

GRAUSTARK

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1982CV

"Fall 1911"

FRANCE WINS!

FRANCE (Kaplan): F Eng-Mid; F Nrg-Nwy; F Nth & F Ska S F Nrg-Nwy; F Bal, A Mun & A Kie S A Ber; F Den S F Bal; A Ber & A Bur S A Mun; A Tyr S A Mun; A Pie & A Ven S A Tyr; F Ion-Tun; F Nap holds; F Lyo-Tyr; A Rom S A Ven.

ITALY (Brawner): F Apu holds.

RUSSIA (Rauterberg): F St.P(n.c.), F Swe, F Bar & A Fin S A Nwy; A Nwy S F Swe; F Bot S F Swe; A Liv-Pru; A Sil S A Liv-Pru; A Ukr-War; A Gal S A Sil; A Boh-Tyr; A Tri S A Boh-Tyr; A Vie S A Tri; A Con holds; A Ser-Gre; A Alb S A Ser-Gre.

1982CV - John Boardman, GRAUSTARK
 E - Roland Morris (dro F04)
 Eric Verheiden (out F10)
 F - Charles Kaplan (won F11)
 G - Terry Tallman (out F05)
 I - Dan Palter (dro F03)
 Mike Sanches (dro S07)
 Jack Brawner (out F11)
 A - John Carroll (out S03)
 R - Paul Rauterberg
 T - John Aicken (out F10)

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

FRANCE: Bel, Ber, Bre, Den, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Mar, Mun, Nap, Par, Por, Rom, Spa, Tun, Ven. (18)

RUSSIA: Ank, Bud, Jul, Con, Gre, Mos, Nwy, Rum, St.P, Ser, Sev, Smy, Swe, Tri, Vie, War. (16)

France now has 18 supply centers, and has therefore won the game. Charles Kaplan has been playing postal Diplomacy in GRAUSTARK for three years, and

	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11
E	3	4	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2		
F	3	5	6	6	9	11	11	11	14	15	17	18
G	3	5	5	4	1							
I	3	3	5	3	3	3	4	3	4	3	1	
A	3	4	1									
R	4	6	8	11	12	14	14	15	13	13	16	16
T	3	5	6	7	6	3	3	3*	1	1		

this is his third game. He shared in a draw in his first game, 1981AV, but this is his first win. Players and other readers are invited to send in their reviews of the play of this game, for publication in future issues of GRAUSTARK. In the supply center chart to the right, an asterisk indicates a supply center for which a unit was not built. 1982CV began in GRAUSTARK #457, and therefore took about 1½ years to play.

WHEN DO YOU EXPIRE?

Owing to the end of 1982CV, and the expiration of non-players' subscriptions, the following people's subscriptions to GRAUSTARK will expire with the indicated issue:

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| 485 - John Aicken | 492 - Phill Cooper |
| John Carroll | 495 - Don Del Grande |
| Terry Tallman | 501 - Bruce Linsey |
| 488 - Richard Kovalcik | Ralph L Morton |
| 489 - Gerry Thompson | 502 - John Weswig |
| 491 - Mark E. Johnson | 519 - Eric Verheiden |

New games are available. For information about game fees and subscriptions see p. 11.

1983IE

"Spring 1901"

GERMANS BLOCKED OUT OF FRANCE

ENGLAND (Wienczek): F Lon-Eng; F Edi-Nth; A Liv-Yor.

FRANCE (Rauterberg): F Bre-Mid; A Par-Bur; A Mar S A Par-Bur.

GERMANY (Hurwitz): A Mun-Bur; F Kie-Hol; A Ber-Kie.

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

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Jordan): A Bud-Ser; A Vie holds; F Tri-Alb.

RUSSIA (Chafetz): F St.P(s.c.)-Bot; F Sev-Bla; A War-Gal; A Mos-Ukr.

TURKEY (Bobker): A Ctn-Eul; F Ank-Con; A Smy holds.

Underlined moves are not possible. The deadline for "Fall 1901" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984.

BERLIN (Deutschland Agency for Military News): Forewarned by too many friendly governments to dismiss, the Kaiser ordered the 2nd Army to thwart a French thrust toward Munich.

BERLIN to PARIS: If I'm wrong, Paul - I apologize profusely. I think I'm right, though.

ST. PETERSBURG: The Turkish Ministry of Defense has ordered an all out defensive. Not trusting his immediate neighbors intends to defend the Black Sea & Galicia from invasion.

1982P

"Winter 1911"

Following "Fall 1911" moves, Russia could not retreat A Swe-Den because it was dislodged by an English fleet coming from Denmark. The dislodged Russian A Swe is removed, and Russia retreats A Nwy-Fin. France retreats A Kie-Den. England therefore loses Kiel to France, and has no builds. France builds F Mar, and Austria-Hungary builds A Vie, F Tri. The deadline for "Spring 1912" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984.

