

# GRAUSTARK

#527

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1984V

"Spring 1915"

## STALEMATE?

ENGLAND (Brooks): A Nwy-St.P; F Fin & F Bar S A Nwy-St.P; F Swe-Bot; F Nth-Eng; F Mid-Wes; F Naf-Tun.

GERMANY (Gaughan): A Ruh-Bur; A Mar holds; A Pie-Tyr; A Ber S A Mun; A Kie-Ruh; A Mun S A Pir-Tyr; A Pru-Liv.

ITALY (Sims): F Tyr-Tun; F Lyo-Tyr; F Spa(s.c.)-Lyo; "A Nap-Sicily".

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Manna): No moves received. F Eas, F Aeg, F Gre, F Ion, A Apu, A Rom, A Tri, F Ven, A Vie, A Boh, A Sil, A War, A Livonia & A Mos hold; A St.P & A Tyr dislodged and annihilated.

Underlined moves are not possible. The deadline for "Fall 1915" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986. A press release appears on page 6.

The Austro-Hungarian player has had an excellent record of getting his moves in on time, and I'm not sure what happened this turn. The announcement that "Spring 1915" moves were due today appeared on p. 5 of #525, and again on p. 12 of #526. I have been unable to reach anyone at his phone number. I am not going to call on a stand-by for this position.

The vote for a draw fails of unanimity, and is again submitted to the players. Votes for or against this proposal should be sent in with the "Fall 1915" orders.

## WHEN DO YOU EXPIRE?

It is fairly obvious that postal Diplomacy games 1984V and 1985L may soon end. A number after your name indicates that your subscription will run for that many

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1986AF

"Fall 1902"

## WHAT DO YOU DO, JUST BEFORE THANKSGIVING?

ENGLAND (La Rocco): F Nwy-St.P(n.c.); F Iri-Eng; F Bel S F Iri-Eng; F Hol & F Nth S F Bel.

FRANCE (Schembari): F Mid-Eng; F Spa(s.c.)-Mid; A Gas-Bre; A Bur-Bel; A Pic S A Bur-Bel.

GERMANY (Hurwitz): A War & F Swe hold; A Mun S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Vie-Tyr; A Ruh S A Mun.

ITALY (Rosen): A Tun-Con; F Ion & F Aeg C A Tun-Con; A Tyr S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Vie-Boh.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Brennick): A Vie-Boh; F Gre S ITALIAN F Aeg; A Bul S ITALIAN A Tun-Con;

RUSSIA (McCarthy): A Ukr-War; A Mos-St.P; F Ank-Arm.

TURKEY (Bragdon): F Con-Ank; A Arm S F Con-Ank; F Eas-Smy; F Sev-Rum.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Russian A Ukr is dislodged and annihilated, and Russia retreats F Ank-Bla. The High Combatant powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Ecl, Edi, Hol, Liv, Lon, Nwy. (6)

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

GERMANY: Ber, Den, Kie, Mun, Swe, War. (6)

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

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Bul, Gre, Rum, Ser, Tri, Vie. (7)

RUSSIA: Mos, St.P. (2)

TURKEY: Ank, Sev, Smy. (3)

Germany may build two new units, and Italy, England, and Austria-Hungary may each build one. Russia also has a build if the dislodged F Ank is removed rather than retreated. Turkey must remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1902" orders is NOON,

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FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986.

Jim McCarthy is in the process of moving, and will therefore soon have a new address and phone number. These will be reported to the other players with the next issue of GRAUSTARK.

WHEN DO YOU EXPIRE? (continued from p. 1)

issues after the game ends.

1984V - Ron Galicia (23)  
Pete Gaughan  
Timothy Kutta  
Larry Sims  
Terry Tallman

1985L - Jon Bennett  
P. Howard Dawson  
Bill Hardiman

Other subscribers whose subscriptions will end with the indicated issue of GRAUSTARK are:

528 - Stephen Kwiatkowski  
529 - E. J. Baker  
Mark Franceschini  
530 - Chris Carrier  
Thomas Keegan  
531 - Don Del Grande  
532 - Ronald Meldrum  
Glenn M. Nelsen

533 - Jacques Belanger  
Barry Swift  
535 - Jeffrey Hoffman  
537 - Ralph L. Morton  
539 - Ted London  
Bruce Schneider  
546 - Eric Verheiden  
547 - Gerry Thompson  
John Weswig

If you are already a subscriber to GRAUSTARK when you sign up for a new postal Diplomacy game (see p. 11) your subscription will be extended beyond the end of the game for as many issues as you had coming when you joined the game.

