

TEHRAN: It's been 543 days!

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1979HH

"Fall 1905"

BLUE TIDE ROLLS EAST

ENGLAND (Bragdon): A Lon-Den; F Nth C A Lon-Den; A Den-St.P; F Bal & F Bot C A Den-St.P; A Liv & F Nwy S A Den-St.P; A Mun-Boh; F Ska holds.

FRANCE (Bolton): A Boh-Gal; A Sil S A Boh-Gal; A Bur-Mun; F Naf-Tun; A Mar-Pie; F Tyr-Ion; F Wes-Tyr.

ITALY (Aicken): F Nap-Rom; A Pie-Tus; A Tyr-Ven.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (van Alkemade): A Con & A Vie hold; F Aeg S A Con; F Apu-Ven; F Adr S F Apu-Ven; A Tri S A Vie; A Gal-War; A Sev-Mos; A Ukr S A Sev-Mos.

RUSSIA (Liverani): A War S FRENCH A Sil-Gal; A Mos S A War; A St.P S A Mos; F Smy holds.

TURKEY (Gluek): A Ank-Con.

Underlined moves are not possible. Russia retreats A St.P-Fin and removes the dislodged A Mos. Austria-Hungary must retreat A Gal-Bud or -Rum or removes the unit. The direction of this retreat should be sent in with the "Winter 1905" moves, which may be made conditional upon it. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Den, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Nwy, St.P, Swe. (10)

FRANCE: Ber, Bre, Mar, Mun, Par, Por, Spa, Tun. (8)

ITALY: Nap, Rom. (2)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Mos, Rum, Ser, Sev, Tri, Ven, Vie. (11)

RUSSIA: Smy, War. (2)

TURKEY: Ank. (1)

Austria-Hungary, England, and France may each build one unit, and Russia and Italy must each remove one. (Other Austro-Hungarian builds are impossible for lack of an open home supply center.) The deadline for these "Winter 1905" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 1980.

PARIS to MOSCOW: Relief is on the way!

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1980AO

"Fall 1902"

FROG-N-CHIPS SHOPS OPEN IN LONDON

ENGLAND (Foster): A Yor-Wal; F Nth holds; F Nrg S F Nth.

FRANCE (Blankenstein): A Pic holds; F Eng-Lon; A Pie-Tus; A Mar-Pie; F Mid-Wes.

GERMANY (Bragdon): F Hel-Nth; F Hol S F Hel-Nth; A Bel & A Den hold; A Mun-Tyr; A Boh-Vie.

ITALY (Verheiden): F Tun-Ion; A Tyr-Ven.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Caronia): A Ser & F Alb hold; A Tri S A Ser.

RUSSIA (Henricks): F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy; A Swe S F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy; F Bot-Liv; A Gal S GERMAN A Boh-Vie; F Rum S A Sev; A Sev S F Rum.

TURKEY (Ripper): F Aeg-Ion; A Bul-Ser; A Gre S A Bul-Ser; F Bla-Bul(e.c.).

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

ENGLAND: Edi, Liv. (2)

FRANCE: Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa, Lon. (6)

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Den, Kie, Hol, Mun, Vie. (7)

ITALY: Nap, Rom, Tun, Ven. (4)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Ser, Tri. (3)

RUSSIA: Mos, Nwy, Rum, St.P, Sev, Swe, War. (7)

TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Gre, Smy. (5)

Italy may build two new units, and France, Germany, Russia, and Turkey may each build one. England must remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1902" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 1980. Stephen Caronia has been in the hospital for the past week, which is why he has not been keeping up his correspondence.

ROME: Italy welcomes proposals from all neighboring nations - except maybe Turkey.

1978FB - VERY LATE AND NO LONGER APPROPRIATE PRESS RELEASE

NOWHERE: The Austrian govt-in-exile today announced its plans for a fall vacation in Norway.

1975HW

LATIN POWERS HALVED

"Fall 1916"

ENGLAND (Taylor): F Naf-Tun; F Mar holds; A Bur-Par; F Por-Spa(s.c.); F Mid S A Wal-Bre; F Eng C A Wal-Bre; A Wal-Bre; A Ruh-Mun; A Kie S A Ruh-Mun; A Ber-Sil; A Pru S A War; A War S A St.P-Mos; A St.P-Mos; A Liv S A St.P-Mos; F Den-Nth.