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

Two people have written in with inquiries about playing postal Diplomacy:
Ron Galicia, 6672 Plaza Ridge Road, San Diego, Calif. 92114
Conrad Minshall, 3702 Tarragona Lane, Austin, Texas 78727

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I had a brief but enjoyable time at Kathy Byrne's annual New Year's weekend Diplomacy-and-other-games tournament. I showed up on Friday evening with a huge bundle of 1982 issues of GRAUSTARK and EMPIRE to be given away or thrown out, as suited the attendees of Byrnecon. After looking over some of Kathy's tradezines, I got into a game of Avalon-Hill's Titan, which looks like a good, enjoyable challenging game - an opinion I maintain despite being eliminated from it fairly early. I was very kindly driven back to Brooklyn by, of all people, Bruce Linsey, who seems to have greatly mellowed in the past couple of years. He claims not to have forged anything for some two years, and I am even inclined to believe him.

Other social obligations kept me away from the other days of Byrnecon, but a good time was had by those who did show up.

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GRAUSTARK #487 will be collated here at the usual date, Saturday 25 February, but I won't be here for it. I am faculty adviser to Brooklyn College's College Bowl team, and will be with them at the regional competition that day in Newark. But if you want to help assemble that issue, be here at about 2 PM on that date; I'll leave the pages for whatever volunteers show up.

1983IE - LATE DESPATCH

After page 2 was printed, but before the deadline, the Turkish player sent in the following change of moves:

TURKEY: A Con-Dul; F Ank-Bla; A Smy-Arm.

The Russian move "F Sev-Ala" therefore also fails.

1982HI

"F 11 1909"

ENGLISH ABANDON MUNICH POSITION

ENGLAND (Chafetz): F Cly-Liv; F Nat-Mid; F Eng S F Nat-Mid; A Gar-Mar; A Mun-Bur; A Ruh-Bel; A Kie S F Den; F Nrg S F Nwy; F Nwy S GERMAN F Swe; F Den S A Kie.

GERMANY (Quirk): A Gre holds; F Swe S ENGLISH F Nwy.

ITALY (D. Schwartz): F Spa(s.c.)-Mar; A Rom S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Ven; F Tun holds.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Gratto): A Ser-Gre; F Adr-Ion; F Ion-Tyr; F Nap S F Ion-Tyr; A Vie-Boh; A Tyr S RUSSIAN A Sil-Mun; A Ven S ITALIAN A Rom; A Bur-Ruh; F Mid-Nat.

RUSSIA (Goode): A St.P-Nwy; A Fin S A St.P-Nwy; F Pal-Kie; F Ber S F Bal-Kie; A Sil-Mun; A Rum-Gal; F Bul(s.c.) S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Ser-Gre; F Iri S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN F Mid-Nat.

Underlined moves are not possible. Germany retreats A Gre-Alb. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Bre, Den, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Nwy, Par. (10)

GERMANY: Swe. (1)

ITALY: Por, Rom, Spa, Tun. (4)

Austria-Hungary and Russia may each build one new unit; Germany must remove one. Italy would also have a build but no home supply center is available. The deadline for these "Winter 1909" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984.

1982IM

"Winter 1907"

FRANCE (Ferguson): Builds A Par, F Mar.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Pearson): Removes F Adr.

GERMANY (Ellis): Builds F Kie.

TURKEY (Chafetz): Builds A Con, F Smy.

The deadline for "Spring 1908" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984.

KIEL: Petter late than never is what I always say.

BERLIN to the Late Great Hector Roybal: I am sorry to learn that you can't accept certain phases that many Diplomacy games go through. Indeed I would agree with you when you say 5-way draws are exceeded in dullness only by 6 or 7 ways. However, I for one will not ever vote for a 7, 6, or even 5 way draw. a 4-way draw even seems somewhat ridiculous. I think what you didn't understand, Hector, is that this is just a phase in the game. I think it should prove interesting now that the Austrians are nearly crushed. Can the alliance hold together against such hard-to-reach opposition? Will the West remain peaceful? And what of the Russian hordes to the East? For the answers to these and even more earth-shattering questions, tune in next week month; same battime, same batzine, same batGM!!!

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

Ken Corbin sends along a photo of his daughter, who was born last year, playing with some issues of GRAUSTARK. Joan Extrom, the baby's mother, writes "Just thought you'd like to know that somebody appreciates the bright colors you use for GRAUSTARK." Little Samantha got hold of the back issue box and spread them all over the living room floor!

1981IQ

"Spring 1914"

HEAVY FIGHTING CONTINUES ON GERMAN FRONT

FRANCE (Martin): A Ruh-Hol; A Mun-Kie; A Bur-Ruh; A Bel S A Ruh-Hol; A Tyr-Boh; F Nrg-Nwy; F Eng-Nth; F Edi & F Lon S F Eng-Nth; F NAT-Nrg; F Mi-Nat.

