

GRAUSTARK

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1966AA

"Fall 1914"

LUKREZIA ENGULFS TURKEY & RUSSIA

GERMANY (Latimer): F Bar, F Norwegian Sea, A Mos, F North Atlantic, A Mar, A Mun, & A Sil hold; F Kie-Hel; F Eng-Mid; F Mid-Spa (s.c.); A Spa-Gas; A Bur S A Mun; A Ber-Pru; A St.P S A Mos.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Walker): A Ank, A Con, F Eas, F Ion, F Tun, A Pie, & A Boh hold; A Ukr-Sev; A Rum S A Ukr-Sev; F Nap-Tyr; A Rom-Nap; A Tyr S A Boh; A Gal-War; A Ser-Bul.

RUSSIA (Turner): F Sev holds.

TURKEY (E. Thompson): No moves received. F Bla holds.

Underlined moves are not possible. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Bre, Den, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Mar, Mos, Mun, Nor, Par, Por, St.P, Spa, Swe. (18)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Ank, Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Nap, Rom, Rum, Ser, Sev, Smy, Tri, Tun, Ven, Vie, War. (16)

The Russian and Turkish units are removed. Germany and Austria-Hungary may each build 2 new units.

At this point, the remaining players may if they wish call the game a draw. If, prior to the deadline for "Winter 1914" builds, the Gamesmaster received from each player a signed statement that he wishes to terminate the game as a draw at this point. Unless both players send in such a statement, the game will go on. As a hedge against treachery, the players may if they wish send in their builds

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1967U

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RUSSIANS RETAKE ST. PETERSBURG

Following the "Spring 1906" campaigns, the following retreats were ordered:

RUSSIA: F North Sea-Norway.

TURKEY: F Ion-Adr.

All players were notified of these retreats, and a deadline was set for the "Fall 1906" moves.

ENGLAND (Maloney): F Cly-Los Angeles.

GERMANY (M. Miller): A St.P-Norway;
F North Sea S A St.P-Norway; F Hol-Hel; A Kie-Ber; A Mun-Ber; A Edi-Cly; A Boh-Vie.

ITALY (Clark): F Ion-Tun; F Tyr S F Ion-Tun; F Apu S A Vep; A Ven treads water; A Spa throws bulls; A Lon goes topless; F Liv composes songs (?); F North Atlantic-Norwegian Sea.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Latimer): No moves received. A Vie & A Tri hold; F Tun dislodged and annihilated.

RUSSIA (G. Heap): F Norway-St.P(n.c.); A Mos S F Norway-St.P(noc.); A War-Pru; A Sil S TURKISH A Gal-Boh; F Norwegian Sea-Norway; A Den-Kie; F Ska-North Sea.

TURKEY (Beshara): A Gal-Boh; A Sev-Rum; A Ser-Tri; A Bul-Gre; F Con-Aeg; F Eas-Ion; F Adr S F Eas-Ion.

Underlined moves are not possible. Germany retreats A Boh-Tyr, and the German army dislodged from St. Petersburg may retreat to either Livonia or Finland. The direction of this retreat should be sent in with the "Winter 1906" builds and removals, which may be made conditional upon it.

The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

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1967V

"Winter 1905"

TURKISH SILENCE PUZZLES EUROPE

ENGLAND (Lebling): Removes A Edi. TURKEY (S. Heap): No build re-
 FRANCE (Pnosnitz): Builds Bre. ceived.

The deadline for "Spring 1906" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 20 JANUARY 1968. Terry Kuch is asked to send in stand-by moves for Turkey.

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GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Edi, Hol, Kie, RUSSIA: Den, Mos, Nor, St.P, Swe,
 Mun, Par. (7) War. (6)
 ITALY: Bre, Liv, Lon, Mar, Nap, TURKEY: Ank, Bud, Bul, Con, Gre,
 Por, Rom, Spa, Tun, Ven. (10) Rum, Ser, Sev, Smy. (9)
 AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Tri, Vie. (2)

England removes its last unit, and is out of the game. Italy and Turkey may each build two new units, and Russia must remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1906" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 20 JANUARY 1968.

