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1965Q, 1966R, 1966AA, 1967U, 1967V

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1965Q "Spring 1919"
ENGLISH INTERN LAST AUSTRIAN ARMY

ENGLAND (Koning): A Ukr holds; A War & A Mos
S A Ukr; A Ber S A Sil; F Bal-Den; A Kie-
Mun; A Sil & A Ruh S A Kie-Mun; A Bur & A
Gas S A Mar; A Mar & F Mid S FRENCH F Spa
(s.c.); F Bre, F Eng, & F Iri S F Mid; F
North Sea-Norwegian Sea.

FRANCE (Linden): F Spa(s.c.) S TURKISH F
North Africa-Mid.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (K. Pattee): A Mun-Boh.

TURKEY (Kuch): A Sev, F Bla, A Bul, A Gal, A
Boh, & A Tri hold; A Arm S A Sev; A Rum & A
Bud S A Gal; A Tyr S A Boh; A Pie-Mar; F
Tus-Pie; F Por, F Lyo, & F Wes S FRENCH F
Spa(s.c.); F North Africa-Mid.

Underlined moves are not possible. The
Austro-Hungarian army in Munich has no re-
treat, and is annihilated. The deadline for
"Fall 1919" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 4 NOVEM-
BER 1967. "Winter 1919" builds or removals
should be submitted at the same time.

1967U "Winter 1904"

The Italian retreat reported in GRAU-
STARK #141 as "A Tri-Vie" should be "A Tri-
Ven".

ENGLAND (Maloney): Removes F Lon.
GERMANY (M. Miller): Builds A Mun, A Ber.
ITALY (Clark): Builds F Rom, F Nap.
RUSSIA (G. Heap): Builds F St.P(n.c.).
TURKEY (Beshara): Builds A Smy.

The deadline for "Spring 1905" moves is
NOON, SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER 1967.

ROME: "Scholars are, of all men, those
least fitted for politics and its ways." -
Ibn Khaldun of Tunis (1332-1406).

VIENNA: Now just because I won't answer
my mail I think you people are being a bit
drastic...

BERLIN (Danish News Service): The German
High Command is forced to interpret Russia's
intended building of a fleet on the north
coast of St. Petersburg as a declaration of
war on Germany. The High Command regrets
this move by Russia who up until now has acted
in the common interest of Russia and Germany.

1966R
GENERAL ARMISTICE ENDS WAR

Following the "Spring 1915" moves,
all three surviving players agreed to a
cessation of hostilities. It was generally
agreed that no further progress could be
made by any of the players. The players,
with the number of units and supply centers
controlled by each, are:

FRANCE, Don Berman, 16
RUSSIA, Kenneth Levinson, 2
TURKEY, Chris Wagner, 16.

A review of this game, as well as the
recently concluded 1965F and 1966B, will be
published in a future issue of GRAUSTARK.

ABOARD H. I. M. S. ISSACHAR ZEBULONO-
VITCH (Feb. 15, 1915, PNA): All Russians co-
operating with the French have been treated
as they deserve. The French general, de
Ries, received a Valentine gift yesterday:
the heart of his Russian mistress, in a
bottle of Napoleon brandy.

1966AA "Winter 1912"

GERMAN RECRUITMENT LAGS

TURKEY (E. Thompson): Retreats A Con-Ank.

ENGLAND (Dygent): No move received. Games-
master removes F Mid.

GERMANY (Latimer): Refused to build a new
unit.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Walker): Builds F Tri.

The deadline for "Spring 1913" moves is
NOON, SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER 1967. Tom Griffin
should submit standby moves for England.
Press releases begin on p. 3.

Effective immediately, Terry Kuch's new
address is Apartment 204, 1910 13th Street
North, Arlington, Virginia 22201.

Germany hopes that their differences may be
settled without war.

PARIS: The rumors of anarchy spread by
the notorious Dr O O Bman (who is reported
to be a equally notorious Gamesmaster) are
greatly out of proportion. The Sinister
Dr and the Mati Hari of English Front a

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1967V

"Spring 1904"

OUTNUMBERED ITALIANS REGAIN CONTROL OF ADRIATIC

ENGLAND (Lebling): F Iri-North Atlantic; F North Sea-Hel; F Hol S F North Sea-Hel;
F Edi S FRENCH F Eng-North Sea.

