

# **Connections UK**

Why and How

International Efforts to Advance and Sustain  
the Art, Science and Application of  
Wargaming

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# “Going to Study War No More”

- Did a military ever reduce causality levels by NOT studying war?



# To Study Disease

- 1854 cholera outbreak near Broad Street in the Soho district of London, England
- Outbreak studied, correct causation discerned
- Information shared internationally
- Cholera reduced internationally





# To Study War With Wargames

- Wargames Provide an “EDGE”
  - Anticipate Consequences
  - Virtual Veterans
- Catalyst For Other Edges
  - Mature MTRs
  - Refine RMAs

# Why Advance Wargaming

- Our Edge From Wargaming Can Erode
  - We can't block the spread of all wargame knowledge, but...
  - We **can** innovate faster than they can copy
  - We **will** innovate faster only if we innovate

# Why International Innovation

- Us
  - Innovative Ideas More Likely To Come From Free Societies
  - Big High Schools Win More Championships
  - Leverage International Market Competition
- Them
  - Leverage International Market Competition



# OK, How Can We Innovate Internationally

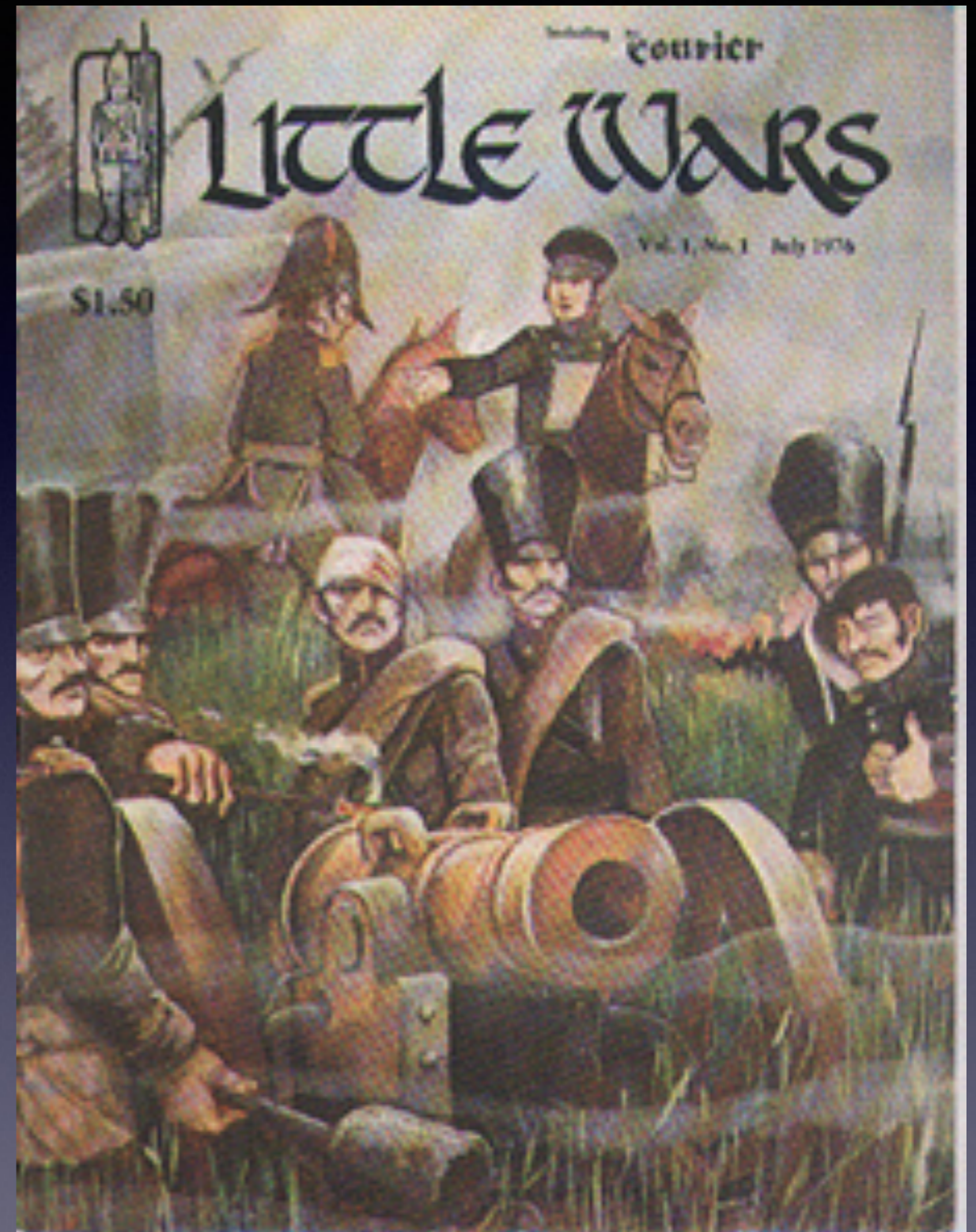
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# Can Wargaming Save Peace?

War is when two sides disagree  
about the outcome of war

“If we only knew we would  
have never started the war.”

Was Wells, again, ahead of his  
time?





# “What Was War Mommy”

- We will not end war at this conference
- We will not end war in our life times
- But let us begin