

On the Way Out. Wine coolers, Fergie bows, fat pants, yuppies, Ollie North, rubber swimsuits, fraternity hazing, Madonna and Sean, jogging, cocaine as a social pastime, promiscuity, diet talk, athletic megascholarships, Fort Lauderdale as THE drink-til-you-drop Spring Break spot, raggedy classroom togs, date rape (more education, more awareness), Michael Jackson & Co.

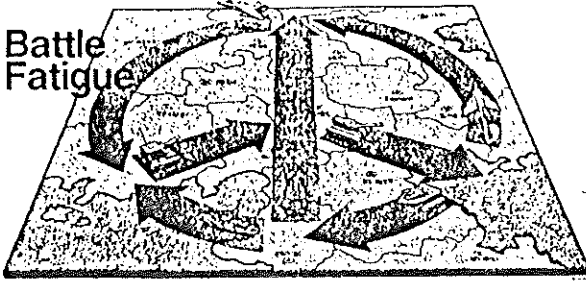
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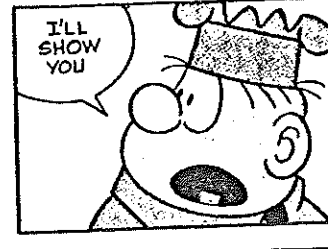
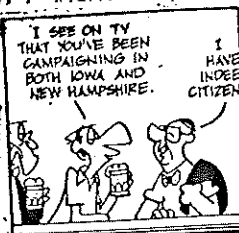
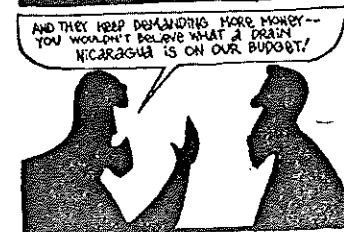
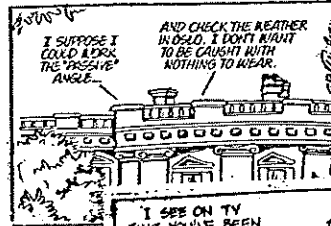
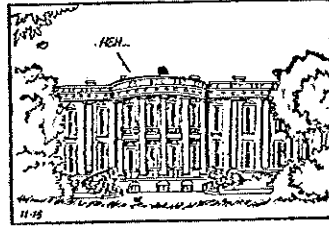
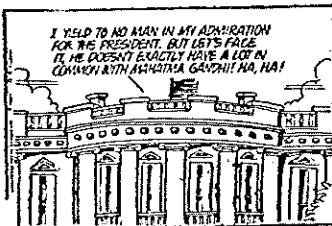
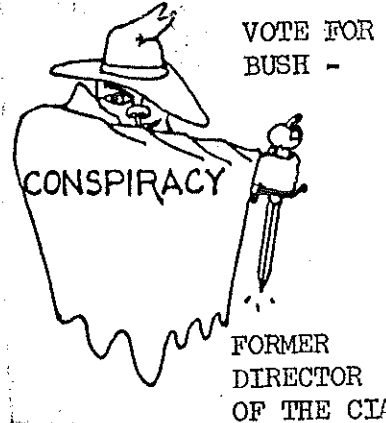
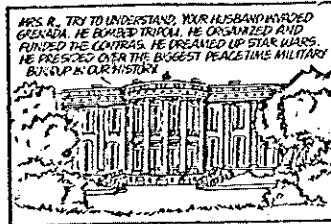
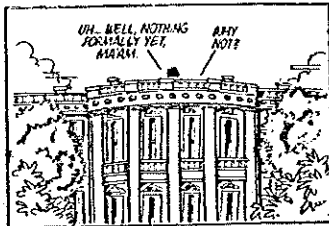
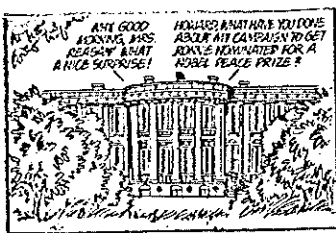
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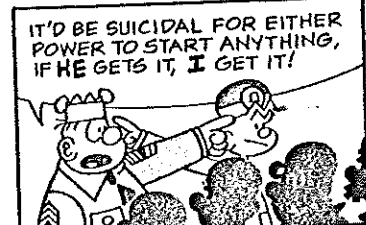
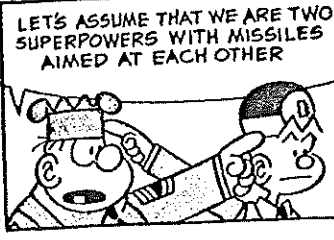
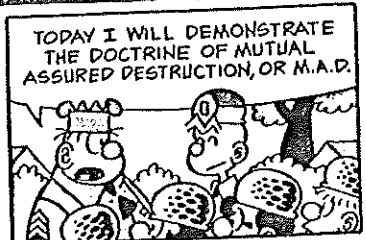
## Battle Fatigue



Some Wars Are Failing the Cost-Benefits Test



PRESIDENT BUSH SWORN IN AS THOUSANDS COMMIT SUICIDE. FILM AT ELEVEN.



