN VENICE RETREATS TO TUSCONY IGM'S ARBITRATION)
 GR BASES: 3 IN GR, NOR, SWE, DEN, HOLL, BEL, KEIL.
 BUILDS: UNORDERED.
 G BASES: BERLIN.
 REMOVES: PRUSSIA.
 R BASES: ST P, WAR, MOS, VIENNA.
 T BASES: CON, ANK, SMY, SEV, BUL, GREECE, SERBIA, RUM.
 BUILDS: CON IAI, ANK IAI.
 AH BASES: BUD, TRIESTE, VENICE.
 REMOVES: VENICE FLEET IGM.
 I BASES: ROME, NAP, MUNZ, TUN, PAR.
 REMOVES: FLEET IN EAST MED IGM.
 F BASES: PORT, BREST, SPAIN, MARS.
 BUILDS: 1 UNIT - NOWHERE TO GO.

NON ATTRIBUTABLE QUOTE: "WHAT IS WRONG WITH THE WAY GR PLAYS THIS GAME IS THAT GR IS WINNING". /REF WR6

THE FREE RUSSIAN PRESS DEMANDS THE RETURN OF OUR ANCIENT LANDS IN MID-EUROPE AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEM BACK - PLEASE!

JUST WHO WAS JACK THE RIPPER ANYWAY

GR // A NORWAY TO DENMARK I
 // F HEL B TO KEIL I
 // F N SEA CONVOYS ARMY ABOVE I
 // F ENG CHAN TO BELGIUM I
 G // A MUNICH I
 // A RUHR I
 // A SILESIA I UNORDERED I
 // A SWEDEN I
 // F PICARDY I
 R // A WARSAW STANDS I
 X // A MOSCOW TO SEVASTOPOL I
 // F ST P ISI TO G OF B I
 T X // A CONST TO BULGARIA I
 // A SEVASTOPOL SUPS BELOW I
 X // F BLACK SEA TO RUMANIA I
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 // A RUMANIA STANDS I
 // A GALICIA SUPS ABOVE I
 // A SERBIA SUPS BELOW I
 // F BULGARIA STANDS I
 // A TUNIS STANDS I
 // A PIEDMONT TO MARSEILLES I
 // F G OF LYONS SUPS ABOVE I
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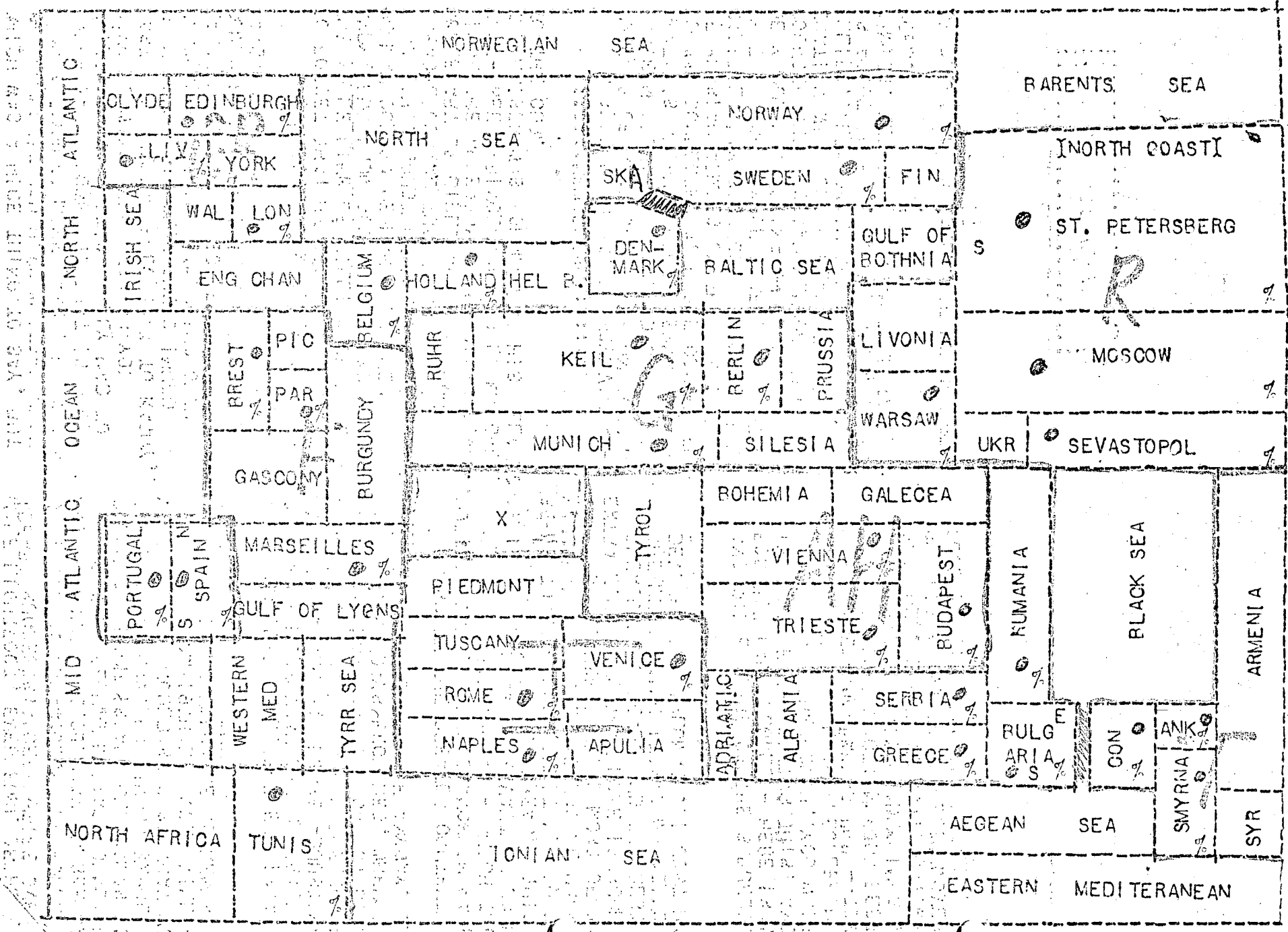
FRENCH FLEET MARSEILLES. RETREATS TO GASCONY IBY GMI

