

# GRAUSTARK

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1984IO

"Fall 1912"

## GERMANY WRAPS IT UP

GERMANY (D. Martin): A Spa-Por; A Mar-Spa;  
A Hol-Edi; F Nth C A Hol-Edi; F Nrg-Nwy;  
F NAT-Liv; A Mos-Sev; A Mun-Bur; A Sil-  
Mun; A Gal & A Ukr S A Rum; A Rum S A Mos-  
Sev; A St.P-Mos; F Eng not ordered, holds.

ITALY (Barents): A Pie-Mar; F Wes-Spa(s.c.);  
F Lyo S A Pie-Mar; F Nap & F Gre S F Ion;  
F Ion holds; F Tun-Naf; F Alb S F Gre;  
A Tyr-Mun; A Vie-Boh; A Tri S A Vie-Boh  
((sic)); A Bud S TURKISH A Ser-Rum.

TURKEY (McCarthy): A Bul-Rum; A Ser S A Bul-  
Rum; A A m-Sev; A Smy-Bul; F Aeg C A Smy-  
Bul; F Eas S F Aeg.

1984IO - Dennis Agosta, Command  
 (to S07)  
 John Boardman, GRAUSTARK  
 E - Frank McIlvaine (dro S07)  
 Ben Austin (out S08)  
 F - Stephen Dycus (out F04)  
 G - Lex Lambert (dro F07)  
 Dick Martin (won F12)  
 I - Herb Barents  
 A - Bob Gallagher (dro S07)  
 Marc Hurwitz (out F09)  
 R - Mike Colandro (dro F07)  
 Warren Ball (out F10)  
 T - Steve Kwiatkowski (res S07)  
 James McCarthy

Underlined moves are not possible. Germany retreats A Mar-Gas. The High Com-  
 batant Powers now control the following supply centers:

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Bre, Den, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Mos, Mun, Nwy, Par,  
 ITALY: Bud, Gre, Mar, Nap, Rom, Tri, Tun,  
 Ven, Vie. (9)

Por, Rum, St.P, Sev, Spa, Swe, War. (20) TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Ser, Smy. (5)  
 Germany now has 20 supply centers and therefore wins this game. A supply center  
 chart appears below. An

asterisk indicates a sup-  
 ply center for which a  
 new unit was not or  
 could not be built.

		00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
E	3	4	4	6	6	3	2	1						
F	3	5	4	2										
G	3	5	6	5	6	8	8	10	11	12	12	16*	20	
I	3	4	5	6	8	10	10	11	12	13*	14*	12	9	
A	3	5	5	6	6	3	2	1	1					
R	4	6	6	3	1	2	3	3	2	1				
T	3	4	4	6	7	8	9	8	8	8	8	6	5	

to be completed in  
 GRAUSTARK in over six months. There is apparently a disposition among GRAUSTARK play-  
 ers at present to ignore the obvious, to continue playing obviously drawn positions,  
 and to refuse concessions to players with winning positions. As Stephen Vincent  
 Benet put it in his great epic poem John Brown's Body, "It is over, but they will not  
 let it be over."

Players and other readers are invited to send in their comments about 1984IO,  
 which will be printed in future issues. I would be particularly interested in com-  
 ments on the game when Dennis Agosta was running it, and on any problems caused by  
 the transition to a new gamesmaster after he was unable to continue with Command.

GERMANY to ITALY: Sorry, Herb, I wish things could have worked out better.



1984ID

"Spring 1912"

## LET'S TALK TURKEY

ENGLAND (J. Jordan): F Iri-Wal; A Lon-Yor; F Edi-Nrg; F Nth S F Edi-Nrg.

FRANCE (D. Martin): A Bre-Pic; A Mar-Bur; A Par S A Mar-Bur; F Kie-Den; F Wal-Lon;  
A Bel-Hol.

GERMANY (Cameron): No moves received. A Pru, A Sil & A Mun hold.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Brooks): A Rum-Bud.

RUSSIA (Verheiden): A St.P S A Nwy; A Nwy S A St.P.

TURKEY (Addison): A Con-Bul; A Ank-Arm; A Ser-Rum; A Liv & A Mos S A War; A Gal-Ukr;  
A Vie-Gal; A Pie-Tyr; A War holds; F Mid-Nat; F Naf-Mid; F Por S F Naf-Mid; F  
Ven-Apu; F Tri-Adr; F Nrg-Nth; F Lyo-Wes; A Bud-Gal.

Underlined moves are not possible. Turkey must retreat F Nrg-Bar or -Cly; the direction of this retreat should come in with the "Fall 1912" orders, which may be made conditional upon it. The deadline for "Fall 1912" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987. Under the circumstances no stand-by will be called on for Germany.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY to FRANCE: Turkey doesn't have a much deserved win! He never really had any opponents. I did the fighting and got stabbed from him. About your dots, maybe he is a pig and not a turkey.