RUSSIA (Kaplan): F St.P(n.c.)-Bar; F Nwy S F Nth; F Den S F Nth; A Hol-Bel; F Nth S A Hol-Bel; A Boh-Mun; A Ber S A Boh-Mun; A Vie-Tyr; A Ukr-War; A Sev-Mos; A Rum-Ukr; A Bud-Gal; A Kie-Ruh.

TURKEY (Cooper): A Con-Sev; F Bla C A Con-Sev; A Arm S A Con-Sev; A Bul-Rum; A Gre S A Ser; A Ven-Tri; A Ser & F Alb S A Ven-Tri; F Tri-Adr; F Adr-Ven.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Russian A Hol and the French A Mun are dislodged and annihilated. Russia must retreat F Nth-Yor, -Hel, or -Ska, or remove this unit. The Russian player should send the direction of this retreat by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL, so that it arrives by MONDAY 23 JANUARY 1984. The deadline for "Fall 1914" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984.

FRANCE: I love these endless games!

ST. PETERSBURG to PARIS: If you attack me any more then Turkey wins. Game over.

1983AX

"Fall 1904"

RUSSIA STABS EVERYTHING IN SIGHT

Following "Spring 1904" moves Turkey retreated F Ion-Tun.

ENGLAND (Peart): F Bar-St.P(n.c.); A Nwy-Swe; F Den-Bal; F Lon-Eng; F Nth S F Lon-Eng.

FRANCE (Bragdon): F Bel Holds; A Pic S F Bel; A Bur S ITALIAN A Mun; A Gas-Mar; A Par-Gas; F Lyo-Wes.

GERMANY (Hurwitz): A Kie & A Ber S RUSSIAN A Sil-Mun; A Ruh-Bur; A Hol-Bel.

ITALY (Murray): A Mun S RUSSIAN A Sil-Ber; A Boh-Vie; A Tyr S A Boh-Vie; F Ion-Tun; F Tyr S F Ion-Tun; F Nap-Ion.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Wasserman): A Bud-Ser; A Tri S A Bud-Ser; A Vie-Bud.

RUSSIA (Drakert): A Mos-St.P; A Sil-Ber; A Gal-Bud; A Rum S A Gal-Bud; F Bla-Ank.

TURKEY (Follmer): F Aeg-Ion; F Tun S F Aeg-Ion; A Ser S RUSSIAN A Rum-Bud; A Bul & A Gre S A Ser.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Austro-Hungarian A Bud is dislodged and annihilated. Austria-Hungary retreats A Vie-Gal, Germany retreats A Ber-Pru, and Turkey retreats F Tun-Naf. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, St.P, Swe.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Tri. (1)

(6)

RUSSIA: Ank, Ber, Bud, Mos, Rum, Sev, War.

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

(7)

GERMANY: Den, Hol, Kie. (3)

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

ITALY: Mun, Nap, Rom, Tun, Ven, Vie. (6)

Russia may build two new units, and England may build one. Turkey also has a build if the dislodged F Tun is removed rather than retreated. Austria-Hungary and Germany must each remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1904" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984. Robert Peart writes that from the beginning of February his address will be: 1 Herman Crescent, Palgrave, Ontario LON 1P0. Additional press releases appear on p. 10.

ROME to TRIESTE: (Sorry Kevin, I saw this as my only real chance.)

Summer Green, Winter White,

Knock Austria, Out of Sight.

1983L

"Spring 1906"

NOW IT'S RUSSIA'S TURN

ENGLAND (Ticossi): F NAT, F Eng & F Den hold; F Iri S F Eng; F Edi-Nth; F Swe-Bot;
A St.P-Mos.

FRANCE (London): F Bre & F Wes S F Mid; A Ruh-Kie; A Bur-Bel; A Hol S A Bur-Bel; A Ber
S A Mun; A Mun S A Ruh-Kie; F Lyo-Spa(s.c.); F Mid & A Mar hold.

ITALY (Rauterberg): A Ven-Pie; F Rom-Tus; F Ion-Tyr; A Tun holds.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Cameron): A Ank-Arm; F Con-Bla; A Rum holds; A Sil-War; A Gal S A Sil-
War; A Boh-Sil; A Vie-Tyr; A Bud-Vie; F Tri-Alb; A Apu-Ven.

RUSSIA (Verheiden): A Mos-Ukr; A War S A Mos-Ukr; F Sev-Bla.

Underlined moves are not possible. Russia retreats A War-Liv or A War-Pru. The deadline for "Fall 1906" moves, which may be made conditional on the direction of this retreat, is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984. Owing to a change of the Area Code where he lives, Eric Verheiden's phone number is now 818-334-3149.

