

my grandmother was a minor Washington mystic who in 1911 prophesied the exact date when World War I would start: June 28, 1914 but it had been too much for him! He never got to enjoy the fruit of his labor because they had to put him away in 1913 and he spent seventeen years in the state insane asylum believing he was a child and it was actually May 3, 1872.."

Quotation of the Day
 "In contrast to the situation in the past, there is no credible evidence to suggest that violence against civilians is now even tacit Government policy." — State Department human rights report's section on El Salvador. [A1:5.]

GRAUSTARK

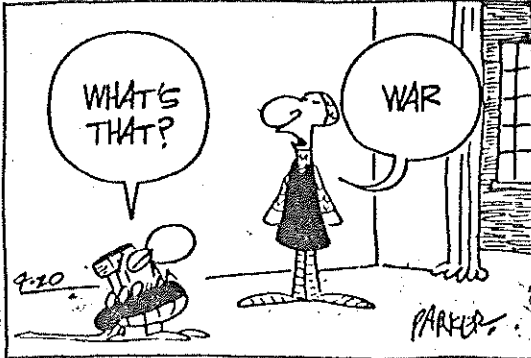
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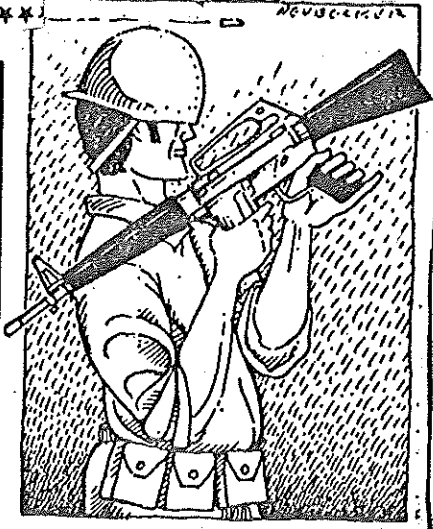
Live from Bitburg, it's President Reagan

Getting Around: What to do for an encore after you've interviewed the Shah of Iran? Well, David Frost left L.A. today for London, where he'll put a few questions to Miss Piggy and Kermit the Frog for *The American Movie Awards Show*, airing Feb. 11 on NBC.

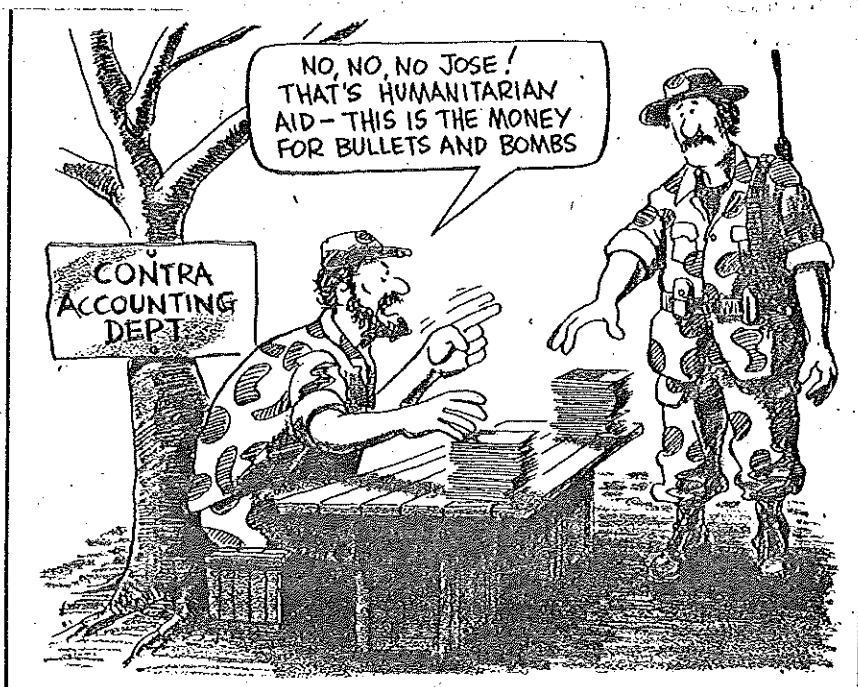
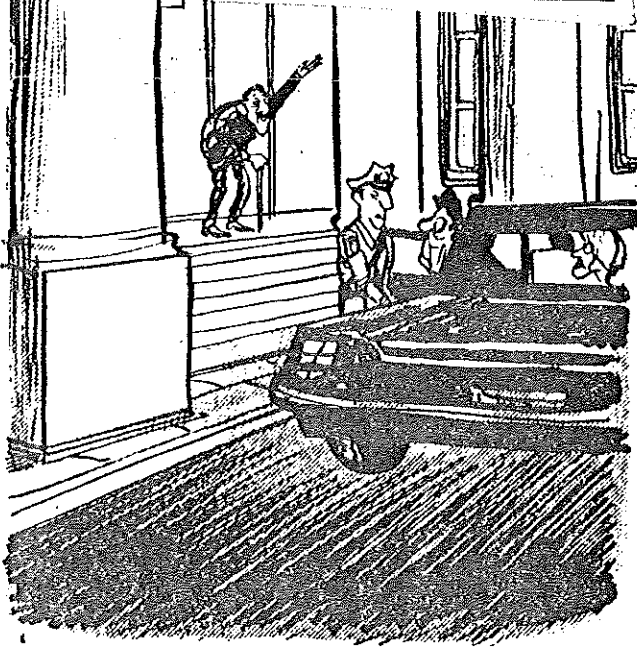
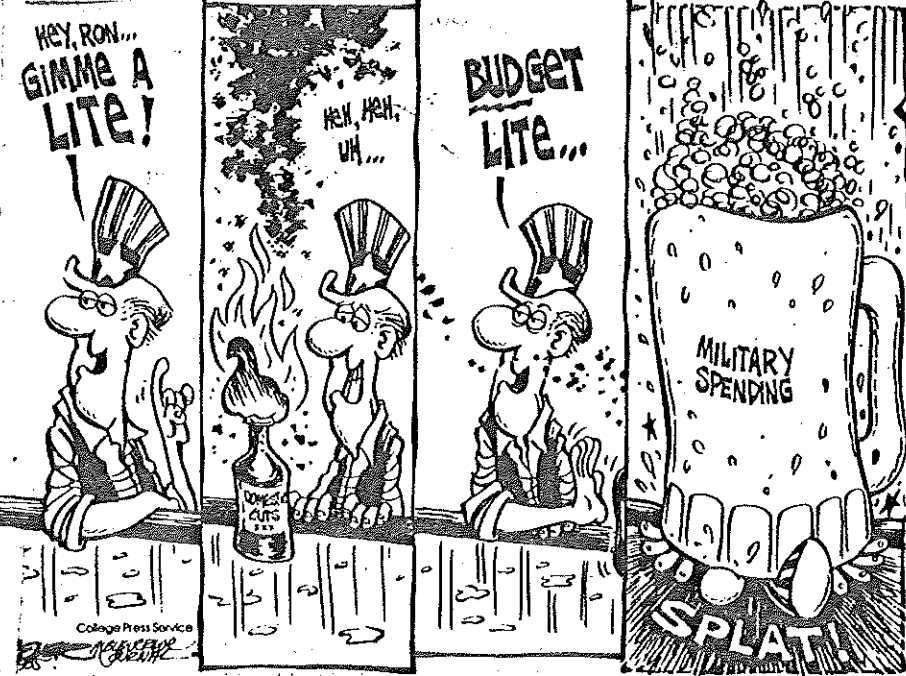