Stand-by players should note that they must keep their subscriptions current. For example, suppose you are enrolled in postal Diplomacy game 1986QQ and also volunteer as a stand-by in 1986RR. When 1986QQ ends your subscription to GRAUSTARK will also end, and unless you join a new game as a paying player, or extend your subscription (10 issues for \$7) you will not get the issues in which play of 1986RR continues.

## THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

Diplomacy, a game based on the diplomatic and military maneuvering of the World War I period, was designed and published in 1959 by Allan B. Calhamer, and is now published by Avalon-Hill Inc. of Baltimore.

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As of present writing, six players have sent in entry fees for yet another postal Diplomacy game in GRAUSTARK. The first person to follow the instructions on p. 11 of this issue, and send in a \$20 game fee, will be enrolled in what will then be a full board. I will mail out the country assignment to the players, and set a "Spring 1901" deadline for NOON, FRIDAY 26 DECEMBER 1986. That will be the date of publication of GRAUSTARK #529, the issue after next. I like to give extra time, beyond the usual four-week time limit, for the important negotiations that go on at the beginning of a game.

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Today is also the publication date for my filksinging 'zine ANAKREON and the amateur press association through which it circulates, APA-Filk. This issue is a collection of yet more verses to that fine old Pagan hymn, "That Real Old-Time Religion". (Real Old-Time. You know: Thor, Odhin, Zeus, Dazhdbog, Ilmarinen, Apollo, etc., etc.)

## WAR DECLARED IN ALL DIRECTIONS

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

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

GERMANY (Kandara): A Mun-Ruh; A Ber-Kie; F Kie-Den.

ITALY (Plachta): A Ven-Pie; A Rom-Ven; F Nap-Ion.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Currie): A Bud-Ser; A Vie-Gal; F Tri-Alb.

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

TURKEY (Schenck): A Con-Bul; A Smy-Con; F Ank-Bla.

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GATES OF DEATH (TURKEY) to World: Today the Sultan of the Ottoman Empire unveiled the latest jewel in the imperial scimitar - THE GATES OF DEATH fortress on the Dardanelles. The new fort is armed with eight 11 inch Krupps B.L.R. in four barbettes and supported by 112 more guns of from 2 to 10 inch caliber, plus numerous machine guns in emplacements to resist marine landings. The whole complex, built at tremendous cost on the Gallipoli peninsula, has been compared to Germany's island fortress in the Helgoland Bight. This is understandable since the German Government has heavily subsidized the Turkish fortifications in order to stimulate her own domestic armaments industry. THE GATES OF DEATH fortress complements similar large scale projects on the Bosphorus, which is defended by no less than 140 guns of at least 2 inch caliber.

MAY I SEE YOUR PASSPORT PLEASE (Note: M.I.S.Y.P.P. is a monthly column in the Constantinople Crescent, and is reprinted here by permission. An unnamed official, high in the Byzantine bureaucracy, with especially close ties to the present Sultan, writes M.I.S.Y.P.P.): I was recently granted an exclusive interview with a high ranking official in the Ottoman Empire. This source, who must remain anonymous, told me that Turkish forces are oriented toward the defense. "We don't speculate undertaking any offensive missions," he said, "beyond operations of a strictly local character." He later admitted that military moves into neighboring Bulgaria had been contemplated but that these would be limited to no more than a battalion or two to "help keep the peace" in Sofia if violent outbreaks occur during Ab-dal Rash Omen II's coronation. My source (an unnamed official, high in Byzantine bureaucracy, with especially close ties to the present Sultan) had no comment on Owen's obligations to Constantinople, except to point out that the Bulgarian King to be is the present Sultan's nephew. (Note: Look for M.I.S.Y.P.P. next month, when our unnamed official gives us an unacknowledged off the record deep backgrounder plausible denial of the alleged Turkish move to the Black Sea).

CON to ST. PETE: Sorry! You strong silent types make us nervous. Let's keep talking.

CON to BER: We'll take 3 cases of Pinot Grand Fenwick (any good year). Please accept a small package of our best taffy - will send along the vodka you requested when a more plentiful supply is established.

CON to VIE: Does this prove our friendship?

ENGLAND to World: Due to the instability in the foreign securities market in Belgium and also in consideration to the invitation by the Government of Belgium, The English Stock Exchange will be opening it's first branch office in Brussels in Fall 1901. Any attempt by a foreign power to "corner" this free market will not be looked upon favorably.