FRANCE (Schneier): A Gas S ITALIAN F Lyo-Spa(s.c.).

ITALY (Lipton): F Lyo-Spa(s.c.).

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Verheiden): A Sil-Pru; A Gal-War; A Ukr S A Gal-War; A Sev-Mos; A Rum-Gal; A Mun S FRENCH A Gas-Bur; A Tyr & A Boh S A Mun; A Pie-Mar; F Wes-Tun; F Ion S F Wes-Tun; F Tyr-Tus; A Rom S F Tyr-Tus; F Nap-Tyr; F Adr-Apu.

- Underlined moves are not possible. The English A War is annihilated. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Ber, Bre, Den, Ed1, Hol,

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Ank, Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Mun, Nap, Rom, Rum, Ser, Sev, Smy, Tri, Tun, Ven, Vie, War. (17)

Kie, Liv, Lon, Mar, Mos, Par, Por, St.P, Nwy, Swe. (16)

ITALY: Spa. (1)

Austria-Hungary and England each have two builds, and the last French unit is removed. Since builds are far enough behind the fighting lines to make little difference in the progress of the game, the deadline for "Winter 1916" and "Spring 1917" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 1980. The vote for a draw is re-submitted.

VIENNA: Congratulations are probably due in advance to Mr. Taylor. The English position was definitely superior to my own when I came in and, though I capitalized somewhat, I have been unable to rally France or Italy to the Austrian cause. Lipton's indifference is perhaps understandable from previous encounters, however Schneier's petty attempts at backstabbing at this late date confound me.

1978AR

"THE INMOST SEA OF ALL THE WORLD IS SHAKEN WITH HIS SHIPS"

"Fall 1910"

ENGLAND (van Alkemade): F Bre-Mid; F Iri S F Bre-Mid; F Nwy-St.P(n.c.); F Bar S F Nwy-St.P(n.c.); F Nth-Ska.

GERMANY (Kluge): F Den-Swe; A Kie-Ber; A Kie S A Mun((sic)); A Mun S A Kie-Ber; A Bur S A Mun; A Ruh not ordered, holds.

ITALY (Szauter): F Por S F Spa(s.c.); F Spa(s.c.) S F Por.

RUSSIA (Boudon): No moves received. F Swe, A Livonia, F Bal, A Ber, A Sil, A Boh & F Rum hold; F St.P(n.c.) dislodged and annihilated.

TURKEY (McMillie): A Gas-Bre; A Par S A Gas-Bre; F Lyo-Spa(s.c.); A Mar & F Wes S F Lyo-Spa(s.c.); F Aeg-Ion; F Ion-Tyr; F Tyr-Lyo; F Naf-Mid; A Ser-Tri; A Bul S RUSSIAN A Rum; A Tyr S RUSSIAN A Boh-Mun.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Italian F Spa(s.c.) is annihilated. Both the concession to Turkey and the draw failed so vehemently that the votes are not going to be submitted again for the time being. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Ed1, Liv, Lon, Nwy, St.P. (5)

RUSSIA: Ber, Bud, Mos, Rum, Sev, Swe, Vie, War. (8)

GERMANY: Bel, Den, Hol, Kie, Mun. (5)

TURKEY: Ank, Bre, Bul, Con, Gre, Mar, Nap, Par, Rom, Ser, Smy, Spa, Tri, Tun, Ven. (15)

ITALY: Por. (1)

The German A Kie was ordered to do two different things, so both orders fail.

Stand-by "Winter 1910" and "Spring 1911" moves for Russia should be sent in by Louis Gluek, Snelling & Snelling, 1724 Sherman Ave., Evanston, Ill. 60201. Russia

1978FB

"Winter 1908"

ENGLAND (Foster): Builds A Lon, F Edi. TURKEY (Chafetz): Builds F Smy.
 ITALY (Aicken): Builds A Ven, F Nap.

The vote for a concession to England once again fails of unanimity, and is once again submitted to the players for a vote. The deadline for "Spring 1909" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 1980.

1979HF

"Winter 1905"

ENGLAND (Lariton): Removes F Fin. ITALY (Ripper): Removes F Ven.
 GERMANY (Drakert): Builds F Kie. TURKEY (Chafetz): Builds F Smy.