FRANCE to AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: At least I know where my bread is buttered. If you can't beat 'em (and nobody seemed interested), join 'em! If you ask nicely, maybe Bob will spare you too.

FRANCE to GERMANY: Too little, too late.

1985HD

"Spring 1907"

## HALT! - WHO DOESN'T GO THERE?

ENGLAND (Barents): No move received; F Nth holds.

FRANCE (H. Jordan): F Mid-Iri; F Bre-Mid; F Spa(s.c.) S F Bre-Mid; A Gas & A Mar S  
F Spa(s.c.).

GERMANY (Cunningham): No moves received. A Sil, A Yor, F Den, A Mun & A Kie hold;  
A War dislodged and annihilated.

ITALY (Scensny): F Tun-Naf; F Tyr-Lyo; A Tus-Pie; A Tyr-Mun; F Alb-Ion.

RUSSIA (Botimer): F Liverpool & F Edi hold; A Nwy-Swe; F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy; F Bot S A  
Nwy-Swe; A Mos-War; A Ukr S A Mos-War; A Pru-Liv; A Gal-Sil; A Bud-Tri; A Vie &  
A Ser S A Bud-Tri; A Gre-Alb; A Smy-Con; F Aeg-Ion; F Wes-Spa(s.c.); F Por S F  
Wes-Spa(s.c.).

Underlined moves are not possible. The deadline for "Fall 1907" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987. Stand-by moves should be sent in by:

ENGLAND: David E. Schwartz, P. O. Box 813, Springfield, N. J. 07081

GERMANY: Jeffrey L. Hoffman, 3 Canoe Brook Dr., Princeton Junction, N. J. 08550

1984V

"Winter 1917"

The German move "A Mar-Bur" was not printed in the last issue. England now builds F Lon and Germany builds A Ber. Scott Ruffing takes over as Austria-Hungary now, and builds A Bud & F Tri. The deadline for "Spring 1918" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987. A draw has been proposed, and players should send in votes with these moves.



1985CA

"Fall 1909"

## VENICE, WARSAW FALL TO EMPIRE

ENGLAND (Bragdon): F Eng-Mid; A Wal-Yor; A Yor-Nwy; F Nth C A Yor-Nwy; A Bel & F St.P(n.c.) hold; A Ruh-Mun; A War-Pru; F Kie-Ber; F Bal S F Kie-Ber; A Den-Kie.

FRANCE (Petty): A Par-Bre; A Gas-Bre; F Spa(s.c.) S ENGLISH F Eng-Mid.

GERMANY (Quirk): F Ber S ENGLISH A Den-Pru; A Mun S F Ber.

ITALY (Plachta): A Pic-Bre; F Ion-Gre; F Wes-Mid; A Ven holds; F Tyr-Lyo.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Foster): A Liv-Mos; A Gal-War; A Sil S A Gal-War; A Pru S GERMAN F Ber; A Tri-Ven; A Tyr S A Tri-Ven; F Alb-Adr; A Ser-Gre; A Bul-Rum; A Arm-Sev.

Underlined moves are not possible. The German F Ber is dislodged and annihilated. England must retreat A War-Ukr or -Liv, and Italy must retreat A Ven-Pie, -Tus, -Rom, or -Apu. The directions of these retreats should come in with the "Winter 1909" orders, which may be made conditional upon them. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Ber, Den, Edi, Hol, Kie,

ITALY: Nap, Rom, Tun. (3)

Liv, Lon, Nwy, St.P, Swe. (11)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Ank, Bud, Bul, Cnn, Gre,

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

Mos, Rum, Ser, Sev, Smy, Tri, Ven, Vie,

GERMANY: Mun. (1)

War. (14)

Austria-Hungary may build three new units; a fourth is not possible because there is no home supply center available for it. France may build one unit, and England has a build if the dislodged A War is removed. Italy must remove two units. The deadline for these "Winter 1909" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987.

PLUCKED TURKEY to ENGLAND (Dead Turkey Press): Now you offer me the three-way! Where were you when I was alive?

1985HF

"Fall 1908"

## GRAND ALLIANCE COMES APART!

ENGLAND (MacNiallais): F Den-Swe; F Nwy & F Ska S F Den-Swe; F Nth-Den.

FRANCE (McHugh): No moves received; A Bur & F Iri hold.

GERMANY (Quirk): A Bre-Par.

RUSSIA (Austin): F Bal S A Swe; A Ven holds; A War-Sil; A Sev-Rum; A Gas-Par; A Kie-Den; A Swe S A Kie-Den; A Bel-Pic; A St.P-Liv; A Fin S A Swe; A Hol & A Vie hold; A Mun-Bur; A Mos-St.P.

TURKEY (Rosen): F Wes-Mid; F Lyo-Spa(s.c.); F Mar S F Lyo-Spa(s.c.); F Tyr-Wes; F Tus-Lyo; F Tun-Naf; F Ion-Tun; F Aeh-Ion; F Con-Aeg; A Pie-Ven; A Tri S A Pie-Ven.