RIOT IN VIENNA: A mob of people rampaged through downtown Vienna after viewing the first theatrical showing of a new movie. The rioters were reportedly angered because the film Von Spritzen - Prince of Darkness, starred Bela Lugosi in the title role rather than Oscar Homolka, who apparently resembles the real Count von Spritzen more closely. Shouting "Homolka! Homolka!" the crowd wrecked the theatre and then broke into the Viennese Ersatz Art Museum where several exhibits, including photographs of the Mona Lisa and Venus de Milo and a collection of ashtrays stolen from famous hotels, were destroyed.

Damage was estimated in the billions.

MOSCOW: Russia calls upon all nations to resist Austro-Italian imperialism before it is too late!

1983CP

"Fall 1903"

FRENCH TAKE LONDON

No Russian retreat arrived by 4 January so the dislodged Russian F Swe was removed, and all affected players were informed.

ENGLAND (Hardiman): F Lon-Nth; F Nth-Nwy; F Nrg S F Nth-Nwy.

FRANCE (Browner): A Pic-Bur; A Wal-Lon; F Eng S A Wal-Lon; A Gas-Liv; F Mid C A Gas-Liv; F Iri-Liv((sic)).

GERMANY (Kaplan): A Hol-Bel; F Bal-Den; F Nwy holds; F Swe S F Nwy; A Boh-Gal; A Sil
S A Boh-Gal.

ITALY (Cameron): A Ven-Tri; F Adr & A Alb S A Ven-Tri; F Ion S A Alb.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Chafetz): A Tri-Bud; A Vie S A Tri-Bud.

RUSSIA (Henricks): F Sev S F Rum; A Bud S F Rum; F Rum S F Sev; A War holds; A Mos-
St.P; A St.P-Fin.

TURKEY (Heuer): A Ser S RUSSIAN A Bud; A Gre S A Ser; F Aeg S A Gre; A Bul holds;
F Bla S A Bul.

Underlined moves are not possible. England retreats F Lon-Yor and Austria-Hungary retreats A Tri-Tyr. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

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1983CW

"Spring 1903"

WAR AND CREATIVE WRITING

The English and Italian players seem to have mis-written their orders for this turn. The abbreviation "Nor" is ambiguous - it could stand for "North Africa", "North Atlantic", "North Sea", "Norwegian Sea", or "Norway".

ENGLAND (Clarke): A Liv-Wal; F Nth-Nor((sic)); F Ska S F Nth-Nor((sic)); F Den-Kie; A Ber holds.

FRANCE (Wallick): F Mid-Nat; F Eng-Iri; F Bre-Mid; A Pic-Bre; A Bel S GERMAN F Hol; A Mun S RUSSIAN A Pru-Ber; A Bur-Ruh.

GERMANY (Quirk): A Kie S RUSSIAN A Pru-Ber; F Hol S A Kie.

ITALY (Stone): F Nap-Tyr; A Ven-Bud((sic; no such unit exists)); A Tri S A Ven-Bud ((sic)); F Eas-Smy; F Ion-Aeg; A Vie not ordered, holds.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Palter): A Ser-Tri; A Bud S A Ser-Tri; A Bul-Arm; F Gre S ITALIAN F Ion-Aeg.

RUSSIA (Jordan): F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy; A Nwy-Swe; F Bal S A Nwy-Ser; A Pru-Ber; A Sil S A Pru-Ber; A Rum-Gal; F Con-Ank; F Bla C AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Dul-Arm.

TURKEY (Wilcon): A Smy S A Ank; A Ank S A Smy.

Underlined moves are not possible. The English A Ber is annihilated, and Italy must retreat A Tri-Tyr, -Alb, or -Ven. The Italian player should send this retreat in to the G mesmaster by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL so that it arrives by MONDAY 23 JANUARY 1984. The other players will be informed. The deadline for "Fall 1903" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984. For Kevin Stone's new address see page 8.

CEDARHURST to TURKEY: If you can't work with Moscow the fault more likely lies within yourself.

CEDARHURST to ITALY: Well, let's see if we can work together this time.

CEDARHURST to MOSCOW: On time & on target for once.

CEDARHURST to ENGLAND: Best of luck.

BRITAIN: ?

ITALY to All: Sorry I haven't negotiated much. The mail will pick up once I get back to school.

ITALY to AUSTRIA: Sorry old buddy, but I wasn't going to give you another chance to do what you did at Kane's house. The real kicker is if you actually did help me into the Aegean.

ITALY to RUSSIA: Let's roll!

1983HF

"Fall 1902"

GERMANS GET CAPITAL BACK

In "Spring 1902" moves the Austro-Hungarian A Bud-Rum should have been underlined as impossible. The German A Ber and the Russian F Bal both retreated to Prussia, and so both were removed. All players were informed of these developments.

ENGLAND (Follmer): F Eng-Bel; F Nth S F Eng-Bel; A Fin-St.P; F Nwy S A Fin-St.P.

FRANCE (G. Baker): No moves received. A Bur, F Lyo, A Pic, A Spa & F Mid hold.