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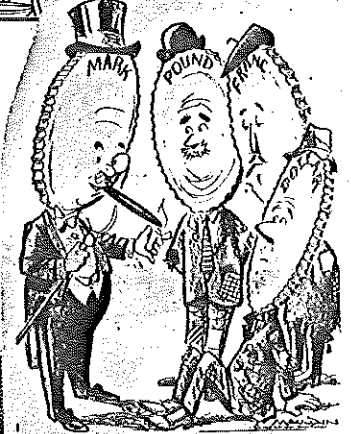
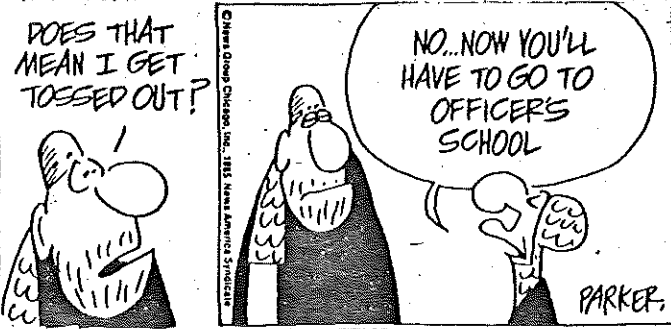
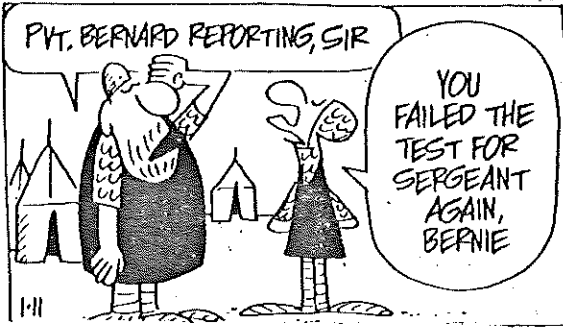
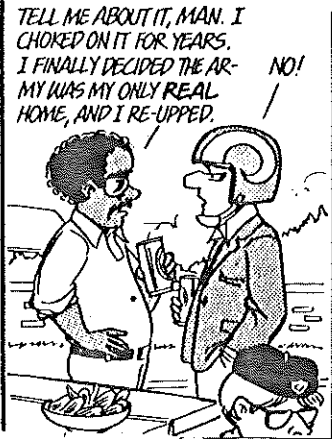
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 Madame Ngo Dinh Nhu
 Saigon
 August 7, 1963



The Warriors of Egypt

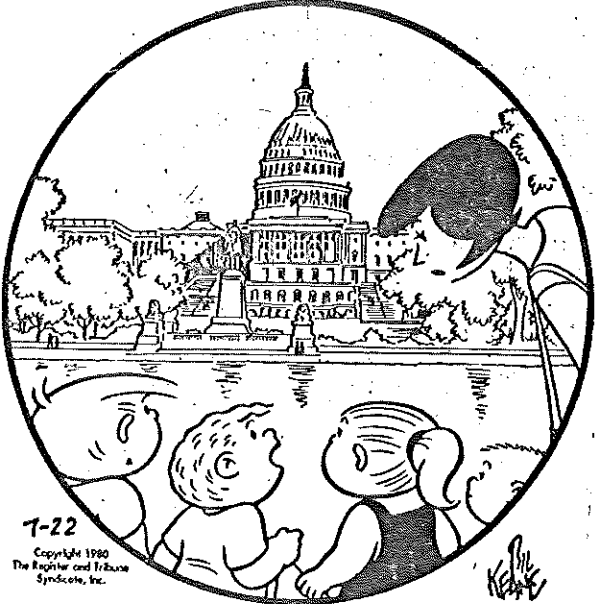


"Oh, him! Some old guy called Adolf — says he's come all the way from South America to welcome you back."