Underlined moves are not possible. England retreats F Den-Hel and Russia must retreat A Ven-Pie, -Tus, -Rom, or -Apu; the direction of this retreat should be sent in with the "Winter 1908" orders, which may be made conditional upon them. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

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

RUSSIA: Bel, Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mos, Mun,

FRANCE: Por. (1)

Rum, St.P, Sev, Swe, Tri, Vie, War. (14)

GERMANY: Bre. Par. (2)

TURKEY: Ank, Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Mar, Nap, Nap, Ser, Smy, Spa, Tun, Ven. (12)

In addition, Rome becomes Russian if Russia retreats the dislodged A Ven there, but remains Turkish otherwise. Russia has a build only if it retreated A Ven-Rom. Turkey has two builds if Rome remains Turkish, and one otherwise. England has a build



If the dislodged F Den is removed. France must remove one unit; Germany would have a build except that no home supply center is available. The deadline for "Winter 1908" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987.

With these moves, Jack McHugh resigns as France and is succeeded by Peter Gaughan, Apt. 165, 3121 Park Row Dr. East, Arlington, Texas 76010-3744; 817-633-3208.

Players should note that the Russian order "A Swe S A Kie-Den" is valid because the A Swe is attacked from the space into which it is delivering support, and not dislodged.

1905HL

"Fall 1907"

GERMANY: ALL DRESSED UP AND NO PLACE TO GO

ENGLAND (MacNiallais): F Tyr holds; F Tun & F Lyo S F Tyr; A Gas S GERMAN A Spa-Mar; F Pic-Eng; F Eng-Mid; A Wal-Lon; F Bar S GERMAN F Bot-St.P(s.c.).

GERMANY (Austin): F Bot-St.P(s.c.); A Nwy S F Bot-St.P(s.c.); A Sil-Pru; A Ber S A Mun; A Mun S ITALIAN A Mar-Switzerland((sic)); A Kie-Den; A Spa-Mar.

ITALY (Palter): A Mar-Pie.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Thornsen): A Ven-Pie; A Gal-Sil; A War S A Gal-Sil; A Bud-Vie; A Tyr S TURKISH A Boh.

TURKEY (Drakert): A St.P holds; A Mos S A St.P; A Rum-Ukr; A Boh S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Gal-Sil; F Rom S F Tus; F Tus S F Rom; F Ion-Nap; A Apu S F Ion-Nap; F Eas-Ion; F Aeg S F Eas-Ion; A Liv-Pru.

Underlined moves are not possible. Turkey retreats A St.P-Fin and Italy retreats A Mar-Bur, while the German A Sil is dislodged and annihilated. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Bre, Edi, Liv, Lon, Par, Tun. (7)  
 AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Tri, Ven, Vie, War. (5)  
 GERMANY: Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mar, Mun, Rum, Ser, Sev, Smy. (11)  
 Italy, Por, St.P, Spa, Swe. (11)

Germany may build one new unit; four more builds have to be postponed until home supply centers are available. Turkey has a build if the dislodged A St.P is removed. England must remove one unit, and the last Italian unit is also removed. Since all but one of these people live in Greater New York, I'll call for these "Winter 1907" orders to be sent in by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL, so that they arrive by FRIDAY 26 JUNE 1987. All players will be informed. The deadline for "Spring 1908" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987.

ITALY (From the Dingbat): This will with any luck be my last press in GRAUSTARKI. Been nice knowing you all. John has banished me - please see EMPIRE #243, p. 5, entitled "The Dingbat Factor". So I guess this is the place for my endgame statement:

1. Thanks to Turkey for a well played game. You had me hoping/going there down to the end.

2. Tom- you and I probably deserved each other this game. I should have worked with you when I could have.

3. Russia - Tom and I may have ruined the game. You completed the process.

ZÜRICH (URRP): The distinguished Zürich gnome Rumpelskinflint, who is President, Chairman of the Board, and Board of the Bank der Sieben Zwergen, announced today that Switzerland's traditional neutrality is not threatened by the German order to support an Italian invasion.

"We understand the pressures under which the German Reich is presently operating," said Rumpelskinflint. "And the Italian government would certainly have been capable of making such an order as Germany was prepared to support."

In an apparently unrelated development, the last Italian army in existence was interned at Neufchatel by an Alpine guide and fourteen Boy Scouts.



1986AF

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"Spring 1905"

## WIRES CROSSED

ENGLAND (La Rocco): F Swe-Fin; A New S F Swe-Fin; F Mid S GERMAN A Spa-Por; F Iri S  
F Mid; F Eng-Pic; A Bel S F Eng-Pic; F Nth-Eng.

FRANCE (Hoffman): F Por S GERMAN A Spa; A Bre-Gas; A Bur-Mar.