GERMANY (Quarto): A Ruh-Mun; A Kie-Ber; F Bal S A Kie-Ber; F Swe-Den.

ITALY (Scharf): A Mar-Bur; F Tyr-Lyo; F Wes-Spa(s.c.); A Tun holds.

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1983AX - LATE DESPATCH

After the report for this game on page 4 was printed, and just before the deadline, a last-minute change of moves came in from the Austro-Hungarian player. His moves now are:

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: A Tri S A Bud; A Vie S A Bud; A Bud S ITALIAN A Boh-Gal. Underlined moves are not possible. In addition, the Russian move "A Gal-Bud" now fails, and Budapest remains Austro-Hungarian. Austria-Hungary therefore does not have a removal, and Russia has only one build.

1982IN

"Fall 1908"

FRENCH FRIED!

ENGLAND (Ticossi): F Nat-Mid; F Iri S F Nat-Mid; F Ber-Kie; F Den-Nth; A War-Liv; A Ruh-Bur; A Lon-Bre; F Eng C A Lon-Bre; A Pic S A Lon-Bre; A Gal S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Tri-Vie.

FRANCE (J. Schwartz): F Tyr¹-Wes; A Ven-Tri; F Adr S A Ven-Tri; F Bel S A Hol; A Hol S A Kie; F Gre S F Bul(s.c.); F Bul(s.c.) S F Gre; F Mid-Eng; F Bre-Pic; A Vie S A Ven-Tri; A Mun-Boh; A Kie S A Hol; A Tyr S A Ven-Tri; A Bur-Par.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Drakert): A Sil-Mun; A Boh S A Sil-Mun; A Tri-Vie; A Bud S A Tri-Vie; A Ser-Tri.

RUSSIA (La Rocco): A Ukr-Mos; A Sev-Rum; F Bla S A Sev-Rum; A Con S A Smy; A Sny S A Con.

Underlined moves are not possible. The French A Vie is dislodged and annihilated. France retreats A Mun-Ruh, F Bre-Gas, and F Mid-Spa(n.c.), -Spa(s.c.), -Por, or -NAF. The direction for this retreat should be sent in with the "Winter 1908" orders, which may be made conditional upon it. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Ber, Bre, Den, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, St.P, Swe. (9)

FRANCE: Bel, Bul, Gre, Hol, Kie, Mar, Nap, Par, Por, Rom, Spa, Tri, Tun, Ven. (14)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Mun, Ser, Vie, War. (5)

RUSSIA: Ank, Con, Mos, Rum, Sev, Smy. (6)

France and Russia may each build one unit, and England must remove one. The deadline for these "Winter 1908" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984.

1983AS

"Spring 1904"

MUSICAL CHAIRS IN THE BALKANS

ENGLAND (Zaiz): F Liv-Iri; A Lon-Den; F Nth C A Lon-Den; F Den-Hel.

FRANCE (Schembari): F Mid holds; A Bel-Ruh; A Bur holds.

GERMANY (Jordan): F Hol-Bel; F Bal-Kie; A Liv-St.P; A War S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Gal-Ukr; A Mun-Bur.

ITALY (Swinger): F Por-Mid; F Spa(s.c.) S F Por-Mid; A Mar S GERMAN A Mun-Bur; A Ruh-Bel; F Ven-Adr; F Ion-Eas.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Kline): A Gal-Ukr; A Rum-Sev; A Mos S A Rum-Sev; A Bud S A Ser; A Ser S F Alb-Gre; F Alb-Gre.

RUSSIA (Bowen): F Swe-Bal; A Ukr-Rum; A Sev & F Bla S A Ukr-Rum.

TURKEY (Hardiman): F Smy-Eas; F Aeg & A Bul S A Gre; A Con S A Bul; A Gre S A Bul.

Underlined moves are not possible. France must retreat A Bur-Pic, -Par, or -Gas and F Mid-Eng, -Bre, -Gas, -Nat, -Wes, or -Naf. The directions of these retreats should be phoned in to the Gamesmaster AT ONCE and I will pass them on to the other players. The deadline for "Fall 1904" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984. Press releases appear on page 10.

1983AJ

THE EAST IS LEAST

"Spring 1905"

The Turkish unit removed in "Winter 1904" was A Ank, not F Ank.

ENGLAND (J. Baker): F Iri-Mid; F Nat S F Iri-Mid; A Bre S A Pic; A Pic & F Eng S A Bre; F Nth S F Eng; A St.P-Liv.

FRANCE (Jordan): A Gas S A Par; A Mar-Bur; A Par S A Mar-Bur; F Mid holds.

GERMANY (Ripper): A Gal-Ukr; A Mos S A Gal-Ukr; A Ruh-Bur; A Mun S A Ruh-Bur; A Sil S A Boh; A Boh, F Bel & F Kie hold.