The deadline for "Spring 1906" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 1980.

1978HG

"Winter 1907"

GERMANY (McDaniel): Builds F Kie. RUSSIA (Szauter): Builds A Sev, F St.P
 ITALY (Chafetz): Builds F Nap, A Rom. (n.c.).

The deadline for "Spring 1908" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 1980. Louis Glueck should send in stand-by moves for Turkey.

1979HG

"Fall 1906"

ITALIANS OCCUPY IBERIA

Following "Spring 1906" moves, France retreats F Wes-Spa(s.c.). All players were informed.

ENGLAND (Hunt): F Bre-Mid; F Nrg-Nwy; F Bar S F Nrg-Nwy; A Fin-St.P; F Swe-Bal;
F Bot S F Swe-Bal.

FRANCE (Murray): F Mid-NAF; F Spa(s.c.)-Wes; A Mar-Spa; A Bur-Mun.

GERMANY (Aicken): A Ruh-Kie; A Hol S A; Ruh-Kie; F Den S A Ruh-Kie; F Eng S ENG-LISH F Bre-Mid.

ITALY (van Alkemade): A Gre-Bul; A Tri-Tyr; A Kie S RUSSIAN F Bal-Den; A Pie-Mar;
F Lyo-Spa(s.c.); F Por S F Lyo-Spa(s.c.); F Wes-Mid; F Tun-NAF; F Tyr-Lyo.

RUSSIA (Martin): F Smy holds; A Con-Bul; A Rum-Gal; A Mos S A St.P; A St.P S ENG-LISH F Swe-Nwy;
F Liv-Bot; F Bal-Den; A Ber S ITALIAN A Kie; A Sil S A Mun;
A Mun S A Ber.

Underlined moves are not possible. The French F Spa(s.c.) is annihilated, and France must retreat F Mid-Nat, -Iri, or -Gas. The direction of this retreat should be sent in with the "Winter 1906" moves, which may be made conditional on it. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bre, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, Swe. (6) ITALY: Bul, Gre, Kie, Nap, Por, Rom, Ser, Spa, Tri, Tun, Ven. (11)

FRANCE: Mar, Par. (2) RUSSIA: Ank, Ber, Bud, Con, Mos, Mun, Rum, St.P, Sev, Smy, Vie, War. (12)

GERMANY: Bel, Den, Hol. (3)
 Russia and Italy may each build two units, and Germany and France must each remove one. The deadline for these "Winter 1906" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 1980.

BORDEAUX: Will Russia and Italy
 Ever be true?
 I think not for
 They see Black and Blue!

LONDON: If our MAO scam
 Goes according to plan
 There's a draw on our hands
 Ain't it grand?

1979IN

"Winter 1904"

ITALY (Johnson): Builds F Nap. TURKEY (Foster): Removes F Bla.
 AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Rauterberg): Builds A Vie.

The deadline for "Spring 1905" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 1980. Roger Dunneil should send in stand-by moves for Russia. Press releases appear elsewhere in this issue.

1980K

FULL OF SOUND AND FURY, SIGNIFYING NOTHING

ENGLAND (M. Cummings): F Liv-Wal; F Lon S F Nth; F Nth S F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy; F Nyr-Ska; F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy.

FRANCE (Salcedo): No moves received. F Eng, F Mid, A Par, A Bur & A Gas hold.

GERMANY (Lariton): F Kie-Den; A Swe S F Kie-Den; A Sil-Pru; A Mun-Sil; A Ruh-Mun; A Bel holds; F Hol-Nth.

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

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Dunnell): No moves received. (Well, actually, a "Winter 1902" move was received.) A Bud, A Ser, A Tri & F Adr hold; F Ven dislodged and annihilated.

RUSSIA (Hunt): A Gal-Rum; A Ukr S A Gal-Rum; F Sev S A Gal-Rum.

TURKEY (La Rocco): F Gre-Ion; F Aeg S F Gre-Ion; A Con-Sev; F Bla C A Con-Sev; A Bul-Ser; A Rum S A Con-Sev.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Turkish A Rum is annihilated, and the Italian F Ion must retreat to Nap, Tyr, Tun, Alb, or Eas. The direction of this retreat should be sent in with the "Fall 1903" moves, which may be made conditional upon it. Stand-by moves for France should be sent in by Ron Foster, 138 Koch Blvd., Staten Island, N. Y. 10312, 212-356-1144. The deadline for "Fall 1903" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 1980.