FRANCE (Prosnitz): A Bel-Ruh; A Bur S A Bel-Ruh; A Mar S A Bur; F Eng-North Sea; F Mid-
Wes; F Lyo-Tyr.

GERMANY (M. Thomson): F Norway-Norwegian Sea; A St.P-Norway; A Den-Swe; F Bal-Den; F
Kie S F Bal-Den; A War holds; A Mun-Bur; A Ruh S A Mun-Bur.

ITALY (Griffin): F Ion-Adr; F Apu S F Ion-Adr; A Rom-Ven.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (H. Anderson): F Adr-Apu; A Ven-Tus; A Tyr-Pie; A Tri-Ven; A Bud-Tri;
A Rum-Bud.

TURKEY (S. Heap): A Mos holds; F Sev-Bla; A Bul-Rum; F Con-Aeg; F Smy-Eas; F Aeg-Ion;
F Gre S F Aeg-Ion.

Underlined moves are not possible. Austria-Hungary retreats F Adr-Alb. The dead-
line for "Fall 1904" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER 1967.

LONDON (14 Nov. 1903, Reuters): Here in the capital of the British Empire, there is
very little that the government can point to with certainty concerning the war. About
all that can be said is that we are at war with Germany, or, as Townsend likes to say,
"with the Hohenzollerns' madness". Strangely, although a year ago the British IV Fleet
was shelling the French coast, and the papers were full of talk about the liberation of
Belgium and Iberia, all action against France has ceased. The IV Fleet has even with-
drawn to a point off Ireland.

The reason for this uncertainty of course is the French Civil War. Although it
started out as little more than some anarchist bomb-throwing, it is now apparently the
full-scale class war foreseen by Marx. It is almost impossible to get orders from the
government to the armies, and the Britons have noticed that when orders do come through,
they are not generally hostile.

Townsend has been heard to wish for an army takeover in France, for the army can-
not forget the humiliation of 1870. All they care about is revanche against "les betes
Allemands". British intelligence indicates considerable friction along the Franco-Ger-
man border, and the German take-over of the French Congo grates upon all of France.

But no one knows which faction will win in France, and all eyes in England are
turned not to the battle to the east on the high seas, but the flame to the south.

CHRISTIANIA (8 Dec. 1903, Reuters): Norway, Sweden, all of Scandia hangs under a
cloud this bitter December. The Teutons came marching in a year ago, drove out the
"Foreign Imperialists" and settled like a lethal gas into every crack of Scandinavian
life. The entire professional class has fled to England or gone underground. Ibsen, a
fiery 75, assails the conqueror from London with biting drama. Once reviled for his
"indecent" works, the playwright is now a national hero.

I fled Christiania when the Germans began jailing British citizens, and managed to
contact the underground, which is in turn in contact with English privateers operating
in the North Sea.

If it were not for the massive German military presence here, the people would rise
in open revolt. As it is, they are content with harassment. One example Lars related
(he is the second-in-command of this group) concerned the telephone and telegraph sys-
tem. Instead of completely destroying the system, the wire is cut in such a way as to
leave the casing superficially intact. It takes weeks to find the break sometimes. The
wires are often misconnected, so that a call across Christiania will go to Trondjem or
even Copenhagen. Norwegian women have managed to get the Christiania switchboards so
jammed that it is quicker to write a letter than to telephone on the German network.

Tomorrow I leave for Helsinki, via Stockholm and the Aland Islands. From Helsinki

PRESS RELEASES - 1966AA

ST. PEERIGRAD (26. Sept. 1912): Cardinal Peericolli's reasons for addressing the Grand Sevastopol Diplomacy Tournament were unknown to reporters but advanced copies of his encyclical, reported in the last issue of GRAUSTARK, showed clearly that Peericelli was determined to eradicate the intolerance and superstitious ignorance exhibited by unlightened censorship and bigotry. Said Peericelli: "There is no greater danger in this world than the out-of-hand rejection of the different, the new, or the changing. Those who resist for resistance's sake will find themselves buried in the sands of time. To know is to search. To understand is to study. To learn is to love." Peericelli may be under consideration for a Peery Prize for Literature, it is rumored by some sources, for the pure eloquence and beauty of his encyclical.