ITALY (Ezzio): F Smy holds; F Naf & F Wes S FRENCH F Mid; F Nap-Tyr; A Pie S A Tyr; A Tyr S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Vie.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Rusnak): A Bul-Ser; A Vie-Gal; A Rum & A Bud S A Vie-Gal; A Sev-Ukr; F Con-Bla.

TURKEY (Greene): F Syr holds.

Underlined moves are not possible. The deadline for "Fall 1905" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984. A draw has been proposed, and players should send in their votes with their "Fall 1905" moves.

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

Kevin Stone writes that, as of 22 January 1984, his address will be Box 671, Grove City College, Grove City, Penn. 16127. Players in 1982P & 1983CW take note.

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Russ Rusnak writes that he is organizing an across-the-board game of Diplomacy at his home on Saturday 28 January, "and a number of people will be coming in on 1/27 just to sit, drink, and bullshit." His address is 8002 S. Nagle, Burbank, Ill. 60459, and his phone number is 312-598-4708. Give him a call if you're interested.

1983HF (continued from p. 6)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Brawner): A Mun-Kie; A Tyr-Mun; A Ser-Bul; F Gre S A Ser-Bul; F Alb-Ion; A Bud-Rum.

RUSSIA (London): A Ukr-Sev; A Mos S A Ukr-Sev; F Bul(e.c.)-Bla; A Ber-Kie.

TURKEY (Schembari): F Smy-Aeg; A Con-Bul; F Bla S A Sev-Rum; A Sev-Rum.

Underlined moves are not possible. Turkey retreats A Sev-Arm and Russia retreats A Ber-Pru or -Sil. The Russian F Bul is annihilated. England has 2 builds, Germany Italy, Austria-Hungary, and Russia each has 1, and France and Turkey each has 1 removal. The deadline for these "Winter 1902" retreats, removals, and builds is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984. Stand-by orders for France should be sent in by Chris Downs, whose address appears on p. 12. Russia loses St.P to England and Bul to Austria, but gets Sev from Turkey. France loses Bel to England and Mar to Italy, but acquires Spa. Builds and removals may be made conditional on the direction of the Russian retreat.

WHAT IS TRUTH?

In recent months, the chronic disposition of the media to call into question the deeds of our Empire's leaders has become a veritable firestorm. Naturally, the government of the Great Big United States of America is dealing with this flurry of criticism as it deserves. Defending the news blackout on the recent war with Grenada, Secretary of State Shultz asserted that reporters were not on our side, but always against us. (New York Times, 23 December 1983) Specifically, Admiral James D. Watkins, chief of naval operations in the American conquest of Grenada, "publicly berated Richard Munro, president of Time, Inc., because Time printed a color photograph of a dead helicopter pilot lying in a pool of blood on a Grenadan beach." (New York Daily News, 16 November 1983) Clearly, the government of the Great Big United States of America has about reached the limits of its patience with the media, and will shortly begin to order them to shape up or shut up.

Americans, and all people, have to realize that truth is not something left to them to decide. Truth is what the government of the Great Big United States of America says it is. This is particularly, and overwhelmingly, true, when the spokesman is His Excellency the President, Commander-in-Chief, Alpha Male, and Supreme War Leader. Incredible as it may seem, certain willful newspaper columnists have actually been accusing Ronald Reagan, holder of this awesomely high office, of lying!

Lars-Erik Nelson began it about a month ago, after the President spoke before a meeting of winners of the Medal of Honor. He told the story of a World War II bomber pilot who rode his shot-up plane to destruction rather than bail out and desert a badly wounded crewman. The pilot was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor. Nelson actually had the disloyal effrontery to claim that no such incident had ever happened!

It should be emphatically pointed out that the President, Commander-in-Chief, Alpha Male, and Supreme War Leader is not just another politician or retired actor. When He speaks, all America is spoken for. His words are truth. He is not President because He is right. He is reight because He is President. If the search of the records of over 400 World War II winners of the Medal of Honor do not reveal any such story, it is the records and not the President who is in error. Loyal Americans need only to write up this case, as they have received it from the lips of this august Personage, and insert it into the obviously defective War Department records.

In the New York Times of 20 December 1983, Mark Green and Gail McColl joined the small-minded attack on our Leader. They have the insolence to claim that President Reagan lies when He says "that Trident missiles are recallable, that Leonid I. Brezhnev invented the nuclear freeze idea, that sex education leads to venereal disease and that there's more oil in Alaska than Saudi Arabia." Loyal Americans do not at this point correct their President, Commander-in-Chief, Alpha Male, and Supreme War Leader. They instead alter various history books, psychology texts, and geological reports, to bring them into conformity with the Source of Truth. This question is unanswerable: If you do not believe President Reagan, then what nation's leader do you believe? Russia's? Syria's? Nicaragua's? Grenada's?