This is  
O At  
P Great  
E Intervals  
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A Appears  
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O Optic  
N Nerves

# 1401

VIENNA to ROME: ...And the meatballs go rolling along!

VIENNA to ENGLAND: Rusty Buckets in Belgium eh? Hope you aren't sending an Army to Belgium. Wouldn't that threaten France and Germany?

VIENNA to CONSTANTINOPLE: Der Rote Kriegsspieler, Realizing what a great and Noble (Ha Ha Ha) Man the Sultan of Turkey is, has decided to visit his Sultan-ship in his Palace. Will our intrepid hero return? Only the Future will tell...

VIENNA to BERLIN: Tell me seriously, have you ever heard of any Laughing at a German?

VIENNA to PARIS: It must be pretty awful to have such long sticky toungees. You know what? The English look like flies after all!

VIENNA to MOSCOW: Don't Crab, this is my country after all. I move where I please.

VIENNA to BELGIUM: Don't worry, the English Fleet will sink in my Hurricane of Goodwill (and Press).

DUCHY OF GRAND FENWICK (via Berlin) to FRANCE: Yes, I have heard of your provinces producing what they allege to be wines. The Duchy of Grand Fenwick produces an infinitely better vintage, however: Pinot Grand Ferrick. I, as the Duke of Grand Fenwick and Emperor of Germany, shall gladly make arrangements to ship you a case if you so desire.

DUKE OF GRAND FENWICK (via Bavaria) to ST. PETERSBURG:

A great northern man, both silent and proud,  
 a man of good taste, his detractors allowed;  
 He thought of the world from a great Winter Palace  
 instead of spending his time watching Webster and Dallas;  
 He takes in his account the letters of others,  
 and his generals comply with every word that he utters;  
 Our diplomatic advisor sits still at his desk,  
 He seems to be living in a state of distress;  
 The tsar sends no word to the Duchy of Fenwick,  
 but perhaps this appeal will make his pen tick;  
 By chance you will condescend to write to us soon,  
 we shall send our reply by Ducal hot-air balloon;  
 May your Ccäsacks be strong and your post office swift,  
 and then the Duke of Grand Fenwick shall not seriously be miffed;  
 So this message be brief, I shall stop writing now,  
 I hope to hear from you soon somehow.

LA JOLLA, CALIFORNIA to BROOKLYN, NEW YORK: Like, hey, dude...What's all this about California being for, like, beach bums, dude. You could've had to play the Padres, or is it the Chargers - hey, let's make it like the Chardres. Anyway, you'd be in a lot of trouble. But then, who cares about baseball dude, 'cause we got the rad waves and our guys can outsurf your guys any day. Wait, I gotta go - surf's up; but let this be a lesson to you...DUDE.

LA JOLLA to BROOKLYN: You had your chance, city slicker. San Diego's going to have the Cup.

LA JOLLA to Dennis O'Connor (sp?): Don't let me down, big guy.

BROOKLYN (United Rabble Rousing Press): Various despatches from California have recently arrived here, and we are badly in need of the services of a translator.

ANAKHIT, SKANDALUTZ (URRP): Edna Evernasti, Ministress of Foreign Affairs, has announced that participants from Grand Fenwick have been banned indefinitely from the Annual Skandalous Outdoor Erotic Verse Contest. "If the recent compositions, received via Berlin, are any example," she told the Royal Council, "poets from Grand Fenwick will lower the quality of the competition. Recall also, that these verses were from the best poet in Grand Fenwick. The Goddess only knows what the others are like!"

According to latest reports it had not been decided whether to extend this ban to Germans. "In past centuries," the Prime Ministress said, "Germans have been outstanding winners of this contest - even Martin Luther, though the German government now attempts to deny that he ever took part!"

1985CA

"Fall 1906"

## NORTH PLAYS MUSICAL DOTS

ENGLAND (Bragdon): A Boh-Tyr; A Pic-Bel; F Eng S A Pic-Bel; F Nrg-Nwy; F Nth S F Nrg-Nwy; F Swe S F Nrg-Nwy.

FRANCE (Petty): F Mid-Spa(s.c.); A Por S F Mid-Spa(s.c.).

GERMANY (Quirk): F Bal & F Den S RUSSIAN F Nwy-Swe; A Ber-Sil; A Mun S A Ber-Sil; A Vie S ITALIAN A Tri; A Ruh-Hol; A Bur-Bel.