GERMANY (Hurwitz): A Mun-Sil; A Boh S A Mun-Sil; A Ber holds; A Kie S A Ber; F Liv S  
RUSSIAN A St.P; A Mar-Spa((sic; no such unit exists)); A Spa not ordered, holds.

ITALY (Rosen): F Wes-Spa(s.c.); F Lyo S F Wes-Spa(s.c.); F Ion holds; A Ank-Smy; F  
Tyr-Tun; F Rom-Tyr; A Pie not ordered, holds.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (J. Brennick): A Mos-Liv; A Pru-Liv; A Sil-Mun; A Bud-Gal; A Vie-Tyr;  
A Tri-Ven; F Bul(s.c.)-Gre; A Rum-Bul; A Con-Ank; A Sev-Arm.

RUSSIA (McCarthy): A St.P holds.

Underlined moves are not possible. Austria-Hungary retreats A Sil-War. The dead-  
line for "Fall 1905" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987.

BERLIN (D. A. M. N.): Kaiser Wilhelm today announced a pilgrimage to the Holy  
Land. "Now that Islam has been extinguished, it is quite safe. My people have no  
need to fear - orders shall still be transmitted to our armies. However, a halt to  
diplomacy must occur."

1987AD

"Spring 1902"

## DARING ITALIAN OFFENSIVE SIEZES VIENNA

ENGLAND (Plachta): A Nwy-St.P; F Liv-NAT; F Lon-Eng; F Bel S F Lon-Eng; F Nth S F Bel.

FRANCE (McCarthy): F Mid-Wes; A Spa-Por; A Bre-Pic; A Par-Bur.

GERMANY (Lange): A Ber-Sil; A Mun-Bur; A Hol-Ruh; A Kie-Den; F Swe-Bot.

ITALY (P. Thompson): A Tyr-Vie; A Ven-Tri; F Ion-Gre.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Gibson): A Vie-Tri; A Bud S A Vie-Tri; A Ser-Bul; F Tri-Adr.

RUSSIA (Borgeson): F Bla-Sev; A Ukr S F Bla-Sev; A Gal-Rum; F Bal holds.

TURKEY (J. Jordan): A Bul-Rum; F Con-Bul(e.c.); F Ank-Bla; A Arm S RUSSIAN F Bla-Sev.

Underlined moves are not possible. The deadline for "Fall 1902" orders is NOON,  
FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987.

TRIESTE (Dalmatian Sea Dog Press): So depress, sailors dying, some dead. Last  
year our dear litl fleet went down the coast to take meritocracy to Greece but came  
ryt back instead. Now San Diego sea dragon sitt dead in the water, southerly direc-  
tion, nearly a year! Search & destroy!

WIEN FREI LUX: Son der Danube sent doves to Paris but they seem doomed. Some  
dopey dumbocrats there said "Drown them." So Brits blt 2 flts & Berlin blt armies to  
see dumbocracy sent down to sick destiny. Some dagos still seek dead king in Tyrol?!

1985H

"Winter 1909"

ENGLAND (Stewart): Builds F Edi, A Liv. TURKEY (Carli): Builds A Ank, F Smy.

RUSSIA (Sims): Removes F Fin.

Jack McHugh has resigned as Turkey, and Jack Carli, whose address appeared in the last  
issue, takes over. The deadline for "Spring 1910" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987.



"Spring 1901"

1987CD

## GUESS WHO'S COMING TO THE CHANNEL?

ENGLAND (Follmer): F Edi-Nrg; F Lon-Nth; A Liv-Edi.

FRANCE (Grasse): F Bre-Eng; A Mar-Spa; A Par-Bur.

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

ITALY (Fader): F Nap-Ion; A Ven holds; A Rom-Tus.

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

RUSSIA (McHugh): F St.P(s.c.)-Bal((sic)); A War-Ukr, A Mos holds; F Sev-Bla.TURKEY (Meldrum): F Ank-Bla; A Con-Bul; A Smy-Con.

Underlined moves are not possible. The deadline for "Fall 1901" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987. Matthew Grosse writes that his nine-digit ZIP code is 11385-4321.

1985CY

"Winter 1907"

FRANCE (Van De Graaf): Builds F Bre. TURKEY (H. Jordan): Removes A Arm.

GERMANY (Scensny): Builds A Kie, A Mun.

The deadline for "Spring 1908" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987.

1986AM

"Winter 1904"

ENGLAND (Hurwitz): Builds A E i.

FRANCE (Barents): Builds A Mar.

GERMANY (Austin): Builds A Mun.

RUSSIA (Dolan): Removes F St.P(n.c.), F Bot, A Fin.

The deadline for "Spring 1905" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987.

LONDON to WORLD: My Spring 1905 moves will either be an attack on St. Pete or a paranoid retreat to England, depending on circumstances. I shall be gone June 11th through the 24th but WILL NOT NMR! Nonetheless, don't expect me to answer your mis-sives this season. .