PEERITOWNE: In a dramatic confrontation that symbolizes the new-found toleration of those secure in the truth for those still searching for the one right way, Peericelli appeared last night with Carl Turnoff, First Minister of Truth, Propaganda, and Censorship, on the nationally televised Open Forum public affairs program.

Moderated by Professor Erik Blake, newly appointed President of Trinity Theological Seminary, Peericelli was obviously the more successful of the program's guests. Contrasted with the ill-at-ease, nervous, fidgety, worried Turnoff, Peericelli appeared to enjoy the limelight and basked in the warm glow of national acclaim. Peericelli condemned the narrow-mindedness of the Turnoff regime and specially attacked their banning of such major works as I Was a Teen-Age Warmonger by Bangs Leslie Tapscott, How to Win Wars and Loose Friends ((sic)) by William Lawrence, and How to Write and Make Money by Dr. Margurite Geminanski. Later Peericelli, in a moment of pure sobriety, turned to Turnoff and asked bluntly: "What is bothering you?" To this simple question Turnoff could only splutter and mutter about a fascist plot to overthrow the monarchies of Dygertania and Bailiska. As usual, nothing he said made sense. With sincerity glowing in his deep blue eyes and in a booming voice ringing with conviction Peericelli assumed a look of righteous contempt and said: "You're a Good Man Charlie Turner."

ST. PEERI-ON-THE-DANUBE: "Oh to know the security of having the truth on one's side." Peery, chapter 8, verse 11.

BROOKLYN (Imperial Sevastopolitan News Agency): Mutinus Nightstand was today awarded an honorary Litt. D. degree by the Free University of Brooklyn "in honor of his notable worthy contributions to the advancement of American letters." Dr. Nightstand expressed his delight at being honored by what he termed "America's foremost academic bulwark." He observed that the Free University's English Department displayed "fantastic insight and the epitome of good taste" in choosing him to be the recipient of the degree. "In short," concluded Nightstand as he accepted the award, "I can only conclude that the Free University's English Department has managed to surpass even its world-famous Department of Physics and Natural Philosophy..." The Chairman of the Department of Physics and Natural Philosophy is, of course, none other than Professor J. B. Bleeding-heart. The Chairman of the English Department is the famous Professor Bangs Leslie Tapscott.

BROOKLYN: In the absence of Professor Eric Blank, Lecturer in Ethics and President of the Free University of Brooklyn, the Board of Regents has selected Dr. Mutinus Nightstand to act as Interim President. The lone dissenting vote was cast by publishing Magnate Clark Gunsel, editor of the Pennsylvania Bugle and famous for his diatribes in his syndicated column "The Carion Gatherer". He called the choice of Nightstand "an utter farce" and shouted as he pounded his shoe on the table, "The man's a fraud I tell you!" Mayor Linseed and Lt. Gov. Taxafeller were so put out by Gunsel's reaction to the choice of Nightstand ("that widely known American journalist who is surpassed only by Drewella Pearsons") that they threatened to start impeachment proceedings against Gunsel.

SEVASTOPOL: Still no word about the outcome of the Diplomacy Tournament. Don't hold your breath waiting for the results...

SEVASTOPOL: Geritol Unltd. today hit an all-time high of 35.5 on the Sevastopolitan Stock Exchange. (All Sevastopolitan stock quotations are in dollars American, as are, in fact, most financial dealings in Grand Sevastopol, due to the fact that the Sevastopolitan ruble was, at last glance, valued at 3.11 x 10⁶⁶⁶ to the dollar and was still steadily sinking.) The reason for the sudden surge of buying in Geritol (which has

raised it from 7.25 a year ago) is believed to be the general confidence among investors that Empress Hagnelda of Balkania will continue to perpetrate the myth that the huge quantity of Geritol consumed at all Balkanian parties, festivals, orgies, etc., etc., is actually Bordschabiazin. It is, of course, known everywhere and to everyone (except in Balkania) that only the Sevastopolitan government possesses Dr. Phrygid Dotteriev's secret formula for the wonder-drug that induces hyper-aging in females - with disastrous consequences for such disciples of Aphrodite as the Bordschas.

Heavy buyers of Geritol Unltd. included members of the German and Sevastopolitan courts, New York reporters, Tijuana night club operators, Diplomacy fans everywhere, and enormous numbers of Salona pimps.