GR BASES: 3 IN GR, NOR, DEN, BEL, KEIL.
 BUILDS: EDIN IAI, LIV IAI, LON IFI.
 G BASES: BER, MUN, SWEDEN.
 REMOVES: SWE, PIC IGM'S CHOICEI.
 R BASES: ST P, MOSCOW, WARSAW.
 T BASES: CON, ANK, SMY, SEV.
 BUILDS: SMYRNA IFI.
 AH BASES: TRI, VIE, BUD, SER, RUM, GREECE, BUL, VENICE.
 BUILDS: BUD IAI, VIE IAI, TRI IFI.
 I BASES: ROME, NAP, TUIS, MARS.
 F BASES: PORT, SPAIN, BREST, PARIS.

"WOULD YOU PLEASE MAKE IT KNOWN TO ALL PLAYERS THAT TURKEY HAS DECLARED WAR ON AUSTRO-HUNGARY. THUS BREAKING ANY PACTS WHICH MAY HAVE HELD IN THE PAST. ANY HELP, AID WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

I THOUGHT THAT WAS WHAT DIPLOMACY WAS ALL ABOUT, BUT THEN I'M ONLY THE GM.

FROM GR: "IF MY ATTACK ON GERMANY SUCCEEDS I WILL POSSIBLY MAKE THE THEME OF THE NEXT WR 'IT'S ONLY A GAME'. IN FACT, COULD YOU DO THAT ANYWAY - I'VE GOT SORT OF FOND OF KATHY. FROM ROE EGAP TXEN OT NRUT



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WHICH WAS A NICE THING TO SAY, BUT WHY COULDN'T YOU HAVE WRITTEN JUST SUCH A 'THEME' MIKE. AND I KNOW YOUR EVER-READY ANSWER TO THAT IS 'NO TIME'. ANYWAY, IT'S REALLY BAD TO HAVE TO WATCH HELPLESS AS YOU BASTARDS OUT THERE DO THAT TO KATHY, WHEN ONLY LAST WEEK SHE OPINNED "ACTUALLY I THINK I'M DOING OKAY LARGELY DUE TO A GOOD FRIEND WHO COMES FROM OUR RIVAL COUNTY OF LANGASHIRE."

HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY APPEARS TO FORGET THAT HE DESCENDS NOT FROM THE NOBLE LINE OF WILLIUM OF NORMANDY, BUT FROM SOME MORE OBSCURE GERMAN COUNT. GERMANY RESIGNED THROUGH DISGUST OF THE MEAN AND TREACHEROUS DEPTHS TO WHICH THE NOBLE ART OF DIPLOMACY HAS SUNK SINCE THE APPEARANCE OF THIS UPSTART HALF-BREED PRINCE ACCROSS LA MANCHE. THE KAISER WAS ASHAMED OF HIS RELATIONSHIP TO THE CUR.

*****NEWSFLASH*****

CASLET DRACULA, TRANSYLVANIA - EMPEROR OF AUSTRO-HUNGARY ON TOUR OF EASTERN PROVINCES ASSURED OUR REPORTER THAT HIS ABSENCE FROM VIENNA WAS IN NO WAY CONNECTED WITH THE CONVERGENCE OF RUSSIAN ARMIES ON THE AUSTIAN CAPITAL. "WE WISH OUR PEOPLE TO KNOW THAT OUR CHIEFS OF STAFF ARE AT THIS VERY MOMENT WORKING ON PLANS TO COUNTER THE RUSSIAN MENACE IN CO-OPERATION WITH OUR GALLANT TURKISH ALLIES. ALREADY IN THE WEST, VENICE IS ABOUT TO FALL TO OUR VICTORIOUS ARMIES, LET THE RUSSIAN TZAR TAKE HEED.

OR SOMETHING STRONGER IF HE CAN GET IT

MIKE LIGHTFOOT, EVER FULL OF PERTINENT IDEAS, SUGGESTS A CEASE-FIRE OVER CHRISTMASS, ON ACCOUNT OF PEOPLE MOVING ROUND THE COUNTRY TO SEE OTHER PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT MOVING ROUND THE COUNTRY. WHICH IS ALL CHRISTMAS IS GOOD FOR ANYWAY. BARRING ADVERSE COMMENT THEN, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT WE ADJOURN FROM 19TH DECEMBER TILL 4TH JANUARY, LEAVING THE WEEKENDS INSIDE THE ADJOURNMENT.

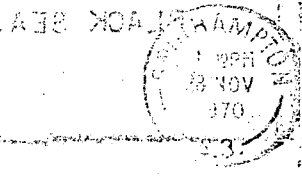
INCIDENTALLY, IF THERE IS A POSTAL STRIKE OF MORE THAN ONE DAY'S DURATION IN ANY TWO WEEKS, PLEASE ADJUST YOUR DEADLINE. ADD ONE DAY TO THE DEADLINE FOR EVERY DAY THAT YOU CANNOT DIPLOME BY POST, SUNDAYS EXCLUDED, WHEN THEY ALWAYS TAKE THE DAY OFF ANYWAY. OK.

DESPITE THE GREATER CONTENT, AND NOTWITHSTANDING THE CHANGE IN PAPER-SIZE TO A4 - WHICH THE MORE OBSERVANT OF US HAD NOTICED ALREADY, THIS WR SEEMS TO HAVE LESS IN IT NOT TO BORE YOU THAN IT USUALLY DOES. PERHAPS THIS IS BECAUSE I WRITE MOST OF THE EXTRANEOUS BITS THAT MAKE IT SUCH A PLEASURE TO READ. AND THE REST OF THE MUGS THINK IT'S A MAGAZINE DEVOTED TO DIPLOMACY. I JUST HAVE TO LAUGH.

AND WHILE WE'RE ON THE SUBJECT, FOR "C" GAME PEOPLE - HERE IS WHAT YOU DO. AFTER GETTING THIS, AND READING ALL THE BUMPH, YOU WRITE FURIOUSLY TO ALL THE PEOPLE IN YOUR GAME - OR "A" OR "B" - TRYING TO GET THEM TO ACT IN YOUR BEST INTERESTS. LACKING SADLY IN A & B, WAS THE ELEMENT OF CO-OPERATION IN SUPPORTING OTHER PLAYERS' MOVES. GOOD LUCK, & DO READ IT ALL. LOVE

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