AUSTRIA to the WORLD: Sorry, guys, I got your letters but I've been tied up! Hello, Momma! Don't pay the ransom, honey, I've escaped.

1980CD - PRESS RELEASE

ST. PETERSBURG (December 21, 1901): The Tsar today acknowledged that England posed a threat to the Russian fleet in Sweden.

HECTIC, BUT FUN

I have been gamesmastering postal Diplomacy games for 17 years, but on the last two weekends I tried it over the board for the first time. The tournament at Origins 80 brought in over 100 people; we had 14 full boards the first day, and 8 the second. Robert Sacks devised a scoring system which was reasonably fair and accurate, and spared us the 'elimination' feature of most tournaments. The winner was Walter Blank. Things were considerably more relaxed at ConSpiracy one week later, when we had to struggle to get one full board on each of the two days. The winner was Laurence R. Brothers.

I enjoyed meeting at Origins 80 a number of people who had previously been only names signed to sets of orders. These included Glen Taylor, Dick Martin, Roy Henricks, the Lee Kendters father and son, Dan Miller, Dan Palter, David Perlmutter, and Michael Miller.

There were rumors that Origins 81 will be held somewhere in California. Let's hope the management is a little better than the incompetents who ran Origins 80. I was sent back and forth between two people, each of whom claimed that the other had the keys our party needed.

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GRAUSTARK, the Very First bulletin for the postal play of Allan B. Calhamer's game Diplomacy, is published every third Saturday by John Boardman, 234 E. 19th St., Brooklyn, N. Y. 11226. The entry fee for a new game being organized is \$12; this includes a subscription to GRAUSTARK as long as the game lasts. The subscriptions for non-players are 12 issues for \$5 by first-class, and 20 for \$5 for third class. Back issues are 10 for \$1.50 as available, except for ## 296 & 315, which are 50¢ each. Presently available back issues are 200, 202, 291-299, 301-309, 311-317, 319, 322-345, 347-418.

PARIS to ANKARA: Russia is your only hope.

PARIS to ROME: France will support you against Austrian invasion. Sorry about Tunis.

ITALY to the World: You guys sure aren't nice to the standbys are you? No one even wrote to me - sob, sob -

ANKARA to the World: The revolving door spins again and a new Sultan emerges. The new Potentate sends greetings to his Ally, the Kaiser. Blood transfusions & CARE packages gratefully accepted.

1979IN - PRESS RELEASES

LONDON: English advisors have arrived at Naples to instruct the Pope's ship-builders. Although they were greeted with stale garlic bread and limp spaghetti, they were invited to dine on frog legs in Tunis with the victorious Italian navy.

VOICE OF DECADENT VIENNA: His Divine Highness, the Emperor-Diety Franz Joseph, has ordered the annexation of Poland to Holy Osterreich. The Satanic government of Russia must remove itself from the Western world immediately. Its continued existence is an affront to all god-worshipping peoples.

ROME (RIB): The Pope, while supervising the shipyards, received news of the fall of Constantinople. It was reported that He shouted "Great! Get some beers. Break out the Crisco. Call the Senators' wives. We'll show god Frank Joe what an Orgy is all about."

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has one "Winter 1910" build, and Turkey has three. I already have the Turkish build, so the Russian player should send in his build by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL, so that it arrives by Monday 21 July 1980. (Both Boudon and Gluek should send in this build.) All players will be informed, and the deadline for "Spring 1911" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 1980.

ANKARA to SPAIN/LISBON: Since I am moving to Spain I figure that I should own it. It makes the rent a lot more affordable.

ANKARA to BERLIN: I'm sorry about Paris, but it was so beautiful in the spring, I had to see what it was like in the fall.

ANKARA to MOSCOW: Que pasa?

SPAIN to ANKARA: A SMY-MAR! What a vulgar display of power.

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

1979HI

"Winter 1904"

Now this one is going to be difficult. Russia retreated F Swe-Fin and England retreated F Nth-Eng. But Austria-Hungary sent in neither a retreat of his dislodged F Smy, nor a build. Instead, he sent in a totally inappropriate set of moves labeled "Spring 1905". So the Austro-Hungarian F Smy is removed, and we now have:

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ENGLAND (Liverant): Removes F Bot, F Ska.