Apparently the demand for Geritol in Balkania knows no bounds. The Bourne-Vita Corp., a franchise of Geritol Unltd., is completely owned by the Balkanian state. It has exclusive marketing rights within the realm of the Bordschas. At last count, Empress Hagnelda had officially presided over the opening of 32 different Geritol producing factories of the Bourne-Vita Corp.

Observers believe that Lucrezia, ever vain, even in old age, is determined to perpetuate the "Lucrezia myth" by having her look-alike cousin Hagnelda impersonate her. This explains the hysterical tenor of the Balkanian propoganda which has denied the truth of Lucrezia's aging and of the effectiveness of Bordschabiazin.

SEVASTOPOL: The Bayleov Squadron shall soon return and force the straits! Beware Sultan Ibn ben Thomsa!

SEVASTOPOL: Admiral Bayleov today sallied forth to once again do battle with the Turkish fleet, incapacitated ever since the loss of their great leader, Conrad Pasha. Although the Sevastopolitan fleet has met with a continuous series of reversals in its attempts to seize control of the Black Sea from the Turks, Bayleov is confident that success will soon be his, "assuming the Austrians decide to take advantage of the current situation and assuming the Germans continue this insane war through their own incompetent inability to win it," Bayleov added.

SALONA (25 December 1912): Her Imperial Majesty, the Empress Lucrezia, this morning presided over another of Her famous Annual Winter Fertility Festivals. As Pope Joan II She blessed the celebrants and read Her new Encyclical, Let Us Entertain You. At high noon, Her Majesty welcomed to the Imperial City of the Borgias His Imperial Majesty Wilhelm III of Germany. While the mad, insane, orgiastic celebrations continued throughout the capital, the two mightiest potentates in Europe had a 3-hour private audience. At the end of the audience, the Kaiser was borne away on a litter, apparently suffering from exhaustion or something, while Her Majesty's voice could clearly be heard calling, "Next?" It is rumored that the two Grand Monarchs have signed a treaty of eternal alliance and are maybe even getting married.

BYZANTIUM (formerly Istanbul, 27 December 1912): His Highness, Grand Prince Caesar Bordscha, Grand Commander of the Turkish Expeditionary Force and Conqueror of Constantinople, today proclaimed the annexation of this ancient city to the Balkanian Empire, the changing of its name to the Greek original, and the expulsion of all Turks from the Balkanian dominions. He then delivered a stirring speech to the assembled listeners, calling for renewed efforts for the subjugation of the hated Ottomans and the cornering of the Chicken Sultan Thompson in his cowardly Syrian capital. Afterwards the Prince retired to the Sultan's seraglio to attend, as he said, "to the terrible problem of underpopulation."

NEW YORK (3 January 1913): His Excellency, Governor Julius Bordscha of the Balkanian Colony of New England and Points South, today announced that the "Svetsoxa Problem" had been done away with forever. "Yesterday, we seized the person of this supposed Svetsoxa, dropped her in a cauldron of boiling lead, clamped on a titanium lid, bolted, riveted, and welded it shut, sealed it in 68 cubic yards of poured concrete, and put the whole mess in a carbon-steel box with walls 9 feet thick. The whole mess was placed inside a giant remote-control torpedo filled with epoxy glue, which in turn was turned over to the Gnome King, Ruggedo, who has obligingly dropped it into the Bottomless Pit. Ha!!!"

CAPTOWN: Persistent rumor has it that the famed Bayleov Squadron, instrumental in the historic leveling of Brooklyn, has been interned in the former British colony of Cape of Good Hope. The only trouble is, nobody can discover who owns Capetown now, or who gave the internment order. Mysteriouser and Mysteriouser.

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Mary Poppins have been spreading rumors, leading dominations and causing no end to the French trouble. It is believe they are active all over Europe. One of their assistant shot Grand Duke Frederick at a local pagion shot sending all Europe into war.

The Dr and Miss Poppins were last seen holding a hate-in in England. England is removed that France intends to draw a line with Italy but as to truce...

France isn't fight this war with her mouth (no coments for ours notorious games-master).