1986CW

"Winter 1903"

Following "Fall 1903" moves, Italy retreated A Pie-Ven.

ENGLAND (Harkin): Builds A Lon, F Edi. GERMANY (Kardara): Builds A Ber.

FRANCE (Pribe): Removes A Pie. ITALY (Plachta): Builds F Rom.

The deadline for "Spring 1904" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987.

VIENNA: It had been planned that operation DRANG NACH OSTEN would begin when Greece had been given to Italy. Kaiser Steve had earlier declared that Austro-Hungarian military forces should be reduced in favor of peaceful coexistence with Austrias other neighbors. The situation was now stabilized. The General Staff was celebrating Englands successful blockade of Russia's northern ports. General Steiner said, "One step closer..."

GALICIA: Der Rote Kriegspieler had just landed when the Russian offensive began. Four days later the defeated Russian forces sulked away. As DRK inspected the battlefield, he came upon a familiar body. In a typical, Russian-style, waste of life, Nickolas Yarovich had finally met his end, attacking an Austrian machine gun. Seeing Nikki's broken bottle of Imperial Russian Vodka, DRK thought, "Warsaw will burn," then looking at Der Weinmacht, with it's Fenwickian markings, DRK mumbled, "even Napoleon needed allies!!"

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1905CT

"Fall 1908"

## GARBLED DESPATCHES CAUSE PROBLEMS

The German move printed as "A Ukr-Sev" in the last issue was actually "A Ukr-Rum." The last moves in the German set were actually "A Tri & A Gal S A Vie-Bud". Following these moves Germany did not have to remove the dislodged F Lon, as the retreat "F Lon-Eng" was available and was taken. Players were informed.

ENGLAND (Chafetz): A Fin-Swe; F Nwy S A Fin-Swe; A Yor S F Lon; A Liv-Wal; F Lon S A Liv-Wal.

FRANCE (Addison): F Nth-Nwy; A Wal-Lon; F Bre-Mid; F Ion-Gre; A Tus-Ven; A Mar S A Tus-Ven((sic; no such unit exists)); F Nap-Apu; F Rom & A Bel hold; A Pie not ordered, holds.

GERMANY (Skellie): F Lon S FRENCH A Wal-Lon((sic; no such unit exists)); A Hol S A Kie-Ruh; F Swe S FRENCH F Nth-Nwy; F Den S F Swe; A Kie-Ruh; A Pru-Liv; A Bud-Ser; A Tri S A Bud-Ser; A Gal-Rum; A Ukr & A Sev S A Gal-Rum; F Eng not ordered, holds.

ITALY (Sims): A Ven S GERMAN A Tri; F Apu S A Ven.

TURKEY (Quarto): A Smy-Arm; A Ser & A Con hold; A Bul S A Ser; F Bla S A Smy-Arm.

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

ENGLAND: Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, St.P. (5) GERMANY: Ber, Bud, Den, Hol, Kie, Mos, Mun, Rum, Sev, Swe, Tri, Vie, War. (13)

FRANCE: Bel, Bre, Gre, Mar, Nap, Par, Por, Rom, Spa, Tun. (10)

ITALY: Ven. (1)

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

Germany and France may each build two new units, and Italy must remove one. The deadline for these "Winter 1908" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987. Bob Addison's new phone number is 301-588-6873.

1906AZ

"Fall 1904"

## DAS REICH WIRD ARMER

No retreat for the dislodged German F Den was received and so it is removed.

ENGLAND (M. Thompson): F Den-Kie; F Ska-Den; A Swe S F Ska-Den; F Nth-Hol; F Eng S FRENCH A Bel; F Iri-Mid.

FRANCE (Stewart): F Mid-Spa(s.c.); F Lyo S F Mid-Spa(s.c.); A Bel S ENGLISH F Nth-Hol.

GERMANY (Barbehenn): No moves received. A Ruh, A Bur & A Gas hold; F Hol dislodged and annihilated.

ITALY (Blaine): A Rom-Nap; A Mar S F Spa(s.c.); F Spa(s.c.) S A Mar; F Tun-Tyr.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Powell): A Sev-Arm; A Ukr-Sev; A Bud-Rum; A Ser S A Bud-Rum; A Tyr-Mun; A Ven-Rom; F Apu S ITALIAN A Rom-Nap; A Boh S A Tyr-Mun.

TURKEY (Reebel): No moves received. F Con, A Bul, F Aeg, F Gre & F Tyr hold; F Nap dislodged and annihilated.