ITALY (Foster): Removes A Tyz.

FRANCE (Ashley): Builds F Bre.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Dunnell): No build received.

GERMANY (Chafetz): Builds A Ber.

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1980CD

"Winter 1901"

ENGLAND (Taylor): Builds F Edi.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Carl): No builds received.

FRANCE (W. Cummings): Builds A Par.

RUSSIA (Bray): Builds F St.P(n.c.), A Mos.

GERMANY (Aicken): Builds A Mun, A Ber.

ITALY (Ripper): Builds F Rom.

TURKEY (Kovalcik): Builds A Ank.

The deadline for "Spring 1902" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 AUGUST 1980. Standby moves for Austria-Hungary should be sent in by Louis Gluek, whose address appears on p. 2. Press releases appear on p. 4.

BACK TO THE ARMY AGAIN

"The nation needs all men, but it needs each man not in the field that will most please him, but in the endeavor that will best serve the common good." - President Woodrow Wilson, 1917

"Granting wide choice under pressure to take action is the American or indirect way of achieving what is done by direction in foreign countries where choice is not permitted." - General Lewis B. Hershey, Director of Selective Service 1947-1969

Nine days from today, the Post Offices will begin registering young men - and not women - born in 1960 and 1961. This is compulsory under the requirements of a draft registration law recently enacted.

That will be all - for now. The elaborate structure of local draft boards, appeals boards, etc., was dismantled about 5 years ago, and will take some time to be restored. This, however, can come next, and the names of the registrants will be given to them. For the announced intentions of both President Carter and Governor Reagan on the international scene will require a large army to put them into effect. The present registration is, for all practical purposes, equivalent to a draft as it operated in the years 1965-1973.

A fascinating, fully detailed, and heavily biased account of the Vietnam Era draft is Chance and Circumstance by Lawrence M. Baskir and William A. Strauss (Alfred A. Knopf, New York, 1978). The authors, who were senior officials with President Ford's Presidential Clemency Board. The book is full of statistics, and notes telling where the numbers came from and how accurate the authors believe them to be. If there is ever a vogue for trivia of the First American-Vietnamese War, Chance and Circumstance will be the place to look. Do you want to know how many servicewomen were killed in Vietnam? (9) How many men of the World War II generation were killed in Vietnam? (500) What percentage of "Vietnam Generation" men who served during the "Vietnam Era" never went to Vietnam? (75) How many men deserted under fire in Vietnam? (24) How many of the 1,040,000 men in the National Guard and Reserves were sent to Vietnam? (15,000) How many men evaded the Vietnam draft by never registering in the first place? (about 500,000)

Each of the several ways of avoiding conscription is handled in detail by the authors, with general statistics and some case histories. And this is where the pernicious character of this book becomes evident. The authors make no secret of their belief that the war and draft were wrong. In the guise of reportage, they tell how to fake a gastrointestinal ulcer, or Meniere's syndrome. If you want to make an army examiner believe that you are suicidal, or homosexual, the information is in this book.

Procedural irregularities were rife under General Hershey's administration of the draft, and a well-organized network of draft counselors were able to inform their clients on how to take advantage of them. The draft boards of the 1960's were to a large extent unaware of their own regulations, and the procedures under which they had to operate. Each time a counselor caught hold of one of these irregularities, sometimes hundreds of youths got out of the army. If the induction orders were not issued in the proper order, almost every man on the list could get off. And the counselors were everywhere - on college campuses, in churches, in Pacifist groups, and sometimes even in industries that wanted to protect their employees. They were lawyers, physicians, ministers, and lay people. They kept one another better informed about the complications of conscription laws and regulations than the average draft board member was. Some were volunteers, some were salaried by their agencies, some collected donations from their clients, and towards the end some even got federal funds from the Office of Economic Opportunity, or did their draft counseling in an "alternate service" program. The medical counselors were in a particular position of power, as they were able to certify exaggerated or non-existent physical disabilities for their clients. One such physician, in crass disregard for his duty as a patriotic supporter of America's war effort, said, "The traditional doctor-patient relationship is one of preserving life. I save lives by keeping people out of the Army."