THE FAMILY CIRCUS.

By Bil Keane



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"Can we go in there and see if our senators are doin' any work?"

Por favor,
La ultima persona
que salga de Cuba,
que apague las luces

"The formula, gentlemen, is to work hard and to lose a war occasionally—but you must pick your enemies carefully"

Capitol Hill
Was Kept in Dark



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DESI

ENGLISH WIN WAR!

ENGLAND (Chafetz): F Tyr-Rom; F Lyo-Tus; F Wes & F HAF S A Tun; A Mar-Pie; F Mid-Spa (s.c.); A Bur & A Ruh S A Mun; A Mun, F Bot & A Tun hold; A War-Mos; A St.P & A Liv S A War-Mos; F Hth-Eng; A Den-Ber; F Bal C A Den-Ber.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Stewart): A Gal-War; A Ukr & A Sil S A Gal-War; A Mos holds; F Nap holds; A Sev S A Mos; A Ven-Pic; A Tyr S A Ven-Pie; A Tus S A Ven-Pie; A Boh-Mun; F Adr-Apu.

TURKEY (Scembari): F Ion-Tyr; F Eas-Ion; F Aeg S F Eas-Ion; A Con & A Gre hold.

Underlined moves are not possible.

The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Ber, Bro, Dep, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Mar, Mos, Mun, Nwy, Par, Por, Rom, St.P, Spa, Swe, Tun. (20)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Nap, Rum, Ser, Sev, Tri, Ven, Vie, War. (9)

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

England has therefore won. The supply center chart is shown below. An asterisk represents a supply center for which, for some reason, a unit was not built.

	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11
E	3	4	6	9	11	11	11	14	16	17	17	20
F	3	5	4	3	1	1	1	1				
G	3	5	4									
I	3	4	5	4	4	4	4	2	2	1	1	
A	3	6	8	11	13*	15	14	12	10	11	11	9
R	4	5	4	3	1							
T	3	4	3	4	4	3	4	5	5*	5	5	5

1983HF - John Boardman, GRAUSTARK

E - Mark Follmer (dro F05)

Lawrence Chafetz (won F11)

F - Greg Baker (dro S05)

Bob Lipton (out S09)

G - John Quarto (out F03)

I - Jeffrey Scharf (dro S03)

Ron Galicia (dro S09)

Dave Schwartz (out S11)

A - Jack Brawner (dro S08)

Alan Stewart

R - Ted London (out F05)

T - Nunzio Paul Schembari

This is the 5th of the 8 1983 games to be completed. This England's 12th victory in a GRAUSTARK game, leaving it second only to Russia with 14. This is Lawrence Chafetz's second GRAUSTARK victory; the first was as Germany in 1979HI. He has also participated in three draws. Players and other readers are invited

to send in their reviews of this game, which will be printed in future issues. Players should check the list below to see whether their subscriptions have expired.

LONDON: Peace At Last.

VIENNA: 18 of 19, sure. Let's see you make it 20. I dare you.

CONSTANTINOPLE: Congratulations England!

WHEN DO YOU EXPIRE?

The subscriptions of the following GRAUSTARK readers expire with the indicated issues.

500: Charles Kaplan

Mike Levine

509: Greg Baker

Jack Brawner

Mark Follmer

John Quarto

509: Jeffrey Scharf

513: Chris Carrier

Don Del Grande

515: Kenneth L. Poel

517: W. Elmer Hinton

Jeffrey L. Hoffman

517: Thomas E. Johnson

519: Ralph L. Morton

Eric Verheiden

529: Gerry Thompson

John M. Weswig

533: Barry Swift

New games of postal Diplomacy in GRAUSTARK are available at a game fee of \$20. This game fee includes a subscription to GRAUSTARK as long as the game lasts, whether or not you are eliminated. With your entry fee send a list of the countries that you'd like to play, in your order of preference. Back issues are 10 for \$2 as available; all from the beginning of 1984 are available. Subscriptions for non-players are 9 issues for \$6.

1984AY

RUSSIA RULES THE WAVES

As the supply center chart below shows, John Quarto's win as Russia in this game came so fast that I was unprepared for it, and did not reserve the front page of GRAUSTARK #508 according to my usual custom to report on it. But Quarto picked up no fewer than six supply centers on the last turn, winning with the following distribution:

ENGLAND: Por. (1)

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

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Nap, Rom, Tri, Ven, Vie. (6)

RUSSIA: Ank, Ber, Bul, Con, Den, Edi, Gre, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Mos, Mun, Nwy, Run, St.P, Ser, Sev, Smy, Swe, War (21)

This is John Quarto's first win in a GRAUSTARK postal Diplomacy game, and only the second GRAUSTARK game in which he entered. (In the first, 1983HF, he was eliminated in Fall 1903, thus qualifying for a free entry in this one.) In the supply center

chart to the right, an asterisk indicates a supply center for which a unit was not built. This is the 14th GRAUSTARK regulation game which Russia has won; England, whose victory in 1983HF is recounted on p. 3, is second in number of GRAUSTARK wins with 12. And this is the first to be ended of the six GRAUSTARK games begun in 1984. The last two press releases, and the first game review, appear below. Other players are also invited to send in their reviews of this game.