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

ENGLAND: Den, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Nwy, St.P, Swe. (9)

FRANCE: Bel, Bre, Par. (3)

GERMANY: Ber, Par. (2)



ITALY: Mar, Nap, Spa, Tun. (4)

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

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Mos, Mun, Rom, Rum, Ser, Sev, Tri, Ven, Vie, War. (11)

Austria-Hungary and England may each build three new units, and Germany must remove one. The deadline for these "Winter 1904" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987. Stand-by "Winter 1904" and "Spring 1905" moves should be sent in by:

GERMANY: Lawrence Chafetz, Apt. 2-M, 178-10 Wexford Terr., Jamaica, N. Y. 11432

TURKEY: Curtis L. Gibson, Apt. 9, 622 E. 11th St., New York, N. Y. 10009

1986HI

"Spring 1903"

HOW TO DISSECT A DEAD FROG

ENGLAND (Chang): A Swe-Den; F Nth S A Swe-Den; F Pic-Bre; F Eng S F Pic-Bre; F Liv-Tri.

FRANCE (Clarke): No moves received. A Par & F Mid hold.

GERMANY (Ruffing): A Mun-Ber; A Kie S A Mun-Ber; A Ruh-Mun; F Den-Bal; A Hol S ITALIAN A Bel.

ITALY (Goldman): F Gre-Bul(s.c.); F Wes-Mid; A Spa-Por; A Mar-Bur; A Bel S A Mar-Bur; F Nap-Ion; F Rom-Tyr; A Ven-Tri.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Rigley): A Gal-Ukr; A Tri-Bud; A Boh-Gal.

RUSSIA (Plachta): A Sil-Gal; A War S A Sil-Gal; A Pru-Ber; F Bal S A Pru-Ber; F Rum holds.

TURKEY (M. Brennick): A Ser-Alb; F Aeg-Gre; A Bul S F Aeg-Gre; F Ion-Tun; F Smy-Aeg.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Italian F Gre is dislodged and annihilated. The deadline for "Fall 1903" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987. Stand-by moves for France should be sent in by Dan Dolan, RR #2, Box 443, Highland Lakes, N. J. 07422; 201-764-8381.

1986AV

"Winter 1904"

Following "Fall 1904" moves Russia removes the dislodged F Rum. No orders were received from Austria-Hungary so the dislodged A Vie was also removed.

ITALY (Ball): Builds A Ven.

TURKEY (Hurley): Builds A Con, A Smy.

RUSSIA (Chafetz): Builds A Sev.

The deadline for "Spring 1905" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 10 JULY 1987. Stand-by orders for Austria-Hungary should be sent in by Ronald L. Meldrum, Box 1490, Salem Rd., Kingfield, Maine 04947-1490.

1986CW (continued from p. 6)

PARIS: The foreign ministry announced that a cease-fire has been reached with Italy.  
LA JOLLA to ALVA: I am definitely not a virgin diplomacy player after Fall 1901 and Fall 1903. But I get Dixie has better legs than you.

WHAT ABOUT ALL THOSE PRESS RELEASES?

At present 18 postal Diplomacy games are running in GRAUSTARK. This means that if I don't want to pay an extra 17¢ per issue in postage, and keep the mailing weight under 1 ounce, I simply cannot put all press releases in the current issue. The best I can promise is that a press release will be printed no more than one issue late. I am sorry to disappoint several players who insist that the attached three or four long press releases absolutely have to go into the current issue, but the job of an editor is to edit.



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THE DIPLOMATIC POUCH

ALLAN B. CALHAMER, 501 N. Stone, La Grange Park, Ill. 60525: I have been looking at your article on Pandin's Paradox in GRAUSTARK #535.

Considering that your accuracy is almost invariably 100%, I am surprised to find that I disagree with two of the results. I may also have something to add to the discussion of the other three.

To have a Pandin's Paradox, you almost have to have a convoyed army attacking a supporting fleet. That bare minimum doesn't exist in your cases II. and III., where the convoyed army attacks an attacking fleet. In case II., the army moves, contrary to your indication. In case III., I agree with your result, it just doesn't involve a paradox.

In cases I. and IV., you use the 1971 Rulebook, which is indeed open to Pandin's Paradox, and seems to offer no solution. You and your readers probably should be aware, though, that there is a 1982 Rulebook, which can decide both these cases.

1982 Rule XII.5 says, "If a convoyed army attacks a fleet which is supporting an action in a body of water; and that body of water contains a convoying fleet, that support is not cut."

Thus in case I. the German support of its action in the North Sea would not be cut, Germany would gain the North Sea, and the Russian Army would not proceed to London. The English support of English Channel would also not be cut, so England would hold the Channel.

In case IV. the English support of North Sea would not be cut, so the convoyed Germany Army would move, incidentally ousting the English Fleet, even though its support would still be good. This result might be considered a paradox of sorts, but it does not leave you without a solution.

Case V. is, as I think you recognize, not a Pandin's Paradox, and the 1971 Rulebook gives a solution, however surprising. The 1982 Rulebook would give a different solution, since 1982 Rule XIII.4 says, "...The army is not prevented from moving due to dislodgment of fleets, unless all the routes are disrupted."