ITALY (Plachta): A Gas-Par; F Ion holds; F Nap & F Adr S F Ion; A Tri S GERMAN A Vie; A Tyr S GERMAN A Mun-Boh.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Foster): A Liv-St.P; A Mos S A Liv-St.P; A Bud-Vie; A Gal S A Bud-Vie; A Ser-Tri; F Gre S TURKISH F Aeg-Ion; A Bul S F Gre; A Con S A Bul.

RUSSIA (Wrobel): A St.P-Nwy; F Nwy-Swe.

TURKEY (D. Martin): F Aeg-Gre; F Eas-Smy.

Underlined moves are not possible. The German A Vie is dislodged and annihilated. Russia must retreat A St.P-Fin and England must retreat F Swe-Bot, -Ská, or -Fin except that if both units are ordered to retreat to Finland they will both be annihilated. The directions of these retreats (or removals) should be sent in with the "Winter 1906" orders, which may be made conditional upon them. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, War. (6)	AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Mos, Rum, St.P, Ser, Sev, Vie. (10)
FRANCE: Bre, Por, Spa. (3)	RUSSIA: Swe. (1)
GERMANY: Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mun. (5)	TURKEY: Ank, Smy. (2)
ITALY: Mar, Nap, Par, Rom, Tri, Tun, Ven. (7)	

Austria-Hungary, Italy, and France may each build one new unit; Austria-Hungary would have a second build but no home supply center is available for it. England will also have a build if the dislodged F Swe is removed. Germany and Russia must each remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1906" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986.

TURKEY to AUSTRIA: You know, a little generosity on your part would make this much easier. Consider which is easier, fighting Italy with one fleet, or giving me one of the builds you can't use. My patience is running out.

1984IO

"Spring 1909"

## "IT'S NOT EASY BEING GREEN"

GERMANY (D. Martin): A Ber-St.P; A Gal S ITALIAN A Tri-Bud; A Sil S A Gal; A Pru S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A War; A Liv-Mos; A Bur hold; F Nwy S A Ber-St.P; F Bot & F Bal C A Ber-St.P; F Swe-Fin; F Nth S F Nwy.

ITALY (Barents): F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy; A Ukr-Sev; A Vie-Bud; A Tri-Alb; F Adr S A Tri-Alb; A Tyr-Vie; F Nap & F Apu S F Ion; F Ion holds; F Nrg S F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy; A Rom-Ven; A Ven-Tri.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Hurwitz): A War S GERMAN A Liv-Mos.

RUSSIA (Ball): A Mos-Ukr; A Sev-Arm.

TURKEY (McCarthy): A Bud-Tri; A Ser & F Alb S A Bud-Tri; A Rum-Bud; F Aeg-Con; F Eas-Ion; A Bul-Rum; F Gre S F Alb.

Italy retreats F St.P(n.c.)-Bar, and the Italian A Tri is dislodged and annihilated. The deadline for "Fall 1909" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986.

1986AM - PRESS RELEASES

PARIS: There was a great celebration going on in the city. It seems like the Flying Dutchie Boy has been named the Foreign Affairs Dept head. "I Promise for allies, more friends and more women for France" Cheers, shouts and hoots for joy. "Not only that but I will demand that the embassy be staffed only by good looking women, and that they have their doors open to all Frenchmen that might need Assistance in taking on travel to these countries, and help with all other types of affairs that might come up." Screams shouts cheers etc as the Boy flies to his next stop. Will The flying dutchie BOY be able to hold up his end of the bargain in all this. More reports later from other stations.

DEROT: It has been announced here that the new minister of foreign affairs has a dark side, a side that people do not know about. It seems that he sneaks about through out the days and nights, making deals, and flying through widows etc. There seems that right at this time when relations with Germany look so good that he is really talking with the turks about possibly coming along and splitting the world. That would be a bear to take. More details on the other topics of this secret life later.

RUSSIA to World: Troops of the Tsar today moved to quell unrest in the Germanic Province of Silesia with the possible abduction of our ally Kaiser Wilhelm II by the Austrian scum. If there is no need for their continued presence, they will advance to liberate the Bohemian peoples from the clutches of a man who it is rumored enjoys eating garden slugs thrice daily. We're talking sleezoid folks.

LONDON to World: The Eastern Horde must be stopped!

TURKEY to LONDON: Thanks Marc. I needed that P. S. in your letter. Keep up the good work.

To the Balkan Powers: This TRIple Alliance sure has collapsed fast hasn't it. I can't co-ordinate my moves with you if I have no idea what your moves are.

TURKEY to GERMANY: It seems like everyone else wants a piece of you. My paratroopers aren't available or I would too. Maybe I'll send The Yellow Berets. (Everything in Turkey is yellow.)