Very often, a man's classification or conscription depended on what local board he was registered with. The notorious case of "Draft Board #100" is discussed in detail. San Francisco was better for some types of appeals, Seattle for others - and to some extent a man got to pick where he had to report for examination or induction. Sometimes it was worthwhile making trouble for a local board, which simply ignored a man who looked as if he were going to involve them in numberless appeals and legal cases. When draft boards reacted punitively against troublesome cases, they often unwittingly violated prescribed procedure, which gave the man another way out. On the other hand, some boards clamped down hard on troublemakers and were able to make it stick. The stiffest sentence handed out for non-violent draft resistance went to Warren Crawford, who with his two brothers was ordered to report for his physical the week after their mother, a civil rights leader, refused to testify before the Louisiana House Committee on Un-American Activities. He refused induction and got six concurrent five-year sentences. One brother, who had been in the Army for 13 years, was sent to the stockade.

Baskir and Strauss emphasize the class nature of draft avoidance. Obviously, the better educated men had more access to counselors, and a better understanding of their rights. The wealthier men were better able to fight conscription. The men with good connections could get into the National Guard, which was even better than a bus trip to Canada as a way of staying out of Vietnam. Their places were taken by men of lower social and economic levels, who were already in uniform before deciding to get out, and who therefore came under the more severe penalty of desertion.

As a general rule, the principled draft resister who tried to make a case against America's imperial role in the world, or for an imagined "individual" right to escape coercion, fared less well than the selfish person who sought nothing but his own interests in getting out of military service. This may be why the Libertarians of the Political Right are now fighting so vigorously against a revival of the draft. It is their conviction that if each person follows his or her selfish interests, society as a whole will be a happier, safer, and cheaper place in which to live. They will find support for this view in Baskir's and Strauss's accounts of how such men fared, while those who struck political postures before press conferences or juries frequently had cause to regret it.

In discussing deserters, the authors examine the Army's policy on discharges as it developed during the war. The workings of the "spin number" system is described; this was a code by which prospective employers and others could check a man's discharge certificate and find out why he was separated. (The system has been abandoned, but could easily be revived.) Deserters and other problem cases could usually get UD's (Undesirable Discharges). These carry some stigma in civilian life, and carry no veterans' benefits. However, a UD offered a mutually satisfactory way, for both the man and the Army, of getting him out fast. Sometimes civilian employers of AMOL soldiers would try to hasten their UD's so they could get back to their jobs fast.

By the authors' count 50,000 men fled the country, with 30,000 going to Canada. Exile community politics in Canada are described, particularly the debate over President Ford's "clemency" and President Carter's "amnesty" programs. The communities of draft emigres included men who assimilated perfectly well (even to citizenship) in the country of refuge, and men who came back, or turned criminal. The draft emigres who went to Canada found that they were not the first. Jim Grady, in British Columbia, had crossed the border to escape the 1917 draft. There is even an account of the weird Northern Lunatic Fringe attack on Blaine, Washington, in 1970. And the CIA's Operation CHAOS attempted, with indifferent success, to infiltrate emigre organizations in Canada and Sweden. There was even a curious case in Russia. "A deserter who was heading for Sweden though the Soviet Union met an American girl in Moscow, went out for a date with her that same night, and disappeared. No one knows what happened to him."

The "clemency" program offered "alternate service" to people who gave themselves up. The authors follow out the progress of "alternate service" and conclude that in practice an extremely small number of people were ever penalized in any way for failing to complete it.

The book's last chapter, "Legacy", has an obvious application to the present revival of military conscription. "The effective functioning of a post-Vietnam draft," they conclude, "hinges on a number of other optimistic assumptions: the overnight modification of a draft structure that is presently non-existent, the fair application of laws and regulations by draft boards whose Vietnam-era performance did not withstand judicial scrutiny, swift and certain criminal enforcement by a judicial system that dismissed more than 90 percent of all Vietnam-related cases, and the absence of a concerted resistance effort by pacifist groups who oppose conscription as a matter of principle." Furthermore, "millions of draft-age youth will know that their fathers were avoiders, war resisters, or disillusioned veterans. This is not the stuff upon which to build an ethic of unquestioned patriotism."

Under President Carter's registration law, failure to register is a felony punishable by a maximum penalty of up to five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. Yet Baskir and Strauss say that non-registrants managed to get off considerably easier than this during the Vietnam draft. It works best for non-whites of lower economic levels - precisely the group least likely to try other ways of beating the draft. Furthermore, draft boards were lenient as long as the man discovered to be a non-registrant signed up sometime or other.