The computer programs may implement the 1982 Rulebook, in which case there may not be any Pandin's Paradox to trouble them. There is always an outside possibility that it will pop up again in some yet more complicated form, but I think the known forms of it are quashed by 1982 Rule XII.5.

I have thought that this result was an argument in favor of the 1982 Rulebook.

Congratulations on topping 500 issues. Your quality and reliability have been extremely high, from your founding of the postal hobby through to the present day. Congratulations again.

((Thank you. Praise from Caesar is praise indeed.

((Would you believe that this is the first I have heard of the existence of the 1982 Rulebook? It had been my understanding that the 1971 Games Research Rulebook had been taken over in toto by Avalon-Hill, and was still valid. I have been using the 1971 Rulebook for adjudications ever since it came out. This, however, is characteristic of the contempt for the postal hobby which Avalon-Hill seems to show.

((With the changes cited in the 1982 Rulebook, this seems to resolve all the cases cited in my article in the last issue, except for case II. The moves are:

ENGLAND: A Edi-Hol; F Nth C A Edi-Hol; A Bel S A Edi-Hol; F Eng S F Nth.

GERMANY: F Hol-Nth; F Nwy S F Hol-Nth.

I would say that England is attacking from the North Sea into Holland with one support, and Germany is attacking from Holland into the North Sea with one support, so the moves stand each other off. But, then, I do not have a copy of the 1982 Rulebook.

((I have not heard anything from Eric Raymond, or from anyone else who has written, or writing, or owns a computer program for adjudicating Diplomacy. Hopefully, further comments will come in to a future issue on this topic. Further comments on the adjudications presented in #535, and on other difficult cases, would also be welcome.))



## WAR DECLARED IN ALL DIRECTIONS

Seven new entries have come in, and another new postal Diplomacy game is hereby organized. This time, no fewer than six of the seven players got their first choices as countries. Also, there is a very good geographical spread among the players.

The country assignments are:

ENGLAND: Mike Mason, 33-122 Fletcher Hall, University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla. 32612 (until August)

FRANCE: Alan Stewart, 702-25 St. Mary St., Toronto, Ontario M4Y 1R2; 416-961-8095

GERMANY: David Stone, U. S. Embassy, Port of Spain, Trinidad, c/o Department of State, Washington, D. C. 20520; OR, P. O. Box 752, Port of Spain, Trinidad, West Indies.

(I am informed that the Trinidad address gets mail there somewhat faster. However, the Washington address is considerably less expensive. Air mail to Trinidad is 39¢ per half ounce.)

ITALY: Richard Tucker, 1712 Francis Ave., Metairie, La. 70003-4652; 504-455-2935

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: John Jordan, P. O. Box 9516, Moscow, Idaho 83843

RUSSIA: Stephen Katsurinis, Suite 315, 2030 Clarendon Blvd., Arlington, Va. 22201

until 15 August, and thereafter: 1703 Olive St., Georgetown, Texas 78626

TURKEY: Ed Czechowski Jr., 3306 Elm St., Toledo, Ohio 43608; 419-729-5210 after 6 PM on Mondays through Thursdays

Usually, deadlines for postal Diplomacy games in GRAUSTARK are four weeks apart. However, for "Spring 1901" moves I usually like to allow at least five weeks. The deadline for "Spring 1901" orders is therefore NOON, FRIDAY 7 AUGUST 1987. Players who do not yet have a copy of the GRAUSTARK postal Diplomacy rules should send at once for a copy of #525, in which these rules were printed.

Steve Heinowski is asked to send in a Boardman Number for this game by 10 July, so it can be printed in GRAUSTARK #537. Until then, players should just refer to this as "the new game".

## O, CANADA

Alan Stewart writes that there may be a postal strike in Canada, beginning on 16 June. There may be a last-minute settlement, but if there is not, then the pending deadlines in all postal Diplomacy games involving Canadian players will be postponed until the fifth Saturday after the announced end of the strike. The postal Diplomacy games that will be affected are 1985H, 1986AF, 1986AZ, and 1987AD. In addition, the new game announced above will go ahead with a different French player, and Alan Stewart will be entered in a later game.

If the strike goes ahead, notices to that effect will appear in the media and be posted in post offices.

If a postal strike ever takes place in the U. S., all pending deadlines will be postponed to the fifth Saturday after the announced end of the strike.

## GAME FEES WILL INCREASE

It now seems fairly probable that postage rates will rise next year to at least 25¢ for the first ounce, and 20¢ for each additional ounce. (Post cards will be 16¢.) Since most of any upcoming postal Diplomacy game will be played under the new rate, I am regretfully increasing the game fee to \$25. This will become effective on Saturday 8 August 1987, the publication date of GRAUSTARK #538. As always, the game fee will include a subscription to GRAUSTARK as long as the game lasts. On 8 August, the subscription rate for non-players will rise to 12 issues for \$10. Back issues will go to 10 for \$3. There was no rate increase when the postage rate went from 20¢ to 22¢ per ounce, but I fear that now one is unavoidable.