DEUTSCHLAND PRESS to its avid readership: The First Reich has been overthrown and Kaiser Ticossi assassinated. The second reich, in its place, has been weakened by low troop morale. In fact, the eastern front is rumored to be almost bare. The Republic of Germany will respond by warmly accepting the goodwill of her several neighbors, especially Italy. We will assume only friendly intents; of course, the first one who moves in will be stopped by all means possible, the dots going to everyone else. See ya next year.

1984ID - PRESS RELEASES

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY to World: If you trust a hungry Turkey, she'll come back to bite you; therefore beware of TURKEYS!!

TURKEY to GERMANY: Think you'll let me keep Gascony? I'm rather fond of it.

TURKEY to RUSSIA: You didn't really move to Moscow, did you now?

~~little~~ turkey to ~~RIG~~ AUSTRIA: Power-mad dog? Not me, I'm just defending myself. Anyone who reviews the fall 07 and spr 08 moves will see you moving against me while I'm idly trying to support you into Germany. And I know you don't believe me, but I really did send in a change of orders for fall 08.

1984V - PRESS RELEASE

ENGLAND to AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: This is your last opportunity to get a draw for this game because you're going to lose St. Pete in 1915!! Don't forget it!!

1986AM

"Spring 1902"

## RUSSIAN TO AND FRO

ENGLAND (Hurwitz): F Edi-Nrg; F Nth-Nwy; A Nwy-Fin; F Eng C FRENCH A Bre-Bel.

FRANCE (Barents): A Spa-Mar; F Por-Mid; A Bre-Bel; F Mar-Lyo; A Par-Bur.

GERMANY (Austin): A Hol-Kie; A Ruh-Mun; F Swe holds((sic; no such unit exists));  
F Den not ordered, holds.

ITALY (P. Martin): A Gre holds; A Ven S A Tyr; F Ion S A Gre; A Tyr-Boh.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Fortner): F Tri-Alb; A Bud-Gal; A Vie S A Bud-Gal; A Ser-Bul.RUSSIA (Dolan): F Swe & A St.P hold; F Rum-Bla; A War-Sil; A Gal-Bud; A Sev-Mos.

TURKEY (Skellie): A Bul-Rum; A Con-Bul; F Smy-Con; F Aeg S A Con-Bul.

Underlined moves are not possible. Ben Austin is now playing Germany. Russia must retreat A Gal-Ukr or -War or remove the unit. The direction of this retreat should be sent to the gamesmaster by the Russian player by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL, so that it arrives by FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER 1986. The Turkish, Italian, and Austro-Hungarian players will be informed. The deadline for "Fall 1902" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986. Press releases are on page 6.

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"Fall 1909"

"OVEREXTENDED? ME?"

ENGLAND (Jordan): F NAT-Liv; F Eng-Iri; A Nwy holds.

FRANCE (D. Martin): A Mar S TURKISH F Gas; F Spa(s.c.)-Mid; A Por holds; F Cly-Edi.GERMANY (Cameron): A Bre holds; A Pic S A Bre; F Nth-Eng; A Bur-Mar; A Pru-War;  
A Sil S A Pru-War; A Boh-Gal.AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Brooks): A Tri-Bud; A Vie S A Tri-Bud; A Ven-Tri; A Rom-Nap.

RUSSIA (Verheiden): A St.P holds.

TURKEY (Addison): F Alb-Tri; A Bud S F Alb-Tri; A Rum S A Bud; A Bul-Ser; A Liv S A  
War; F Bla-Con; A Sev-Ukr; F Ion-Apu; F Tyr-Rom; F Mid-NAT; F Wes & F Gas S  
FRENCH F Spa(s.c.)-Mid; A War S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Vie-Gal.

Underlined moves are not possible. Austria-Hungary retreats A Tri-Tyr. Players should note that the Austro-Hungarian A Tri-Bud failed even though it had a support, because of the Turkish order "A Rum S A Bud". However, since the Turkish A Bud was attacked from Trieste, it can still deliver support into Trieste and the Turkish "F Alb-Tri" succeeds. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Liv, Lon, Nwy, Swe. (4)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Nap, Ven, Vie. (3)

FRANCE: Edi, Mar, Por, Spa. (4)

RUSSIA: St.P. (1)

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Bre, Den, Hol, Kie,  
Mun, Par. (8)TURKEY: Ank, Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Mos, Rom,  
Rum, Ser, Sev, Tri, Tun, War, Smy. (14)

England, Germany, and Turkey may each build one new unit, and Austria-Hungary must remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1909" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986. Players should also send in votes for or against a proposal to concede to Turkey. Earlier press releases appear on page 6.