MADEIRA: Local residents reported the passage of a strange craft over their islands today. It flew through the air, apparently with the use of a gas-bag, six wings, a propellor, and a battery of rockets. When hailed, the commander of this craft replied in French, and identified himself as Noah of Arc, "reshcuing the lasht remanantsh of the French army". Although an apparent speech defect made him difficult to understand, he apparently intends to land these stragglers on the top of a mountain and restore France's glories. The French consul, who since the fall of his country has been running a waterfront bar, identified "Noah of Arc" as Pierre Dansletete, the town half-wit of Domremy.

When last seen, the aircraft disappeared in the west, leaving a trail of empty bottles. "Water, water, everywhere," its commander was heard to groan.

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I will go to St. Petersburg, and if it has been captured by the German armies, I suppose Moscow or Riga will be the destination. - Robert Kirkbrite.

BERLIN: The new government of France appears to have overlooked the many fruitful years of cooperation between the great continental powers and to throw its lot in with the very dastards who just were prevented from occupying French Belgium by German intervention. Can it be that the reluctant Red Baron will be forced to fight the innocent dog conscripted by the heartless English? A game in which this could happen must be edited by Bangs Leslie Tapscott.

LONDON: "Never has the British Empire lived through such a darkness to find such a bright and glorious light at the other side," rolled the words from the throat of Prime Minister Townsend. "On that cold winter day in 1903 when the news came of the capture of Holland, all England joined in a chorus of thanksgiving." Townsend continued, detailing the intricate negotiations with the government in France, and finally triumph, when word came that the victorious "Catholic Center Coalition", bloody survivor of what is already known as the "Second Directoire", having ousted the Military and the militant socialists of Berland, the "CCC" would open negotiations as to an armistice with the Empire. Townsend described the anguished waiting for word to come from the Low Countries, the recriminations when a false report of a French attack near the Rhine mouth arrived. He told how he had begun to draw up his resignation papers, and in fact had them with him at that moment when the news came, as he was walking to Whitehall to confer with Admiral Graves, and how the passersby had not even noticed the "ridiculous little man in the frock coat burning a piece of stationery with a totally inadequate pipe".

"Now, months later, we may look back with happiness on that moment, but we must not forget the long and bitter road that lies ahead. To our east lies the most monstrous tyranny ever conceived by the mind of man, grinding whole populations under its iron heel. More than a hundred million people, people who must be freed from their slavery. It is our sacred duty, the duty of all civilized peoples of this Continent, to destroy the Mad Baron. I appeal to the peoples of the Ottoman Empire, the Italian Kingdom, the Austrian Confederation, and our allies of the French Republic to aid us in this task. Our consciences cannot rest until we purge Europe of this Evil."

Townsend, Prime Minister of the British Empire, head of the largest political party in the history of the world, turned and walked slowly out of the room.

THE FIRST PACIFIST WAR GAME

review by John Boardman

War games have presented a crisis of the conscience for some sincere pacifists. On the one hand, they seem to promote war by their very existence, and stimulate military attitudes among those who play them. On the other, they are fun as games, and interesting as re-creations of history. And there is certainly no logic in condemning such well established war games as Chess and Go. The causes of war and pro-war attitudes must be sought elsewhere than on game boards.

The usual war game includes certain assumptions in its construction. It assumes a single ultimate victor among the players. Towards this end, by planning, chance, or both, units of one side attack those of another. Inevitably the game develops a "war psychology" among the players, as can be seen from postal Diplomacy press releases.

Nuclear War, invented in 1965 by Douglas Malewicki of Los Angeles, and now marketed for \$3.25 by Gamescience Corporation, does not eliminate these attitudes. However, by carrying them to extremes, it satirizes them, and pokes fun at the whole military mentality. As the play of the game proceeds, the attitude of the Hawks who feel that all problems can be solved by killing enough people is presented in humorous hyperbole.

Yet, despite its obvious character as a vehicle of anti-war propaganda, Nuclear War is eminently playable as a game. Unlike most war games, it is quick, requiring less than a half hour for a complete game. No extensive board is required.