The opponents of the forthcoming draft registration are trying to think of ways to make it physically impossible. One of the more ridiculous ways is to get hundreds of opponents of conscription to form lines at the post offices and each buy one 1¢ stamp. Obviously, the same lines will not be used for purchase of postage stamps and for draft registration. Some will try to block access to post offices altogether. (I intend to lay in several weeks' supply of stamps in advance before the 21st, just in case.) But the "jam-the-jails" strategy never worked, even at the height of the First Americo-Vietnamese War, as Baskir and Strauss themselves admit.

The failure of the new draft to include women will not be a major problem. It will be maintained in the courts that there is nothing evil, wrong, or unfair about military service, and that therefore men are not being penalized by the exemption of women. Since 1917, the courts have never given the slightest encouragement to the opponents of military conscription, and matters are not likely to change now. Not even the 13th Amendment has been successfully argued against the draft.

Besides, there is an important front-line role which women are incapable of fulfilling. Sure, they can fire guns, carry packs, cross rough terrain, and keep from cracking up under strain. But they are incapable of one act, an ancient military tradition which strikes fear into the heart of the enemy. Women cannot rape.

We are more likely to see more subtle attacks on registration. Some men may register several times, using the names of different non-existent or ineligible persons each time. Suppose that a man registers using the name, address, and other vital statistics of a woman with a plausibly masculine name such as "Lee", "Leslie", "Frances", "Marion", "Tracy", "Carroll", or "Kim". In due course of time an induction notice is delivered to, or an indictment is made out against, a woman. The Selective Service System gets bad publicity as a result. Or a man may register in the name of a fifth-grade classmate who was killed hitching a ride on the back of a bus in 1970. With luck, a tabloid or TV news show may show a picture of a tearful mother screaming at a bewildered federal marshal with a warrant in his hand. People may register in the name of someone otherwise eligible, who has a major disability such as blindness or a missing limb. (This could backfire though; one-eyed men, or those with missing fingers, were taken in the Vietnam draft.)

The fact that registration coincides with a census could also aid the shirker. Since 1917, the government has used census data to back up military conscription. As a general rule, you can safely assume that anything told to one branch of the federal government is available to all the others. Right now, the Census Bureau is distributing supplementary census forms in post offices, banks, and newspaper ads. Anyone who wants to establish an alternate identity for himself, or for a non-existent person, can now easily do so.

However, most of the people who selfishly put their private preferences up against

the high imperial destiny of the United States of America are overlooking a number of things. The U. S. government is also capable of learning from the problems with the Vietnam-era conscription. The next draft boards may consist, not of local people entitled to small amounts of federal patronage, but of highly trained civil service people sent out from Washington with far greater powers. Draft boards will be given much more freedom of action; the order of call problems, for example, will cease to impede the orderly processing of American youth into cogs in our massive military machine. Presidential amnesty or clemency will be severely limited by law, or even abolished. Regulations will be streamlined, if they have not been already, to eliminate the procedural claims that clogged the courts a decade ago. Only physicians whose political reliability has been checked will be allowed to pass on medical conditions of draftees. More uniform nationwide procedures will be established, and inspectors will be sent out from Washington with plenipotentiary powers to ensure that they are followed.

Emigration will also become more difficult. Economic problems have made immigration to Canada much more difficult than it was 10 or 12 years ago. Young men who cross the border into Canada and think that will instantly end all their troubles will be surprised to learn that much has changed. And the Amex-Canada network, on which the emigres of a decade ago depended, has long since ceased to exist. The CIA could also re-activate Operation CHAOS - if, indeed, it was ever de-activated.

The class nature of draft avoidance will remain. If the Army cannot get the men it wants from Princeton, Harvard, or Berkeley, it will take them from the white working-class populations of Bay Ridge, South Boston, and the Ozarks. And if these also balk, the men will come from Harlem, Roxbury, or the Four Corners country.

Some people might consider that there are other places than Canada to which to emigrate. Americans of Spanish heritage could reverse the flow and head for Mexico or the Dominican Republic. Blacks could probably disappear in any of dozens of West Indian islands - provided that they can change the hard Harlem dialect for the soft Barbadeon speech. However, the United States of America can exert incalculable pressure on any nation that becomes notorious as a hideout for draft emigres. Suppose all exports and postal service are cut off to such a country - how long before they would capitulate and deliver up the emigres?