There is an error in the list of Russian 1905 supply centers published in GRAUSTARK #144. Among others, Russia is credited with Kiel and Munich instead of Moscow and Rumania.

HOLLYWOOD: Miss Mary Poppins, former British Prime Minister, has signed with the Walt Disney studios to star in the forthcoming motion picture about that famous folk heroine, "Miss Julie Andrews".

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NEW YORK: The massed pipers of the Scots Guards will appear at the premiere of the new Madison Square Garden direct from their unsuccessful European campaign.

O At
 P Great
 E Intervals
 R This
 A Appears
 T To
 I Inflame
 O Optic
 N Nerves

SOPCHOPPY, FLORIDA: A strange aircraft passed over this little Florida town today, headed in the direction of the Everglades. After knocking the weather-vane off the town hall, the pilot identified himself as Noah of Arc, searching for a place to establish a New France somewhere far away from the wars of Europe.

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The local townspeople turned out in their quaint ceremonial garb of white robes and hoods to greet Noah of Arc, a peasant from Domremy who believes he has a divinely inspired mission to save the fleeing remnants of the French. At last reports, the aircraft, a sort of combination balloon-dirigible-ornithopter-volplane-autogiro, was heading in a southeasterly direction towards the swamp, leaving a trail of moonshine bottles.

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

Your Gamesmaster has been very busy this week printing, collating, and mailing LEFTOVERS #2, so there has been little time left to prepare this GRAUSTARK. LEFTOVERS #2, together with GRAUSTARK #147, has been mailed out by third-class mail to those GRAUSTARK readers who might also be interested in the larger publication. If there is not a copy of GRAUSTARK #147 included in the envelope with this #148, then you will be getting both LEFTOVERS #2 and GRAUSTARK #147 in a few days. For those of you who don't get LEFTOVERS as a regular thing, it is 25¢ a copy, or 5 issues for \$1.00. The current issue contains articles on war, skunks, Cthulhu, Ethical Culture, Winston Spencer Churchill, and Farmer Alfalfa. Neither LEFTOVERS nor GRAUSTARK is edited under the supervision of Bangs Leslie Tapscott.

along with these declarations. Thus, the game will be a draw, with each player having 14 or 16 units.

Should either player have other courses of action in mind, the Gamesmaster stands ready to open a confidential correspondence on the subject. The deadline for "Winter 1914" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 20 JANUARY 1968.

SEVASTOPOL (25 September 1914): Advance guards of the Grand Papal Army, under the command of His Serene Highness, Prince Caesar Bordsha, Defender of the Faith and Right Hand of Her Holiness, today entered the city of Sevastopol, having conquered all of South Russia. His Highness pronounced the campaign to reduce the so-called "Empire of Sevastopol" to vassalage was a complete success. It is reported that Tsar Andrew IV died amid the smoking ruins of his palace, while the old witch attempting to impersonate Her Beauteous Holiness the Pope and Empress was thrown to the troops. They threw her back. She was then thrown to the lions. They threw her back, too. Finally, in desperation, she was thrown to a pack of Barbary apes, which aren't so choosy. But, alas, they threw her back. She was burned at the stake.

SALONA (31 October 1914): The Natal Orgy of Her Holiness the Pope began officially yesterday, although celebrations began throughout the Empire early last week. Her Holiness, appearing radiant and more lovely than she has in many years, greeted Her people. "The strife is over, and Europe is at peace under the Dual Monarchy of Germany-Balkanias. All that remains are a few mopping-up operations, such as destroying a neo-Turkish state in Syria, and the work of Our dear brother in restoring the demographic balance of war-torn provinces." "All hail the Pope!" shouted some; "All hail the Empress!" shouted others; and "All hail the Kaiser!" shouted still others.