Nuclear War is played with 40 small yellow "People Cards" and 100 cards the size of conventional playing cards, plus a spinner which can be used to magnify the effects of nuclear bombs. The cards are:

NUCLEAR WAR CARDS

PEOPLE CARDS

1 100-megaton warhead	3 Saturn missiles	4 25-million people cards
4 50-megaton warheads	6 B-70 bombers	6 10-million people cards
10 20-megaton warheads	9 Atlas missiles	10 5-million people cards
19 10-megaton warheads	9 Polaris missiles	10 2-million people cards
2 propaganda cards which bring over 25 million	4 anti-missiles of varying capacities	10 1-million people cards
6 propaganda cards which bring over 10 million	10 SECRET cards	
12 propaganda cards which bring over 5 million	5 TOP SECRET cards	

People Cards are dealt out at the beginning of the game to the 2 to 6 players. (The game is best when at least four players take part.) Players thus have varying populations at their disposal. Each player can proceed to increase his own population by playing propaganda cards which bring over defectors from other nations. Or he can make war with the nuclear weapons and delivery systems at his disposal. Obviously, his strategy depends on the capabilities dealt to him in the nine cards at his disposal. A player with the 100-megaton warhead and no Saturn missile - the only thing which can deliver it - must hold it and hope that the luck of the draw turns up a delivery system. As play proceeds, players keep their hands full by drawing one card for each one used in cold or hot warfare.

Once one player attacks another, propaganda cards become useless between them. (Presumably a third player can raid either or both with propaganda cards, but the rules are not explicit on this point.) Once one of them has been eliminated through annihilation of his population, all players can revise their strategies and, if they wish, make peace.

Once a warhead card is played with the appropriate rocket or bomber against an enemy, a spin of the spinner determines the damage. For instance, a 20-megaton warhead is capable of destroying 5 million people. The spinner can introduce such possibilities as "Fallout Kills Another 2 Million", "Gamma Rays Kill Another 10 Million", or "Dud Warhead (No Effect)". However, the attacked player can destroy the missile in mid-flight if he

plays an appropriate anti-missile card before the spinner is spun. (This can be hazardous. One of the anti-missile cards in my set was ripped in two during a game among Brooklyn College students, as one player hastened to play it before the other could spin to determine the destruction caused by a 50-megaton bomb.)

If a player's population is wiped out by nuclear attack, he can leave the game with a bang - in the form of massive retaliation against his assailant and anyone else he feels like attacking, with one final attack with every missile and warhead he has. This frequently has the effect of eliminating at least one other player. Sometimes all players are eliminated by repeated final retaliations so that, as with actual nuclear war, there is no winner - only losers.

Play is livened up yet further by the "SECRET" and "TOP SECRET" cards, which carry such instructions as:

"2 million of the Enemy's Beatnik Pacifists protest nuclear war and desert to your country."

"Peace Corps Reduces Cold War Tensions! 2 million of the enemy's people leave their homeland to join your form of superior government. (Does not apply once Nuclear War has been started.)"

"2 million of your highly moral little old ladies rebel against your country's military policies and disgustedly drive off in their electric cars to the enemy's country."

"25 million of the enemy's population mysteriously vaporized!"

"10 million of your people leave your country (and the game) for a neutral country"

Nuclear War can be bought from Gamescience Corp., 404 Delsea Drive, Goshen, N. J.

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UNCLEAR WAR

(Being an account of a recently played game of Nuclear War.)

The commencement of hostilities saw the four powers with the following populations:

Treitschkes Reich	37 million	Jerroldistan	69 million
Quintonia	36 million	Decassery	48 million

Almost immediately 25 million Quintonians were mysteriously vaporized, but what did more harm to the Quintonian war effort was the fact that their UN Ambassador got drunk, causing a suspension in diplomatic relations. The Furor of the Treitschkes Reich, however, declared a test ban, thus forfeiting valuable time in armament production. A Treitschkean stock market boom brought over 2 million Quintonians, but this gain was more than offset as 10 million Treitschkeans, fearing nuclear war, defected to a neutral country.

Quintonia countered by landing a man on the moon, thus causing 5 million job-hunters to come over from the Treitschkes Reich and get jobs pulling the rubber band on a huge slingshot at Cppe Carnival. This still left Quintonia weakened by a net loss in population, and matters were not improved when 7 million of them defected to Jerroldistan - 2 million beatnik pacifists and 5 million of the petite bourgeoisie upset over higher Quintonian taxes. At this point Jerroldistan was hit by an earthquake, however, and lost 10 million people. After this series of events, which some observers believed to indicate an alliance of Quintonia and Decassery against the Treitschkes Reich and Jerroldistan, population figures were:

Treitschkes Reich	24 million	Jerroldistan	66 million
Quintonia	7 million	Decassery	48 million

The net population of the four powers was thus reduced from 190 million to 145 million.