ST. PETERSBURG: How sweet it is!

LONDON under the gun: Another fine mess someone else has gotten me into!

1984AY Post-Game Report

by March Hurwitz, France

The very first odd thing about this game was my assignment to play France. It meant that another oddball like myself listed Germany as a first choice. This was the first time that had happened, and Mike Taylor was the oddball.

Taylor did not negotiate much, so Mike Levine & I quickly formed an alliance to blitz him. Simultaneously, Chris Downs was too clever by half. He attempted to start a Franco-Italian war. I had no interest in such as it would benefit Chris far more than me. However, he convinced Kaplan (Italy) to attack me immediately. Thus the end of '01 saw the French in Munich and the Italians in Marseilles.

Chris's stab of Italy in '02 saved me, but the resultant stalemate revealed Downs's poor timing. Meanwhile I had to return Munich to the Germans and an Anglo-French vs. Russo-German stalemate resulted.

1903 and 1904 saw a de facto Russian-German-Austrian alliance. Turkey was eliminated. Germany was stalemated by Levine & myself, and refused to negotiate. Italy and Austria likewise stalemated each other.

In late '04 I begged Russia to stab Austria & Germany. I said that I'd support him in getting a win. I also managed to get Levine to agree to this. At this point I figured if the RGA alliance held, I wouldn't survive the game. Also, Quarto might make mistakes, allowing me to gain some momentum.

Downs was upset that I didn't ask him to stab the others and offer him a win. Clearly, he lacks the ability to perform whole-board analysis. As long as Kaplan (Italy) was fanatically "punishing" Downs (Austria) for the Austrian stab, any change in direction by Downs would result only in his rapid destruction and the enlargement

1984AY - John Boardman, GRAUSTARK

E - Mike Levine (dro S05)

Terry Tallman

F - Marc Hurwitz

G - Michael Taylor (res F05)

Jon Bennet

I - Charles Kaplan (out F05)

A - Chris Downs (dro F05)

Michael Quirk

R - John C. Quarto (won F06)

T - Barry Swift (out F04)

	00	01	02	03	04	05	06
E	3	4	4	3	3	2	1
F	3	5**	4	5	5	6	6
G	3	4	5	5	6*	3	
I	3	5	4	3	2		
A	3	5	7	7	7	8*	6
R	4	6	7	10	11	15	21
T	3	4	3	1			

of Italy. The reason I didn't make him the offer was I didn't think he'd be stupid enough to take me up on it.

Quarto, alas, was a master of timing. He stabbed when he was ready, not at my urging. This game is a classic quick Russian win, and I applaud John on his excellent play. I wish Taylor has made some serious offers, and I'm disappointed in both him and Downs for bailing out. My thanks to Quirk & Bennett for performing yeoman service as stand-bys, allowing Quarto to savor the full flavor of his well-deserved victory.

PRESS RELEASES

1984ID

VIENNA to World: Lasts months title "Italy Gets Stabbed" is a misstatement. Italy has slowly been turning the knife in the back of Austria Hungary since taking over Trieste on the first turn of the game!! Or is that blackmail? Remember, A-H has never attacked Italy's home areas.

MUNICH: The Kaiser today expressed concern over the presence in Silesia of a large number of Russian soldiers & announced that an army had been dispatched to Warsaw to investigate.

GERMANY to FRANCE: Please, can I keep Belgium. Pleeeyuz!

1985AG

ST. PETERSBURG (RNN - Reliable Russian News): Ansel I became Tsar-Autocrat of All the Russias today following the murder of his 32nd cousin, Tsar Nikolai II. Tsar Ansel's first official act was to personally execute the assassin, an obscure little revolutionarynamed Lenin. The new Tsar moved quickly to prevent further subversive activity, promising free elections as soon as each peasant learned to play a musical instrument.

At his first state dinner, Tsar Ansel was heard to complain bitterly about the seating arrangements which left him isolated at the far western end of the table while the foreign ambassadors were huddled close together at the eastern end. He further lamented that all were strangers to him but seemed mostly well-acquainted with each other. The dinner was otherwise a success, though some observers were appalled at the behavior of the German ambassador, who appropriated three entire dishes for himself right under the noses of the French and English diplomats.

After dinner, the Tsar was observed in private conversation with several of the ambassadors. This reporter attempted to overhear the conversation but caught only snatches:

French Ambassador: "...crush Germany ...crush Germany ...crush Germany"

English Ambassador: "Who does he think he is? ...Belgium ... Belgium!"

Austrian, Italian, and Turkish Ambassadors: Nothing of these conversations was heard, although it was noted that each diplomat appeared pleased afterward.

German Ambassador: Nothing was heard, the conversation being extremely brief. However, the Tsar did appear visibly impressed with the German automatic message editing and printing system, so much so that he ordered one immediately for use in all future Russian diplomatic correspondence.

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

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1984HB

LONDON to ST. PETERSBURG: Thanks, I'll need all the luck I can get.

ITALY to World: Sorry about NMR. I was seeing a shrink concerning my erratic behavioral patterns...

1985L

LONDON to Atlas Makers Every Where: The government of England gratefully acknowledges the work by the government of France to have the "channel" properly recognized as the "Trench Channel" as it should have been all along. Seeing how it appears that the French government is interested in correcting past historical mistakes we would like the French units to remove them self from France as by the marriage of Henry V to Catherine daughter of Charles VI king of France making Henry VI king of France, England does claim all France. All residents of France displeased with this should send their letter to

Complaints Department
Nowheresvill

Remember to use English postal stamps as the illegal French stamps will no longer be accepted. (Ha, Ha, Just kidding)"

LONDON: The parlement of England does hear by give 2 pounds to the acme boat building company to build an English fleet in Edi.