It is not our President that makes mistakes, but reporters, scholars, and other people who have difficulty accepting His rule. Did President Reagan claim that President Colidge's tax cuts increase tax revenues? Then economic historians who say the contrary are lying. If President Reagan says that it costs the Department of Health and Human Services \$3 to deliver \$1 worth of services, then bureaucrats who set the cost at a mere 12¢ instead are lying, certainly making trouble, and possibly disloyal to His rule.

During the First Americo-Vietnamese War, we saw the sad and sorry fate of those who called our Presidents liars. Some were shot. Some were chased into exile. Some went to prison. Some were beaten up in the streets by loyal Americans for whom the beginning and ending of proper conduct is doing the President's Will and believing His words. If these strike you as pleasant fates, then join Nelson, Green, and McColl in questioning the President's words. But if you want to live peacefully, then you better accept everything that is thought, said, and done by our President, Commander-in-Chief, Alpha Male, and Supreme War Leader.

1983IE - LATE PRESS RELEASES

BERLIN to PARIS: No hard feelings, Paul - I just thought your record of 1st turn stabs to long to ignore.

BERLIN to WORLD: Destroy Bonaparte before he destroys you!

MUNICH (Deutschland Agency for Military News): The Imperial Staff announced today that a French invasion had been thwarted, and that our prompt counter-offensive has the perfidious Gauls reeling. All citizens join with the Kaiser in wishing the best for our fighting men.

1982CV - PRESS RELEASES

PARIS to WORLD: Peace at last. News at 10.

TUNIS: With the unopposed landing of the French 6th Fleet the forces of good, ie. French light blue, declare that their will be heard and democracy heeded throughout Europe.

1983AX - PRESS RELEASES

VENICE to MOSCOW: Please come through. Don't drag me over the coals on this because I'm really counting on you. Lord knows I've done what I could diplomatically. I hope it was enough.

NAPLES to CONSTANTINOPLE: What are your terms for peace? We surrender and want to be buddies. I attacked Austria didn't I?

ULM (DAMN): The Kaiser, in his address to the troops marching to support the Russian attack on Munich, predicted that the Italian tyranny would collapse in a year.

"This madman, this adventurer, Murray - thinks this ignoble upstart that his insane pretensions to Empire would be blithely ignored by the true royalty of Europe. It is to laugh! Our Imperial cousins will never desert us!"

1983CP (continued from p. 5)

ENGLAND: Edi, Liv. (2)

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

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mun, Nwy, Swe. (8)

ITALY: Nap, Rom, Tri, Tun, Ven. (5)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Vie. (1)

RUSSIA: Bud, Mos, Rum, St.P., Sev, War. (6)

TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Gre, Ser, Smy. (6)

Germany may build two new units, and Turkey and Italy may each build one. England and Austria-Hungary must each remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1903" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984.

PARIS to VENICE: It is a deal.

PARIS to ANKARA: Do you want to be on the winning side?

PITCHELENDE CITY, ALBANIA: The Italian military governor announced today that construction would begin soon on an otney orchard which, it is hoped, will supply the current Italian need for the fruit. "The orchard," said the governor, "will be located adjacent to the existing corrugated box works on the outskirts of town." The otneys will reportedly be soaked in oil and used as ball bearings in naval artillery.

1983AS - PRESS RELEASES

CENTRAL POWERS to WORLD: At the Second Tyrolian Conference the leaders of the CP have decided that Tunis' neutrality will not be violated. In a statement Kaiser Hans said "only if the security of Europa was at stake would Italy or Austria send forces to Tunis. This would be necessary since most certainly if the Shattered Alliance was able to gain control of Europa they would also try to control Afrika. Europa must be safe for the despots of the CP."

GERMANY to AUSTRIA: Now that Russia is out of the way maybe we should start looking at a way of containing those green units all over the board.

LONDON: That last remark from Kaiser von Kline (leader of the small) was not well taken in England. The people were so mad they demanded action be taken. Parliament agreed. That statement was cause for war.

THE GREAT ALL-STAR DIPLOMACY GAME

by Marc Hurwitz

XII - Jim Smith (Spring 1904)

I listen to the dull sounds of pornography over the morning paper. I can picture Manochi last night, listening and watching some obscene movie, his pot belly heaving, his scalp glistening through the bald patches of his hair. Unfortunately, he's stopped talking to himself. That means I'll have to outguess him.

At least I know the east will be confused. Johnson has finally persuaded Wills to stab Godowski. Those three will never come to terms. Macy confides to his wife regularly, bless him - he's in my pocket now.

I've got to destroy Manochi. How tough can it be? Once he's down, Germany and I will be able to crush the east, and in my game-winning stab Macy will be helpless.

But now... I've got fleets in Brest, Liverpool, and the North Atlantic. He's got armies in Wales and two fleets - Denmark and London. To defend Edinburgh, he'll have to move Wales to York. But.. he can't afford to move Lon-Wales, so I can move Liverpool to Wales, North Atlantic to Norwegian, and Brest to Eng. With Macy moving Skag to North Sea, Manochi will lose both Edinburgh and London in the fall. He'll be out in '05!