As matters got serious, Decassery and the Treitschkes Reich demonstrated B-70 delivery capacity, while it appeared that Jerroldistan had placed its trust in the Atlas missile. However, Quintonia relied on propaganda, and was able to bring over 5 million people from the teeming masses of Jerroldistan.

The first overt attack was made by Decassery, which hit the Treitschkes Reich with

a 50-megaton bomb delivered by B-70 bomber. Only 8 million were killed, though, as 2 million sought safety in bomb shelters. The Treitschkes Reich retaliated with the same weapon, but it was brought down by a Decasseryan anti-missile. Both countries then went over to missile delivery systems.

Quintonia, still relying on propaganda, brought over 5 million more Jerroldis. Jerroldistan responded by aiming an Atlas missile at Quintonia, but it was shot down. Quintonia revealed its own Atlas capacity, so Jerroldistan responded with a Polaris missile with a 10-megaton warhead. Two million Quintonians were killed by the blast, and 5 million more by beta radiation.

Two million little old ladies from Decassery, upset by their country's military policy, put on their tennis shoes, got in their electric cars, and drove off to the Treitschkes Reich. True to their national motto "We Shall Overkill", Decassery hit the Treitschkeans with an Atlas attack which, between blast and fireball, killed 6 million of the enemy. Population figures now stood at:

Treitschkes Reich	12 million	Jerroldistan	56 million
Quintonia	10 million	Decassery	46 million

Only 19 million people had thus far died - a fact which was alleged to give great pleasure to the common deity of the four powers, the Great Kahn.

Decassery's capacity to continue the war, however, was then strongly impaired by an accident in a biological warfare plant, which wiped out 25 million people. The Treitschkes Reich compounded this disaster with a Polaris missile attack which killed 12 million more, 10 million dying as a result of gamma radiation. An Atlas attack by Quintonia on Jerroldistan killed 15 million.

For the next several months the powers built up their delivery systems, which in the Treitschkes Reich and Quintonia particularly were inadequate. Finally a fresh round of hostilities was touched off by a B-70 raid from Decassery on the Treitschkes Reich. The 20-megaton blast itself killed only 5 million people, but the gamma radiation wiped out the rest of the population.

However, as their last retaliation, the Treitschkeans launched 2 Atlas missiles, each armed with a 10-megaton warhead for lack of anything heavier. Decassery shot down one of these with an anti-missile, but the other landed and, between blast and beta-rays, killed 7 million people.

Population figures were then:

Quintonia	10 million	Decassery	2 million	# 345
Jerroldistan	41 million			

Following the end of the hostilities between the Treitschkes Reich and Decassery, the latter country revised its policy, going over to a propaganda offensive. However, the war between Quintonia and Jerroldistan continued, even though 5 million Jerroldis, lured by Decassery propaganda, fled to that country. Quintonia launched a Polaris at Jerroldistan, killing 7 million. Jerroldistan retaliated against Quintonia with the same weapon, but a shelter system prevented any Quintonian losses. Invocations of St. Malthus meanwhile increased the population of Decassery by 5 million, and Jerroldis lured by propaganda added 10 million more.

By this time, inadequate delivery systems were plaguing the Quintonian war effort. Jerroldistan was thus able to attack by B-70 bomber, wiping out the remaining 10 million Quintonians. As a desperate retaliation, Quintonia's last B-70 bomber dropped a 20-megaton bomb on Jerroldistan, but a shelter system held Jerroldi losses to 8 million. At the surrender of Quintonia, Jerroldistan's population stood at 19 million, while Decassery had 22 million.

Both surviving powers went over to cold-war tactics. Five million Jerroldis went to Decassery. But a brilliant counter-propaganda coup on the part of Jerroldistan lured 25 million people in the opposite direction, leaving only 2 million in Decassery

DIRECTORY OF UNFAMILIAR QUOTATIONS - II

Despite the equal space given to the pro-war side in GRAUSTARK #126, readers continue to protest that this journal's editor is unfair to the advocates of war. To defend such criticisms, GRAUSTARK here devotes further space to remarks which favor war. Never let it be said that this publication fails to present both sides of an argument.