PARIS: It is assumed that the only reason for Germans visiting Burgandy is that they were tired of drinking beer and wanted a taste of some good French Bordeaux. An Army in Paris and Marseilles should convince the Germans to leave before the French develop a taste for some German Rhine Wine. - General "Pass the Carafe" Chevalier

MOSCOW to ANKARA: You don't live in a beautiful place,

And you don't dress with the best of taste,

And nature didn't give you such a beautiful face,

But...er, but... Gee, I can't think of anything. Sorry.

1983IE

AN OPEN LETTER TO PAUL RAUTERBERG: Dear Paul,

Congratulations on a long defense. It was inspiring. I eagerly await your post-mortem in which you will point out everyone else's failings; it seems fair that your own bad luck & misjudgements be revealed to you.

In the beginning, Bragdon attempted to form a blitz vs you. Your announcement to me that you'd move A Par-Gas in '01 convinced me to attack you - as you were either a fool or a liar. An experienced player like yourself would hardly go all out vs. Spain the first year, or any year, Spain not being a player, Paul. Also, you told both Bragdon & the 1st England two other stories.

Bragdon & Wiencek then both tried to get me to commit to stabbing the other after your fall. I waffled, which Bragdon interpreted as having gone over to Wiencek's side. That's why he supported you to stall us while he digested Turkey & Austria. Actually, I had just decided to support him when he made my decision for me.

After '02, your press was uniformly bitter & wrong in its predictions, but all is forgiven now. In the spirit of post-game reconciliation, I shan't dwell on this but merely suggest you re-read your old press. I enjoyed feuding with you, and hope that next game we can work together. - Marc Hurwitz

BALTIMORE, USA (DAMN): It was announced today that three weeks ago Premier Bragdoni & Kaiser Mark met secretly at an American university to discuss the possibility of restoring peace to war-torn Europe. The visit was sponsored by President Taft of the United States.

The proposal for a general conference made by Prime Minister Verheiden of England was discussed, but the Italians refused, insisting on the complete destruction of the Ottoman Empire and its absorption by Italy, as well as the final extinction of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

Bragdoni insisted, however, he was not interested in world-domination, however, but refused offers of a cease-fire in France.

As a result of the failed conference, the Kaiser, after conferring with the British Government, decided that only the most massive offensive of the war, 3 armies & two fleets, on the Western front could bring Bragdon back to the table in good faith.

Asked if he would characterize the Italian ruler as obstinate, deceitful, and callous, Kaiser Mark replied, "I make it a general rule never to say bad things about other rulers, so I will never say publicly that Bragdoni is mulish, treacherous, and uncaring of the millions of tragedies his war is causing."

The British fleet having scoured the Atlantic of Italian pirates, the Kaiser enjoyed his return trip aboard the Imperial Yacht Thursday Child. The Preimer returned to Italy via Arlington, where he has American relatives.

The meeting was held at the Towson University. Towson, like Owings Mills, Arlington, Washington, and Philadelphia, is a suburb of the American metropolis of Baltimore.

1984V

"Winter 1907"

Following "Fall 1907" orders, Sweden remained a German supply center. Russia therefore has no supply centers and is out of the game. Germany has a build.

ENGLAND (Tallman): Builds F Lon, F Liv. AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Manna): Builds F Tri, A Vie.
 FRANCE (Drakert): Removes F Mid.
 GERMANY (Gaughan): Builds A Mun. RUSSIA (Kutta): Removes F Ska, F Livonia.
 ITALY (Sims): Builds F Nap. TURKEY (Verheiden): Removes F Tun.

The deadline for "Spring 1908" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985.

1984IC

"Winter 1903"

The Italian move listed in the last issue as "F Tyr-Ion" was actually "F Tyr-Tun". The Italian "F Nap-Ion" therefore also succeeds.

FRANCE (Chafetz): Removes A Pie. RUSSIA (Schembari): Builds A War, A Mos.
 GERMANY (Manna): Builds F Kie. TURKEY (Quirk): Removes A Alb, F Ion.

The deadline for "Spring 1904" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985. There is a press release on p. 12. Michael Quirk is now playing Turkey.

1985L

"Spring 1902"

GARBLED DESPATCHES OR NONE

ENGLAND (Bennett): A Liv-Yor; "F Ed-NS"((sic)); "F NS-Ska"((sic)); "F Nor-St.Pete"((sic)). (See Rule VII.7).

FRANCE (Dawson): A Spa & A Bel hold; A Mar-Gas; A Par-Bur; F Eng S A Bel.

GERMANY (Schembari): A Bur-Bel; A Hol S A Bur-Bel; A Kie-Ruh; F Swe-Den; A Mun-Bur.

ITALY (Jordan): A Tyr-Boh; A Ven-Tyr; F Nap-Apu; F Tun-Ion; A Ser S TURKISH A Bul-Rum.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Hardiman): No moves received. A Vie, A Bud, F Tri & A War hold.

RUSSIA (Cameron): F Bal-Sve; A Fin-St.P; A Ukr-Gal.

TURKEY (McCarthy): A Bul-Rum; F Con-Bla; A Arm-Sev.

Underlined moves are not possible. The deadline for "Fall 1902" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985. Stand-by moves for Austria-Hungary should be sent in by Marc Hurwitz, P. O. Box 191, Owings Mills, Md. 21117; 301-363-6303. A press release appears on p. 12; others are postponed to the next issue.