FRANCE to Kaiser Nero: OK, I surrender unconditionally, you win.

"Fall 1905"

1985CT

"KING CANUTE, WE ARE HERE!"

ENGLAND (Chafetz): A Yor-Lon; F Nth-Den; F Nrg-Nwy; A Nwy-Swe; F Bal S F Nth-Den;  
F Ska S A Nwy-Swe.

FRANCE (Addison): A Mar-Tus; A Par-Bur; A Bel holds; F Eng-Mid; F Spa(s.c.)-Wes;  
F Lyo C A Mar-Tus.

GERMANY (Skellie): A Vie-Bud; A Rum & A Gal S A Vie-Bud; A Sev S A Rum; A Bur-Mun;  
F Kie-Ber; A Hol-Kie; A Ruh S A BurMun; F Den S F Swe; F Swe S F Den.

ITALY (Sims): F Tyr-Nap; F Ion S F Tyr-Nap; A Ven-Rom; A Tyr holds.

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

TURKEY (Quarto): F Con-Bla; A Bul-Ser; A Gre S A Bul-Ser; A Arm-Sev; F Nap S FRENCH  
F Lyo-Tyr.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Austro-Hungarian A Bud is dislodged and annihilated. Retreats are:

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: A Ser-Alb.

GERMANY: A Den-Hel; F Swe-Bot.

TURKEY: F Nap-Apu.

The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Den, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, Swe,  
St.P. (7)

GERMANY: Ber, Bud, Hol, Kie, Mos, Mun, Ruri,  
Sev, Vie, War. (10)

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

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

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Tri. (1)

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

Turkey and England may each build one new unit, and Austria-Hungary must remove one. (Turkey has a second build if the dislodged F Nap is removed.) These "Winter 1905" orders should be sent in by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL so that they arrive by FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER 1986. All players will be informed. The deadline for "Spring 1906" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986. Press releases appear on page 12.

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"Spring 1905"

GERMAN DICTIONARIES FOR SALE CHEAP

ENGLAND (MacNiallais): F Nth C FRENCH A Bel-Nwy; F Bar S FRENCH A Bel-Nwy; F Hol-Bel;  
F Ska S GERMAN F Swe-Den.

FRANCE (McHugh): A Par-Bur; A Bel-Nwy; F Lyo-Tus((sic; no such unit exists)); F Tyr S  
F Lyo-Tus((sic)); F Tun S F Tyr; A Naf S F Tun; A Mar holds; F Tus not ordered,  
holds.

GERMANY (Quirk): F Swe-Bal; A Ber-Pru; A Kie-Ber; A Mun-Sil; A Ruh-Mun.

RUSSIA (Austin): A Pie-Tyr; A War-Pru; A Liv S A War-Pru; A Boh-Sil; A Tri-Vie; A  
Ven S A Pie-Tyr; A St.P-Fin; A Nwy-Swe; F Bal S A Nwy-Swe; A Mos holds.

TURKEY (Rosen): A Apu S F Rom; F Rom & F Nap S F Ion-Tyr; F Ion-Tyr; F Con-Aeg;  
F Aeg-Ion; F Smy-Eas; A Bul-Ser.

Underlined moves are not possible. Germany must retreat F Swe-Den or -Bot and France must retreat F Tyr-Lyo or -Wes. These retreats (or removals) should be sent in by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL so that they arrive by FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER 1986. All players will be informed. The deadline for "Fall 1906" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986. There is a press release on page 9.



1985HL

"Winter 1904"

ENGLAND (MacNiallais): Builds F Lon,  
defers one build.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Thornsen): Builds A Vie.  
TURKEY (Drakert): Builds A Con.

FRANCE (Chafetz): Removes F Nat.

The deadline for "Spring 1905" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986.

1986AZ

"Winter 1901"

ENGLAND (M. Thompson): Builds F Lon.

ITALY (Blaine): Builds F Nap.

FRANCE (Cook): Builds F Mar, F Bre.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Powell): Builds A Vie,

GERMANY (Parbehem): Builds F Kie, A Ber. A Bud.

TURKEY (Reebel): Builds F Con, F Smy.

The deadline for "Spring 1902" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986.

VIENNA to BERLIN: The Kaiser of all Austria-Hungary sends his best wishes, and those of the Austrian people, to the German Kaiser for a successful campaign in Scandinavia. He adds that he looks forward to a sustained period of mutual cooperation between the two Germanic Empires. By taking firm and united action together, the German Volk in the Empire and the Reich will assure themselves of success in their battle against the groping horror of Slavic expansionism.

