

ARSENIC – '98A

Summer 1908

Proposals:

IRT: RT yes, E no
EIRT: RT yes, E no
EGIRT: RT yes, E no

Fall 1908

England (Mark Fassio): f bal s lvn,
f bot h, a sil-war (a pru s,
a lvn s), f wes-spa/sc (a mar s),
f stp/nc h, f nwy-nwg, f iri-mid,
a gas s mar, f eng h, f mid-por,
a hol-kie, f nts h, a mun-boh.

Germany (Steve Emmert):
a mos-ukr.

Italy (Don Williams): f tus-tyn
(f lyo s), f tyn-tun (f ion s),
a boh s russian a gal-sil,
a vie-gal (a bud s), a ven-tyo
(a pie s).

Russia (Bob Slossar): a sev s german
a mos, a ukr s war, a gal-sil
(a war s /warsaw annihilated/).

Turkey (Jim O'Kelley): f bul/ec ms f
con, a smy-arm, a syr-arm.

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Press

Lone German army to DIS: Hey, I get
the sense that you're . . .
well, you're dissing me, man.

Emmert to board: As the latest
occupant of Moscow, I demand to
be known henceforth as The Lord
of the Three Capitals. I may not
win; I may barely survive; but how
many other players can say they
have occupied two foreign
national capitals?

Bartender to temporary colonel:
Please don't try to dissuade Jim-
Bob's submissions. It's fun to write
press after you're dead. Why, I can
recall hurling loads of postmortem
insults at a certain treacherous
player (who shall remain name-
less, but his initials are Don
Williams) in a game in Upstart
long ago. It's a great feeling; you
can say whatever you want, with-
out any fear of retribution. Some
really creative stuff can come out if
you don't have the restraint that
comes with the need to speak in
diplomatic niceties.

Steve to board: I say we all go to
Markie's stand-down ceremony,
and show these stuffy Air Force
types how to party. I'll bring the
julep fixin's; Jim can bring some of

those Elk-antler hats; Don can
bring the ... the ... the whatever
the mafia uses to celebrate; and
Bob can bring the dancing girls.
Pete, you bring a deck of cards;
Jim-Bob, you just bring your
money.

Tim to Dan: Apparently we need to
educate the Father on the meaning
of TSODM. After you.

Speaking of the mafia: Some linguist
you are. It's lebensraum. Living
space. You put down "loving
space", and that isn't -- hmmm,
maybe that IS what you meant.

London: Not much to say, boys. I
either won this season, or I face
probable unbreakable stalemate.
Both results are entirely dependent
on Steve's order.

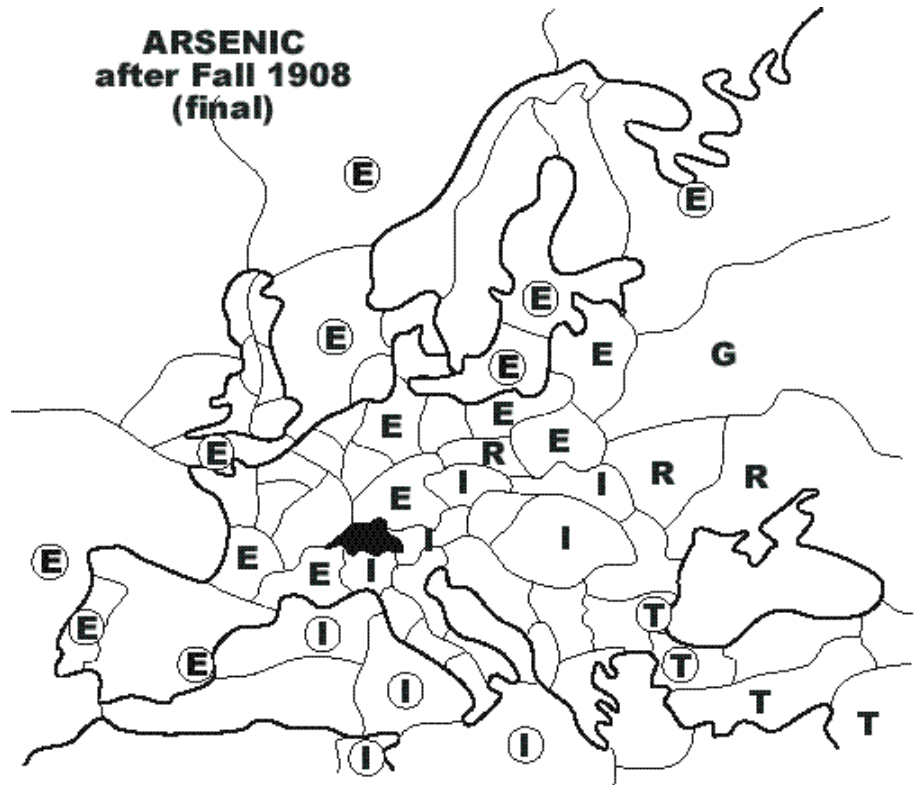
Meat Loaf Fan to ZZ Top Devotee:
To quote some Meaticus Loafus
lyrics, "What's it gonna be, boy?
yes...or, no?" How does it feel to be
KingMaker and/or KingBreaker,
Steve?

Flash to Board: If it turns out that
stalemate is indeed the order of the
day, I'm locking myself away (after

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drinking heavily) and figuring "What Next?" I'll either massively withdraw on all fronts to a "Festung Fassio" somewhere further back, and let "nature" (i.e., the strong kill off the weak) take its course... or I might try for 1-2 turns to experiment with the solo, hoping against hope. The third option? Well, look at the draw proposals I suggest; surely you could all find one that tickles your collective fancy up there. To be part of a 71% board-wide 5-way, a 57% board-wide 4-way, or even a three-way is, IMO, not worth the game. "Some" may consider it a victory to escape Great Power mistakes and "win," and if that's your outlook, more power to you. To each his own.

GM to Arsenickers: Thank you, and good night.



DIPLOMATIC IMPUNITY SCOREBOARD (DIS), STALEMATE EDITION

Burgess	Write, son, write ... we were only kidding about the lethality of your prose ... sort of.
TRI Wall	Hail, Britannia—crack this.
Stalemates	Can't win with 'em, can't live without 'em.
E-players	They like Italy, we like them!
Chum	No press, no up-arrow. [GM: Hell hath no fury like an up-arrow scorned...]
Slossar	See above.
Emmert	Ditto.
Flash	Press will only take you so far...
Bohemia	Suddenly, the de riguer place to be seen!
Limerick Boy	If you want to be booed at and hissed / And make everyone thoroughly pissed, / Just keep up the trick / With the bad limerICK / And eventually you'll be DISmissed.
Coming Soon	Nostradamus, the Prophet

Supply Centers Held as of Winter 1908

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Austria	4	3	0						
England	5	6	8	9	11	13	16	18	lon, lvp, edi, nwy, bel, bre, hol, kie, por, ber, mun, den, par, swe, mar, spa, +WAR, +STP
France	3	4	5	4	1	0			
Germany	6	7	5	4	3	1	1	1	stp, +MOS
Italy	5	4	7	9	9	10	9	9	rom, ven, nap, tun, vie, gre, tri, ser, bud
Russia	6	6	4	3	4	5	4	2	war, rum, mos, sev
Turkey	5	4	5	5	6	5	4	4	con, bul, ank, smy