ENGLAND (Manochi): F Den-Kie; A Wal-Yor; F Lon-Wal.

FRANCE (Smith): F Liv-Wal; F NAT-Nrg; A Ruh S GERMAN A Kie; A Pie-Tyr; F Tre-Eng;
A Bur S GERMAN A Mun.

GERMANY (Macy): A Kie-Ber; A Mun S A Kie-Der; F Ska-Nth; F Hel-Kie.

ITALY (Johnson): A Ven-Apu; A Rom S A Ven-Apu; F Nap. S A Ven-Apu.

RUSSIA (Wills): A Sev-Rum; A Bul-Con; F Bla S A Bul-Con; A Vie-Tri; A Bud S A Vie-Tri;
A War-Gal; A Ber-Sil; F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy; A Swe-Ber; F Dal C A Swe-Ber; A Nwy-Swe.
Retreats A Bud-Vie.

TURKEY (Godowski): A Apu-Ven; A Tri-Bud; A Ser S A Tri-Bud; F Aeg-Bul(s.c.); F Con S
F Aeg-Bul(s.c.); F Ion-Gré; F Tun-Tyr. A Apu eliminated; retreats F Con-Ank.

Well, at least I thwarted Wills. I search my room for English bugs, and find none. I need some rum to lubricate my mind.

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

GRAUSTARK, the oldest publication for the postal play of Allan B. Calhamer's game Diplomacy, is published every third Saturday by John Boardman, 234 East 19th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. 11226. Games are open at a game fee of \$15, but I fear that later this year the increase in postal rates will force this fee to go up. The game fee includes a subscription to GRAUSTARK at no extra cost for as long as the game lasts, whether or not you are eliminated. With your game fee send in a list of the countries that you'd like to play, in your order of preference. If you do not yet have the rules of postal Diplomacy, which were last published in GRAUSTARK #437, send for it with your game fee.

Subscriptions for non-players are 9 issues for \$5.00. Back issues as available are 10 for \$1.50. Until the end of the present month, all issues from the beginning of 1982 will be available, but then the 1982 issues will be thrown out to save space.

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After carefully considering the answers to last week's poll, I have decided to continue the present three-week deadlines in GRAUSTARK. Most readers can meet this deadline without difficulty, and I have received many comments pleased about the speed with which the games move. I regret that this will affect some western players adversely, but most readers seem to be able to manage with the present deadlines.

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NEW GAME BEGINS

"Winter 1900"

A new postal Diplomacy game herewith begins, and Kathy Byrne has assigned it the Boardman number 1984B. Players should use this designation in correspondence with one another and with me. This list of country assignments is being mailed out just before New Year's, though the deadline for "Spring 1901" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY 1984. This will give players time to get acquainted with one another. The players are:

ENGLAND: John Schwartz, 3530 Henry Hudson Parkway, Bronx, N. Y. 10463; 212-549-5279 or 212-543-4319.

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GERMANY: Jim Goldman, 45 Hamilton Ave., Elmwood Park, N. J. 07407; 201-796-1557

ITALY: Larry Swift, P. O. Box 1182, Teaneck, N. J. 07666

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Douglas Clarke, 784 Main St., Lcominster, Mass. 01453; 617-534-6160

RUSSIA: Chris Downs, 742 Spring; Alton, Ill. 62002; 618-465-5687

TURKEY: Richard Willey, Box 486, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. 12601; 914-452-3369

Of the five players who gave choices of country, three got their first choices, one his second, and one his third. Any player in 1984B who does not yet have a copy of the postal rules for Diplomacy should write for one at once.

With this game it is a particular pleasure to welcome Jim Goldman back to postal Diplomacy. Jim was a player in the very first postal Diplomacy game, 1963A (not "1962A" as I misprinted in the last issue). The game was organized among him, two other members of the East Paterson Diplomacy Club, and two science-fiction fans, an Angeleno named Dave McDaniel and a Torontan named Derek Nelson. In those days the two countries left out in a 5-player game were Russia and Turkey, together with Rumania and Bulgaria. Jim Goldman played Germany in that game too; it was won by Nelson as Italy.

Much has changed since then. "East Paterson" has been renamed "Elmwood Park", as its suburbanites refuse identification with largely black Paterson. Fred Lerner, then a high-school senior and player of France in 1963A, now has a doctorate in library science, is a major authority on the bibliography of science fiction, and lives in the wilds of Vermont. McDaniel, who played Austria-Hungary, went on to write Man from UNCLE scripts as "Ted Johnstone" and is now dead. Nelson, a transplanted Ulster Prod, lost contact with s-f and war-gaming fandoms years ago. Stuart Keshner, who played England, has also dropped out of the hobby.

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"If it takes a bloodbath,
then let's get it over with."

- Ronald Reagan