ST. PETERSBURG (via VIENNA): When messengers arrived to inform the Tsar of the disastrous defeats suffered by his forces at the hands of the Austrians and Turks in the south, and the Germans in the north, they found him playing tennis with his half-brother, the Grand Duke. After reading the accounts of the battles, the Tsar, in a typical display of tactical genius, ordered another 100,000 peasants be conscripted and sent to the front. He then turned to the Grand Duke and said, "Military matters always make me drowsy. I think it's time for a nap." Palace guards were told not to fire on the rioting crowds for the next hour so that the Tsar could rest undisturbed.

#### FRESH BLOOD

Since the last issue of GRAUSTARK, the following people have written in asking for information about postal Diplomacy. I have sent them information about GRAUSTARK; other honest gamesmasters are also invited to do so. (Sorry Brux, Gary - you don't qualify.)

Henry S. Rosenthal, 535 Stevenson St., San Francisco, Calif. 94103  
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#### THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

Housecleaning day comes on Saturday 3 January 1987. I will then throw out all 1985 back issues of my postal war-gaming 'zines GRAUSTARK and EMPIRE. If you want to order 1985 back issues, please send in your order before then. They're 10 for \$2.

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1985H - PRESS RELEASE

RUSSIA to ENGLAND: Sounds good to me!

1985HF - PRESS RELEASE

ST. PETERSBURG to World: Recent reports of Bolshevnik uprisings in and about the nation's capital are entirely false; the Tsar maintains control over all armies in and around the Russian continent. Long live the Tsar.

1985L

## ARMISTICE OFFERED

ENGLAND (Stewart): A Swe-Fin; F Nwy-Swe; F Den-Bal; F Nth-Edi; F Lon-Nth.

FRANCE (Chafetz): F Eng-Bel.

GERMANY (Schembari): F Hol-Bel; A Ber-Sil; A Pic-Bur; A Gas S A Pic-Bur; A Bre holds;  
A Bur-Mun; A Ruh S A Bur-Mun.

ITALY (Jordan): F Mid-Nat; A Pie S A Mar; A Mar S F Wes-Spa(s.c.); F Wes-Spa(s.c.);  
F Spa(s.c.)-Mid; F Por S F Spa(s.c.)-Mid; A Tri, A Tyr, A Boh, A Gal, A Rum,  
A Arm, F Bla & F Bul(e.c.) hold.

RUSSIA (Cameron): F Cly-Edi; A Liv-Den; F Bal C A Liv-Den; A St.P S A Mos; A Mos S  
A St.P.

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

ENGLAND: Den, Edi, Lon, Nwy, Swe. (5)

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Bre, Hol, Kie, Mun,  
Par. (7)

ITALY: Ank, Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Mar, Nap,  
Por, Rom, Rum, Ser, Smy, Spa, Tri, Tun,  
Ven, Vie. (17)

RUSSIA: Liv, Mos, St.P, Sev, War. (5)

The last French unit is removed. Italy may build 3 new units; these "Winter 1908" orders should be sent in by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL so that they arrive by FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER 1986 and will be sent to all players. The deadline for "Spring 1909" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986. With those orders should be sent in votes for or against a concession to Italy.

1985H

"Spring 1907"

## WEST TIGHTENS THE SCREWS

ENGLAND (Stewart): A Pie-Tus; F Lyo S A Pie-Tus; F Wes-Tun; F Naf S F Wes-Tun; F Nat-Mid; F Edi-Nth; F Eng C GERMAN A Lon-Bel.

GERMANY (Verheiden): A Swe holds; F Bal S A Saw; A Lon-Bel; F Hol S A Lon-Bel; A Gal-Ukr; A Ber-Sil; A Tyr-Bcr; A Pru-Liv; A War S A Pru-Liv.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (P. Martin): A Ven S ENGLISH A Pie-Tus.

RUSSIA (Sims): F Bel S ENGLISH F Edi-Nth; F Bla-Rum; A Bud-Gal; A Vie S A Bud-Gal;  
A Mos-Liv; F Bot S A Mos-Liv; A Fin-St.P.

TURKEY (McHugh): F Ion-Tun; F Tus-Pie; F Ank-Bla; F Tyr-Lyo; A Ser-Rum; A Bul S A Ser-Rum; A Alb-Ser; A Tri S A Alb-Ser; F Tun-Wes; F Eas-Aeg.