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"As pacifism has no reality in nature, and war is the single reality (even in love), it also follows that the pacifist is the most dangerous member in any group."
- Benjamin de Casseres (1873-1945), works

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"War is the natural state of man." - Ibid.

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"Patriotism - the real thing - is sane and healthy because it is egotistic. 'Internationalism' is stupid, anti-biological, and unhealthy because it is altruistic." - Ibid.

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"Barbarism is the natural state of mankind...Civilization is unnatural. It is a whim of circumstance. And barbarism must always ultimately triumph." - Robert E. Howard (1906-1936), "Beyond the Black River"

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"War, in fact, has brought out the noblest instincts and the best traits of human courage and endurance in the annals of history." - Francis Cardinal Spellman (1889-) speech, Camranh Bay, Vietnam, 25 December 1966

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"Man is a killing organism! He must kill to survive. He must kill to advance... The enemies of the white race have been trying to destroy it, by weakening the white man's will...to kill. Let us rip aside this veil of lies and hypocrisy.

"The white man became master of this planet through killing. His mastery has now been challenged. To this challenge there is but one answer - to become master he had to kill! To survive and remain master, he must kill again. Let us show them who is the natural elite - who is the world's greatest killer!" - Dan Burros (1935-1965), Kill #1

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"May God damn for ever all who cry 'Peace!'

And let the music of the swords make them crimson!

Hell grant soon we hear again the swords clash!

Hell blot black for alway the thought 'Peace!'"

- Ezra Pound (1885-), "Sestina:Altaforte"

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"To make a people great you have to send them into battle even if you have to kick them in the pants." - Benito Mussolini (1883-1945).

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"...War, you have become the foundation of all human virtues...

Nations have found cohesion in war and dispersion in peace;

Wisdom in war and deception in peace.

Training in war and betrayal in peace.

Nations have been born in war and expire in peace.

You teach men how to die, while peace shows them only how to live.

You cleanse the world; Peace litters it with corruption."

- Yates Sterling (1873-1942)

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"It may happen that I shall order you to shoot your own relatives, your brothers, or even your parents - which God forbid - and then you are bound in duty ~~politically~~ to obey my orders." - Wilhelm II (1859-1941), speech, 1891.

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"The sword will always be, and remain till the end of the world, the finally decisive factor." - Crown Prince Wilhelm (1882-1951).

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UNCLEAR WAR (continued from p. 8)

to 39 million in Jerroldistan. Decassery promptly switched back to the production of Atlas missiles. But the Jerroldistan Peace Corps put forward one more effort, and the remaining Decasserians placed themselves under Jerroldi rule. The war, cold and hot, was over.

Net postwar population: Jerroldistan, 41 million; escaped to a neutral country, 10 million; total, 51 million.

Total killed: 139 million.

Jerroldistan losses: 40%.

Total losses: 73%.

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

GRAUSTARK recently characterized the Lake-Nelson Jutland Jollies as Canada's first postal Diplomacy bulletin. It is the first native-born Canadian in the field, but of course John McCallum has been publishing the Detroit-born Brobdignag for over 2 years. Our apologies to John.

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It's not every letter-writer who takes the trouble to refute his arguments as soon as he writes them. George Lincoln Dygert, in a recent postcard, said that your editor is wrong in equating conservatism with racism. He also said:

"How to stop lawlessness: If every time Negro revolutionaries decided to burn and kill, those maintaining the law killed 500 Negroes, the Negroes might decide to stop burning and killing."

So conservatism is not racism, but riots should be stopped by killing hostages who happen to have the same skin color as the rioters. Dygert, who incidentally borrowed this suggestion without credit from a racist paper in Sydney, must be in the process of writing his own dictionary.

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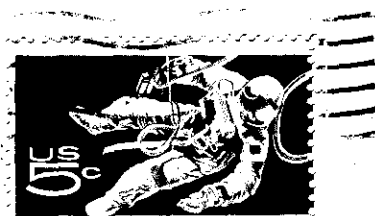
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Has anyone received a copy of the International Enquirer since the middle of July? Or heard from any members of the multitudinous editorial staff? It would be a shame to see this most promising of recent Diplomacy bulletins vanish without a trace. Or did the editors all go out to try to win their Whistling Rapist sweatshirts the hard way?

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