EARLY PRESS RELEASES

1986AF

KIEL (DAMN): The Kaiser and his cabinet have relocated the capital to Kiel. While Berlin may fall to the Italians, it seems more likely that it will be protected by our glorious Austrian allies. Any day now, writes Kaiser Brennick of Austria, the Austrian armies will throw off the hypnotic control of the Italians.

KIEL to WORLD: Please address to Keil any future missives to the German Government. Kiel will never fall!

IMPERIAL GERMAN HQ to German Army Berlin: Make sure to poison all the wells, burn all the crops, and raze a;; the buildings before you go. Oh - and don't forget to turn out the lights.

1986AM

AUSTRIA to RUSSIA: Let's go for \$t.+.

VIENNA to TRIESTA: Don't take too long...please...

AUSTRIA to WORLD: Help!

1986GW

CONSTANTINOPLE CRESCENT: Peace of Bucjavec Ratified. The Turkish capital was the scene of wild rejoicing today as the Peace of Bucjavec was signed in the Hall of Miracles. The pact calls for Turkey and Russia to exchange ambassadors, to cooperate on the field of battle against the Austrian forces of DER RAT, and finally to reduce or in many cases entirely eliminate tariff barriers to trade between the two nations. After a long parade, followed by the most extensive fireworks display in over two years, officials of both governments basked in the overwhelming approval of the Turkish masses.

BERLIN FOREIGN OFFICE to WORLD: Kaiser John recently gave this speech to the German people. Here we have reprinted it for your benefit.

"The Battle of Denmark is over. I expect that the Battle of Germany is about to begin. Upon this battle depends the survival of Christian civilization. Upon it depends our own German life, and the long continuity of our institutions and our Empire. The whole fury of the enemy must very soon be turned against us. Our enemies know that they will have to break us or lose the war.

"If we can stand up to them, all Europe may be free and the life of the world may move into broad, sunlit uplands. But if we fail, then the whole world, including the United States, will sink into the abyss of a new Dark Age made more sinister...by the lights of perverted science. Let us therefore brace ourselves to our duties, and so bear ourselves that, if the German Empire and the Second Reich last for a thousand years, men will say, 'This was their finest hour.'"

GERMAN GENERAL STAFF to WORLD: The English have seized the Russian capitol. Our intelligence reports that the Tsar is fleeing to the South, and that he plans to raise the Romanov banner among the Cossacks on the Don River.

1986HI

RUSSIA to AUSTRIA: Say what? Your letters certainly were different than your moves. But, then, I guess mine were too! It does look like your dime-store alliance (IGA) is gonna be a loser for you. How about some real negotiations?

RUSSIA to FRANCE: Bye. It's been good to know ya! But -- to italy?

This is

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

# 1440



1985CT

EDINBOROUGH: The Queen wants to return to London. Her Tower Bed is not for foreigners French or German.

1987AD

LONDON (News of the World): "British man on the street infuriated, although public school boys indifferent. 'We thought the Warlord was taking over St. Petersburg in Florida!' screams angry mob outside Warlord's palace. Brother Angus is shot at by gang of toughs in baggies, carrying surfboards, who found out their tickets were for sunny Russia. 'Like, this is not bitchin, at all,' says one Teddy Boy."

LONDON (Times): "Warlord says: 'No kidding! Wrong city eh? Well, these things happen. I guess I will have to look for somewhere warmer. Perhaps my fleets can aid in this search.'"

## THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

GRAUSTARK is published every fourth Saturday by John Boardman (address below). I recommend mailing your moves in rather than phoning them in, but if you have to phone, my number is 718-693-1579. (This corrects a misprint in a recent issue.) I have an answering machine.

New games are available for Avalon-Hill's Diplomacy, designed by Allan B. Calhamer. The game fee is \$20, which includes a subscription for as long as the game runs, whether or not you are eliminated. With your entry fee, send in a list of the countries that you'd like to play in your order of preference, and I'll try to place you as high on that list as I can. The rules of postal Diplomacy were last published in GRAUSTARK #525; if you are playing in a GRAUSTARK game and do not already have a copy, send for one at once.

GRAUSTARK subscriptions for non-players are 10 issues for \$7. Back issues from the beginning of 1986 are 10 for \$2. The United States Postal "Service" is initiating the ponderous process which will, in about a year, raise the one-ounce first-class postal rate to a figure variously cited as 25¢ and as 27¢. If past performance is any guide, the 27¢ figure will be used to scare us for a few months so that we will sigh with relief when the rate is raised to "only" 25¢. An increase in the GRAUSTARK subscription and game fees will be announced shortly.

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- If this space is checked you are needed as a stand-by in game

1975HD. See p. 2.

- If this space is checked you will be dropped from game \_\_\_\_\_ if you miss the next move.

- An IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL move is due from you in game \_\_\_\_\_.

- Your subscription expires with this issue.

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