1983AS

"Winter 1911"

GERMANY (Jordan): Builds A Ber. AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Rauterberg): Builds A Tri.
 ITALY (Chafetz): Removes F Ven. TURKEY (Hardiman): No build received.

The deadline for "Spring 1912" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985. Stand-by moves for Turkey should be sent in by Thomas E. Johnson, whose address appears in the report of 1984ID.

1983IE

"Spring 1909"

ITALIANS ADVANCE IN EAST, STALL IN WEST

ENGLAND (Verheiden): F Swe-Bot; F Nat S F Mid; F Mid S GERMAN A Par-Gas; A Bre S GERMAN A Par-Gas; F Nth-Bel; F Eng S F Nth-Bel.

GERMANY (Hurwitz): A Mos S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Sev-Ukr; A War S A Mos; F Ska-Swe; A Bur-Mar; A Par-Gas; A Kie-Hol; A Mun-Tyr.

ITALY (Bragdon): A Tyr S RUSSIAN A Vie-Boh; A Tri-Bul; A Ser-Bul; F Aeg S A Ser-Bul; F Ion-Eas; F Bel-Eng; F Wes-Mid; F Por S F Wes-Mid; A Gas-Bur; A Pie holds; F Nap-Tyr.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Jordan): A Sev-Ukr.

RUSSIA (Chafetz): F Nwy-Nrg; A Fin-Swe; A St.P-Nwy; A Ukr-Mos; A Bul-Rum; A Vie-Boh.

TURKEY (D. Schwartz): F Con S A Smy; A Smy S F Con.

Underlined moves are not possible. Russia retreats A Ukr-Gal and Italy retreats F Bel-Pic. The deadline for "Fall 1909" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985. Dave Schwartz is now playing Turkey. The vote for a draw fails of unanimity, and is again submitted to the players. Press releases appears on p. 6; others are postponed.

1984HB

"Fall 1905"

THE RED RING CLOSES

ENGLAND (Martin): F Nth S A Den; F Sve S F Den; A Den S F Swe; F Nwy S F Swe; F Lon S F Nth.

FRANCE (Sims): A Yor-Edi; A Gas-Mar; A Par-Bur; F Mid-Spa(s.c.); F Nat-Nrg; F Eng-Nth.

GERMANY (Hurwitz): F Bal-Den; A Kie S F Bal-Den; F Hel-Nth; A Mun & A Hol hold.

ITALY (Budway): No moves received; A Mar, F Tus, F Tun & F Wes hold.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Manna): A St.P holds; F Ven-Apu; A Tyr-Ven; A Sev-Arm; A Smy S A Sev-Arm; F Eas S A Smy; A Ser-Bul; A Rum & F Gre S A Ser-Bul.

RUSSIA (Verheiden): A Fin-St.P.

TURKEY (Quirk): A Bul-Gre; F Aeg-Smy; F Ank holds; A Con S F Aeg-Smy.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Turkish A Bul is dislodged and annihilated. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Den, Lon, Nwy, Swe. (4)	AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Bul, Gre, Mos, Rum, Ser, St.P, Sev, Smy, Tri, Ven, Vie, War. (13)
FRANCE: Bre, Edi, Liv, Par, Por, Spa. (6)	TURKEY: Ank, Con. (2)
GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Hol, Kie, Mun. (5)	ITALY: Mar, Nap, Rom, Tun. (4)

Austria-Hungary may build 3 new units; a fourth cannot be built for lack of a home supply center. Turkey and England must each remove one unit. These Winter 1905" orders should be sent in by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL, so that they arrive by FRIDAY 26 JULY 1985. All players will be informed including the stand-by. The deadline for "Spring 1906" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985. Stand-by moves for Italy should be sent in by Paul Rauterberg, 4922 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, Wisc. 53208; 414-778-0750. A proposal for a concession to Austria-Hungary is submitted to all players including the stand-by for a vote, with the next orders. Some press releases appear on page 5; others are postponed to the next issue.

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THE REIGN OF SENILIO THE GREAT - XXIX

The shifting military alliances of The Four And A Half Kingdoms, which are continually being broken and re-formed, have made these small nations of the Balkan Massif a problem for historians. Indeed, during the last century much business of betting on these alliances has been done on the Grand Ducal Bourse in Wogastisburg-Schlampenbüttel.

During the reign of Senilio the Great, who ascended the throne of the Temporary Roman Empire in 1381 at the age of 97, the principal alliance system pitted the Temporary Roman Empire and the Pravoslavnician Patrimony of Polykarp against the Kingdom (now People's Republic) of Pundschruck and the Grand Duchy of Wogastisburg-Schlampenbüttel. As usual, the ancient matriarchy of Skandalutz stood aloof from these alliances, although always willing to sell either the priestesses' expertise in the healing arts at a high price.

The alliance between the Polykarpian worshippers of the Holy Quaternity and the Pagans of the Temporary Roman Empire was under considerable ideological strain. This rose in part from the Empire's state religion of Syncretic Polytheism, which made its citizens uncomfortable about the religious intolerance of the Polykarpian. However, the most important stress came from memories of the events of a generation before, when the Patriarch Adolphus had led the armies of the Patrimony in a nearly successful attempt to conquer the rest of The Four And A Half Kingdoms and impose an intolerant religious dictatorship on as much of Europe as he could conquer. Only the concerted efforts of all the other tiny nations of the Balkan Massif had halted this campaign of conquest, overthrown Adolphus, and forced the Polykarpian to install more moderate leadership.