SEVASTOPOL (5 November 1914): Karl Turnoff, late of the Sevastopolitan government, was sentenced to 3 years in prison for war crimes. As additional punishment, he will have to share his cell with Infant Prince James and Admiral Bayleov.

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TERRY KUCH has moves to send in in both 1967U and 1967V, as Austria-Hungary and Turkey respectively.

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"War Games and the Game of War", part 3, will appear in GRAUSTARK #149. So will a letter column and the next installment of "A Brief History of the Grand Duchy of Beaucaillon".

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Those players who are getting GRAUSTARK solely because they are playing or have played in 1966AA are reminded that the end of that game is nearly upon us. They should subscribe if they wish to continue receiving it. GRAUSTARK will continue to go in trade to other Gamesmasters.

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Will Suzie Stranahan please call her parents in Easthampton, Long Island? They are quite worried about her, as they feel she cannot be enjoying herself in her present surroundings.

THE ADVENTURES OF SECRET AGENT O-O-HATE

Chapter XLI

Mac, head of the hypersecret agency dedicated to preserving the American Way of War showed the telegram to Secret Agent O-O-Hate and his teen-age assistant Burner.

"Golly gee!" Burner gasped. "This mission will take us into the very heart of the International Pacifist Conspiracy!"

"Where's that, chief?" O-O-Hate asked Mac. "Moscow? Havana? Lord Russell's wine-cellar? Martin Luther King's watermelon patch?"

"No, O-O-Hate. It's worse than that. You will have to go into the very heart of the enemy - a place where 'Pax' has been muttered for centuries - a place from which has come, in recent years, pronouncements designed to sap mankind's will to kill - a place which even now is trying to arrange truces in Vietnam which, though a feeble war, is the only one we have."

O-O-Hate, who in his other identity is Clark Gansel, mild-mannered comic book collector of Bugle, Pennsylvania, gasped as a sudden supposition swept through him. "You don't mean - Rome?"

"I'm afraid I do," Mac replied. "There is a rumor that the Pope will turn a bull loose on Our Boys in Vietnam."

"Has he no shame!" Burner gasped.

"Quick! Off at once!" O-O-Hate exclaimed. "Where's the Hatemobile .. say, Mac, I think we'll need a Hateplane for this one!"

"Not in the least," said Dr. Pourguerre, the scientific genius of the agency. "I have invented an instantaneous transmitter, from plans which I picked up last Friday night from an odd-looking man with deformed ears and yellow jaundice. All you have to do is step in here, and you will be transmitted instantly to Rome as soon as I pull the switch!"

O-O-Hate and Burner looked dubiously at the machine, then stepped into it. Dr. Pourguerre threw the switch. There was a loud crackling, but nothing happened. After Dr. Pourguerre tinkered with the dials, the machine responded in a rich, fruity voice:

"I am sor-ree! The num-ber yew have reeched is not a wor-king num-ber!"

"Gops, wrong setting," Dr. Pourguerre replied. He turned a dial. "Now!"

He yanked down the switch, and instantly Mac's familiar office faded out of sight! Particolored mists swirled around O-O-Hate and Burner, then parted.

"Where are we?" O-O-Hate asked.

"We're in Rome!" Burner exclaimed. "Goshwow! It looks just like it does in all the movies!"

Secret Agent O-O-Hate looked around him. He and Burner stood alone in the middle of a vast sandy plain. Around them, in tier upon tier, sat a huge crowd of people. Underneath a canopy sat a grossly fat man in a purple-trimmed white robe. A green wreath sat on his head, and his thumb was turned downward.

"Yes, this is Rome all right," O-O-Hate replied. "But I still think there's been a slight mistake in Dr. Pourguerre's machine."

((Where are O-O-Hate and Burner now? How can they fight for the American Way of War before there is an America? Follow their adventures in the next GRAUSTARK!))

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With the end of postal Diplomacy game 1965Q, those players who receive GRAUSTARK as players or former players in that game should re-subscribe. The subscriptions of these players presently end with the following issues:

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