The draft counselors, whose services Baskin and Strauss hold so highly, could be put out of the picture. A vigorously enforced law, prohibiting such activities, would wipe out in one stroke the widespread notion that young men have any way of saying "No" when His Excellency, the President, Commander-in-Chief, Alpha Male, and Supreme War Leader of the United States of America demands their service. That, in general, is a far more important point than any 'message' that a revival of the draft will send to Leonid Brezhnev, Ruhollah Khomeini, or any other reckless foreigner who tries to defy the orders of the American Empire. The youth of America must be told, in an unmistakable manner, that they do not have control over their own lives and destiny. The principle must be unmistakably established, that the life of every young American male is the sole and absolute property of the government of the United States of America, to be disposed of as the United States of America shall determine.

Fortunately, today's youth do not seem as inclined as their older brothers of 10 years ago to defy the President. I have heard much praise of conscription from today's student generation. (Curiously, enlistments do not seem to be up.) Of course, it is still necessary to tighten up military discipline, since changes in the international situation might diminish this enthusiasm. Consider the case of a Jewish youth who signs up for the draft out of support for America's opposition to the anti-Jewish regimes that presently rule the Soviet Union, Iran, and Jordan. But, the way the international situation is capable of changing, this youth may find in 1983 that his first combat assignment will be to expel Israeli troops from the west bank of the Jordan River.

Finally Chance and Circumstance itself could be an indication. If the book is reprinted in paperback and given a wide distribution, we could be in for another period of Pacifistic agitation. The information it contains would be a gold-mine to the draft dodger. If, however, the book is banned, and expunged from our libraries, it will be a sure indication that the U. S. government will not allow the slightest resistance this time to America's inevitable progress towards total imperial world domination.

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The last-minute rush		#418		#419		
Just prior to GRAUSTARK deadlines continues, and several players are still missing their moves. The chart to the right shows how many players had not yet sent in all their moves, and how many positions were at that date still open, for the last issue of GRAUSTARK and for the present one. (There are fewer positions in this issue because so many games are in "Winter" moves.) It is obvious that the great number of positions still open 2 or 3 days before the deadline means that most of the games must be adjudicated in great		play- ers	posi- tions	play- ers	posi- tions	
	Sun. 1 June	48	78	Sun. 22 June	39	62
	Mon. 2 June	48	78	Mon. 23 June	39	62
	Tues. 3 June	48	78	Tues. 24 June	39	62
	Wed. 4 June	47	77	Wed. 25 June	39	62
	Thurs. 5 June	46	76	Thurs. 26 June	38	58
	Fri. 6 June	43	73	Fri. 27 June	36	56
	Sat. 7 June	41	67	Sat. 28 June	31	51
	Sun. 8 June	41	65	Sun. 29 June	31	51
	Mon. 9 June	39	63	Mon. 30 June	30	49
	Tues. 10 June	39	63	Tues. 1 July	27	46
	Wed. 11 June	38	62	Wed. 2 July	26	45
	Thurs. 12 June	35	57	Thurs. 3 July	26	45
	Fri. 13 June	33	55	Fri. 4 July	26	45
	Sat. 14 June	32	54	Sat. 5 July	24	43
	Sun. 15 June	32	54	Sun. 6 July	24	43
	Mon. 16 June	32	50	Mon. 7 July	20	36
	Tues. 17 June	30	47	Tues. 8 July	16	26
	Wed. 18 June	29	46	Wed. 9 July	15	24
	Thurs. 19 June	18	28	Thurs. 10 July	12	18
	Fri. 20 June	13	21	Fri. 11 July	10	14
	Sat. 21 June	8	11	Sat. 12 July	5	5

haste. It also means that people who miss two consecutive moves get replaced by stand-bys, which might help to speed things up a little. However, lately even the stand-bys are starting to miss moves. Carl Copeland and Carlton Hommel will be dropped as stand-bys if they do not send in moves for their stand-by positions.

Some players write that their copies of GRAUSTARK are not getting to them. Under Postal Rule 10, deadlines will not be postponed if issues are lost in the mails.

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