The strains in the alliance, together with the increasing tensions with Pundschruck over the border district of El Slammador, indicated to Senilio the Great that he should make some gesture to confirm solidarity with the Polykarpian.

Accordingly, in 1385 the Emperor Senilio the Great journeyed to Polykarpolis, the capital of the theocracy, in order to lay a laurel wreath on the tomb of the Patriarch Adolphus. When this plan was announced, a totally unexpected turmoil of opposition ran through all The Four And A Half Kingdoms. In view of the international situation, it was to be expected that the Pundschrucki Prince Garbul, who had recently ascended to the throne as Mikhail IX, dismissed the visit as "Like calling unto like." The Grand Duke Gorboduc IV ceremonially dismissed Senilio the Great from his membership in the Knights of the Trapezoidal Table, the Grand Duchy's ancient order of nobility. But the protests quickly came home, as 35 veterans of the war against the Patriarch Adolphus assembled in the Circus Minimus and threw at the Emperor's Box the grass crowns they had received for valor in that war. Of these decorations, the highest within the gift of the Temporary Roman Empire, the Emperor said, "By now those crowns are hay. My horse Uncitatus has far to go to carry me to Polykarpolis, and these grass crowns will be very welcome to him." The Kingdom of Skandalutz, from which Adolphus had abducted over 100 priestesses to serve in military brothels, denied for five years the right of citizens of the Temporary Roman Empire to attend the Winter Solstice Festivals.

Undeterred by these critics, Senilio the Great did indeed journey to Polykarpolis and, before an immense crowd of Polykarpian veterans of the armies of Adolphus, crowned the tomb of their leader with a laurel wreath. According to the chroniclers of the time, a loud, gloating laugh burst forth at the instant that the wreath settled on the surface of the tomb. According to the 18th-century French Encyclopediast Denis Diderot, who cited the tale as an example of the superstition of previous ages, the voice of the Patriarch Adolphus sounded from the tomb, saying: "This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased!" Despite the fact that other chroniclers claimed he had drowned in his own blood five years earlier, Deacon Josephus Gregulus, once of the staff of Adolphus, is supposed to have come before the multitude and announced that this was a divine sign that Polykarpian should join in the Emperor Senilio's campaign to extirpate Pundschruck from the face of the earth. When the Emperor returned to his capital, he found that despite the protests he was more beloved than ever by the populus.

"Winter 1915-Spring 1916"

1982IM

NOT TONIGHT, NAPOLEON!

In "Winter 1915" France deferred the opportunity to build a unit.

FRANCE (Ferguson): F Nth-Illwy; F Bar S F Nth-Nwy; A Illwy-Fin; F Den-Bal; F Swe S F Den-Bal; F Ska-Den; A Bur-Mun; A Kie S A Bur-Mun; A Hol & A Ruh S A Kie; A Tus-Ven; A Pie S A Tus-Ven; F Ion holds; F Nap S F Apu; F Tyr S F Ion; F Apu S F Ion.

RUSSIA (Bragdon): F Bal-Bot; A Sil-Pru; A Mun holds; A Ber & A Boh S A Mun; A Tyr S TURKISH F Ven; A St.P-Fin; A Mos-St.P; A Liv S A Mos-St.P.

TURKEY (Chafetz): F Aeg-Ion; F Eas, F Gre & F Alb S F Aeg-Ion; F Con-Aeg; F Adr-Apu; A Tri S F Ven; F Ven S F Adr-Apu.

Underlined moves are not possible. France retreats F Ion-Tun. The deadline for "Fall 1916" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985. A vote on a draw is submitted to the players, and should be sent in with these moves.

1982IN

"Winter 1917"

ENGLAND (McCarthy): Builds A Lon. RUSSIA (La Rocco): Builds F Sev.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Drakert): Removes F Tyr, A Tus.

The deadline for "Spring 1918" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985. Jim McCarthy told me at Origins XI that a number of personal and business matters had all fallen in on him at once, preventing him from getting moves in, but that now he is able to get going in the games again.

RUSSIAN EASTERN ALLIED PRESS (REAP): There have been several reports over the last few days that Livonian women are being abducted by English troops who either swim to their shores to court them or who float in when it is dark and signal them from rowboats off shore, waiting for the women to swim out to them.

The government of the Russian people orders these practices halted at once.

This is a cleverly contrived mating attack by the English, but it will not work.

1983AJ - PRESS RELEASES

ROME: Lt. Dumchek, aide de camp of the Emperor of Austria-Hungary, explained the current Austria-Hungary, explained the current Austrian policy of irrationalism to the committee of twelve. "It's really quite simple. Let me give you an example. The Emperor proclaimed that France must go. Now history has shown that when one half of Austria's centers are lost, one-half of French centers are also lost. Therefore, when Austria is gone, France will be gone. Thus, the policy of irrationalism works. Let me tell you, it's all the rage.

ROME: My time in this game is up. I will contact the new player and inform him/her of the current diplomatic realities. It is my hope that there will be an orderly transition of power. So long, guys.

1984ID

"Winter 1903"

Following "Fall 1903" moves Russia removed the dislodged A Sev, and therefore has a build.

FRANCE (Gratto): Builds F Bre.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Brooks): Removes A Alb.

GERMANY (Cameron): Removes F Bot.

RUSSIA (Rauterberg): Builds A War.

ITALY (Stewart): Builds F Rom.

TURKEY (Hall): No builds received.