Underlined moves are not possible. Jack McHugh is now playing Turkey. The Turkish F Tun is dislodged and annihilated. Turkey retreats F Tus-Rom and Russia retreats F Bel-Pic. The deadline for "Fall 1907" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986. A press release appears on page 9.

## THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

By the time the next issue of GRAUSTARK reaches you, I'll be a grandfather again. This time it's our older daughter, Karina Wright, who is expecting, with an estimated date of 17 November. This weekend, Perdita, Deirdre, and Deirdre's 2-year-old son Anthony are down in Maryland for Karina's baby shower.

## TEST OF CONSCIENCE - ANSWERS AND RATINGS

by Richard Hurley

((These are the answers to the test that appeared in the last issue of GRAUSTARK. - JB))

Question 1 ("½ Peter Pan"):

- A. 0 points. Peter was an obnoxious little twit, and Wendy was a simp.
- B. 10 points. Captain Hook was an inspiring example of independent living by the handicapped.
- C. 15 points. So what if he's cold-blooded - the Croc knew what he wanted and went for it! Reptilian-Americans everywhere salute your choice.

## Question 2 ("Little Nell"):

- A. Stop the test right now and go away.
- B. 5 points. You have a long way to go, but you have some of the right instincts.
- C. 10 points. OF COURSE.

## Question 3 ("Alderan"):

Of course they did. If Princess Leia was an example of the womanhood of that planet, it should have been sterilized a generation earlier. Award yourself 15 points for an enthusiastic "yes."

## Question 4 ("Contras"):

- A. 0 points. You wear your heart on your sleeve, wimpy liberal.
- B. 5 points. Your analysis is correct, but you lack the chutzpah to do anything about it.
- C. 10 points. You got it, kiddo. This is still the land of opportunity. Remember that it was Al Capone who said: "Don't get the idea that I'm one of these goddam radicals. Don't get the idea that I'm knocking the American system."

And what's good enough for Al is good enough for me.

Ratings: 0 - 15 points. Machiavelli\* might not be your cup of tea. Have you considered Chutes and Ladders, or perhaps Candyland?

15 - 30 points. You are distinctly unsavory - real potential here.

Above 30 points. Ah, la scum de la scum. We urge you to join us. (And, by the way, have you considered running for office?)

## THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

And, to answer another question posed in GRAUSTARK #526, the state bird of Minnesota is the common loon.

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The rules of postal Diplomacy were last published in GRAUSTARK #525. A copy will

\* - Hurley is active in a Machiavelli club in California. Machiavelli is a war-and-negotiation game of the intrigues of 16th-century Italy, and is believed by many gamers to be closely modeled on Diplomacy. - JB

be sent to any new player who doesn't already have one.

The subscription rate for non-players is 10 issues for \$7. Back issues from #500 are 10 for \$2.

Diplomacy was designed nearly 30 years ago by Allan B. Calhamer, and is published by Avalon-Hill, Inc. of Baltimore.

1986AV

"Winter 1901"

ENGLAND (Rigley): Builds A Edi. AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Knapp): Builds A Bud, F Tri.  
 FRANCE (Drakert): Builds A Par, F Mar. RUSSIA (Chafetz): Builds F Sev.  
 GERMANY (Campbell): Builds A Mun, F Kie. TURKEY (Hurley): Builds F Con.  
 ITALY (Ball): Builds F Nap.

The deadline for "Spring 1902" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1986.

ENGLAND to GERMANY: We would like to point out to you the treaty of 1839, which guaranteed the neutrality of Belgium. And that we are, in are wright to support that neutrality. Any way we see fit.

ISTANBUL: The sultan has emerged from the haem, eyes bloodshot, legs wobbily. We of the inner sanctum have called for the court physicians, and the imperial oxygen tent is being set up as I write. Such sacrifice, such nobility...the man is wearing himself out before our very eyes as he strains the last nerve to prevent loneliness among the imperial courtesans.

With his last breath, before his eyes rolled heavenward and he lost consciousness, the Sultan bade me inform you that it is his imperial pleasure to build a fleet in Constantinople. Praise Allah, I think it is the right course.

## 1985CT - PRESS RELEASES

FRANCE to ITALY: We are very determined to get to Munich. With Piedmont out of the question, we've rerouted our army through Tuscany. Our ships are headed around and up the Adriatic to search for inland waterways. The cooperation of the Italian government is sincerely requested.

NEW GERMANY to World: Just because I'm the new kid on the block doesn't mean the world has to jump on me. I've just been elected to this position so give me a chance. To those of you who did not answer my letters:

BEWARE.

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