The deadline for "Spring 1904" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985. Press releases appear on p. 5. Standby moves for Turkey should be sent in by Thomas E. Johnson, 2 Chaucer Dr., Newark, Delaware 19713. Anthony Brooks's new address is 14043 Flairwood Dr., San Antonio, Texas 78233; 512-646-8645.

1935AG

"Fall 1901"

THE STEAMROLLER RIDES AGAIN

The French move incorrectly printed as "F Bre-Eng" in the last issue was actually "F Bre-Mid". The English and German players were informed. One of the following English moves is ambiguously written and therefore fails under Rule VII.4.

ENGLAND (Lack): F Nrg-Nor((sic)); F Nth-Bel; A Yor-Lon.

FRANCE (T. Goldman): A Bur-Bel; A Mar-Spa; F Mid-Por.

GERMANY (Drakert): A Ruh-Mun; A Kie-Den; F Hol S ENGLISH F Nth-Bel.

ITALY (Hoh): A Ven-Tri; A Tyr S RUSSIAN A Gal-Vie; F Ion-Tun.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Thornsen): A Tri-Bud; F Alb-Gre; A Ser S F Alb-Gre.

RUSSIA (D. Walker): F Bot-Swe; A Gal-Vie; A Ukr-Gal; F Rum S TURKISH F Con-Bul(a.c.).

TURKEY (J. Schwartz): A Bul-Gre; F Con-Bul(s.c.); A Ank holds.

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

ENGLAND: Bel, Edi, Liv, Lon. (4)

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

FRANCE: Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa. (5)

RUSSIA: Mos, Rum, St.P, Sev, Swe, Vie, War.

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

(7)

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

TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Smy. (4)

Russia may build three new units, Germany, France, and Italy may each build two, and Turkey and England may each build one. The deadline for these "Winter 1901" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985. Some press releases appear on p. 5; others have to be postponed to the next issue, and an important one appears below.

RUSSIA to the World: I will be in Montgomery, Alabama from 8 August through 8 October. My address will be: Capt. Dennis A. Walker, PSC#1, SOS Class 85-E, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama 36112. Mail not addressed exactly as above may not be delivered. I expect to have inordinate amounts of free time on my hands there so please do write.

1933AJ

"Winter 1914"

ENGLAND (J. Baker): Builds A Lon, A Liv. ITALY (Ezzio): Builds F Ven.

FRANCE (Jordan): Removes dislodged F Bre. AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Rusnak): Removes dislodged

GERMANY (Ripper): Reserves 2 builds. A Rum.

The deadline for "Spring 1915" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985. With these moves, David Ezzio resigns as Italy. He is succeeded by Edward J. Wrobel, 3932 N. Forestdale Ave., Dale City, Va. 22193. A press release appears elsewhere in this issue.

1934B

"Winter 1908"

ENGLAND (J. Schwartz): Removes F Nat.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Clarke): Builds A Vie.

GERMANY (J. Goldman): Builds A Ber.

The deadline for "Spring 1909" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1985.

BERLIN: In the midst of celebrations for our great victories in 1908, tragedy has struck Germany. While blessing out new army now marching to the southern front, our beloved "Kaiser Bill" expired.

In an unusual development, the Reichstag recognized Archduke Roland of Schleswig as successor to Wilhelm; in keeping with the former Kaiser's penchant for informality our new leader will be known as "Kaiser Rolls".

Prepare to wail, Ingratia!

ORIGINS XI: THE VANISHING TABLE

On the 29th and 30th of June, Robert Sacks and I ran an enjoyable but strange Diplomacy tournament at Origins XI on the campus of Towson State University in Maryland. Although nearly 150 people pre-registered for the tournament, only 93 showed up for the first day of play, and a mere 39 on the second day. Altogether there were 19 boards, 13 the first day and 6 the second. As you might expect, the standard of play was higher on the first day, and two boards actually went to wins. Dan MacKeigan's win as France gave him Best France, and a good showing the next day gave him First Prize with 36.0 points on the Sacks Scoring System. Craig Wickmann's win as Germany gave him Best Germany, but he faltered on the second day for a sixth-place finish. Second Prize with 29.8 points went to Frank Jones, while Jim Yerkey finished third with 29.4 points and also got Best Germany. All best of country awards went in the first day's play except for Best Austria-Hungary. Best England was James Townsend, who never showed up for the second day and still finished 12th over-all. Best Austria-Hungary was Darren Kadish, best Russia was Owen Riley, and Best Italy was Ed Tucker.

There was a little problem with Board 7 on Saturday. The players apparently decided among themselves on a draw, without consulting the judges, and then just packed up and left without turning in a score-sheet. Naturally, their play could not be included in the scoring. On the second day I was pressed into service, along with Dick Martin and Casey Lisse, to fill out the 6th board. I allied myself with Dick, whom I knew from GRAUSTARK to be a strong player. Unfortunately, the other players knew it too, and our Italo-Russian alliance was first blocked, and then defeated in detail, by a coalition animated by Marc Hurwitz. (Marc wound up as 4th-best Germany, and his ally Herman Higgins as 2nd-best Turkey.)

For a complete list of all scores, including the four best finishers as each country, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Robert Sacks, Apt. 5-V, 4861 Broadway, New York, N. Y. 10034. A more detailed report of Origins XI, including some game reviews and an account of the latest blow in the Christian campaign to ban Dungeons & Dragons, are in EMPIRE #214.

1985L - PRESS RELEASE

RUSSIA to AUSTRIA: Galicia is nine!

1984IC - PRESS RELEASE

BERLIN to ROME: As the puppet obeys, the bear cats turkey.

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