# Dollar Up Overseas on News of Airliner Disaster

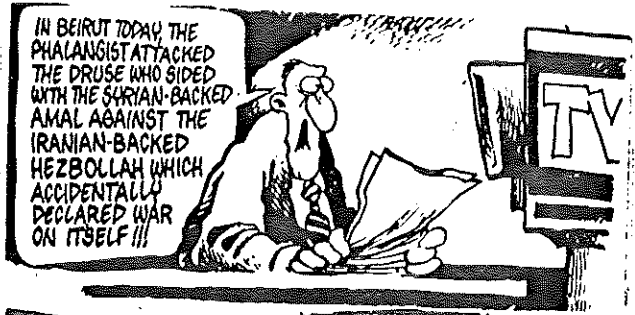
NEW ORLEANS—Lousiest idea of the day, maybe the lousiest idea of all time: pink, elephant-shaped waffles.

Several hotels housing GOP state delegations rented 800 special waffle irons to produce these things. Why pink? "Never heard of pink elephants?" a guy at the Meridien Hotel said.

## REPUBLICKIN' FARE

Runnerup lousiest idea: fried pork rinds dipped in Tabasco sauce. A company is promoting them as "Repub-lickin' good," and a tag on each packet warns: "Not to be consumed by wimps."

The company swears pork rinds and Tabasco sauce are George Bush's favorite snack and, son of a gun, that's exactly what he wrote in a list of likes and dislikes.



## HOW CRACKER CRUMBLES

OKLAHOMA CITY—Polly may want a cracker, but probably not the 350 tons this city has held in storage for 26 years.

For one thing, the Civil Defense crackers have turned rancid since being placed in storage in 1962 to prepare for possible nuclear war.

Since Tuesday, when the city council decided all 350 tons were surplus, officials have received scores of calls from people wanting to accept the cache.

Most want the crackers to feed cattle, fish or wildlife, a spokeswoman said. Another caller wanted the crackers for shipment to Third World countries.

"We have had more requests than we have crackers," said J.J. Steward, manager of Emergency Services. "They're edible, they just don't taste good."

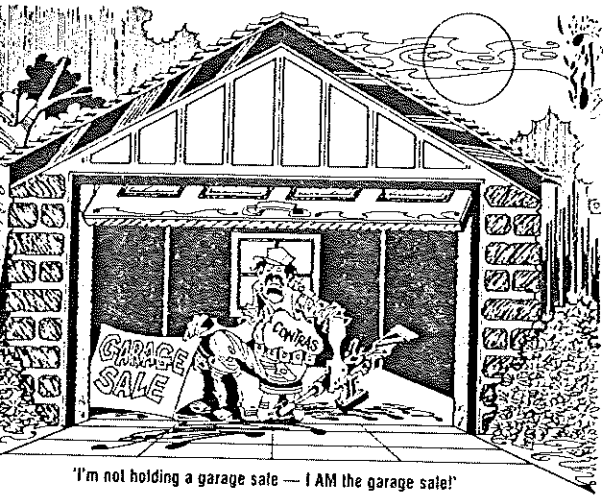
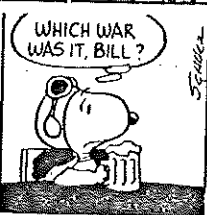
## Good try, anyway

Chicago's "Yuppie tax," a 2% surcharge on health club memberships, was declared unconstitutional.

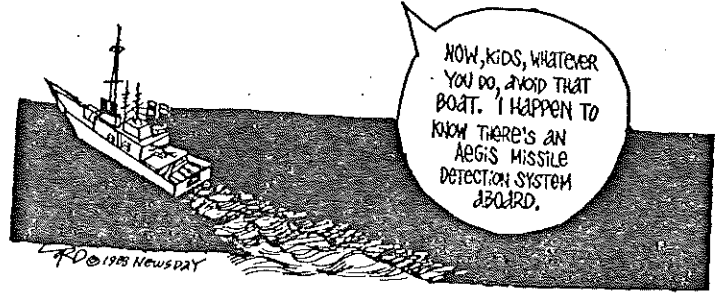
BALLANTINE's "Fall From Grace," a just-out Presidential port by Shelley Ross, says: some of our most moral leaders have been our weakest residents, while some with the most scandalous behavior have served the country the best. Politicizing only matters when a politician is reckless about it, and becomes vulnerable to blackmail because of it.



Lurking just beneath the myth lies another image of the '60s. This was the child we bore, rocked, had high hopes for, and adored, until it died a slow and painful death. What were we like when the child was alive? How did we feel when we realized it would not survive? I can barely ask these questions without becoming overwhelmed by helplessness and rage. I have never forgiven the '60s for dying on me, and never forgotten what it might have become.



"I'm not holding a garage sale — I AM the garage sale!"



1984V

TRUCE AGREEMENT ENDS WAR

ENGLAND (A. Brooks): A St.P-Mos; A Mos-Ukr; F Tri, A Rom, F Swe, F Apu & F Wes hold; F Mid-Gas; F Tus-Pie; A Ser & A Alb S F Tri; A Bul S A Ser; F Wal-Eng; F Con-Bla; F Tyr-Lyo; F Nrg-Nth; F Nat-Mid.

GERMANY (Gaughan): A Rum-Sev; A Gal-Rum; A War & A Spa hold; A Bud S A Gal-Rum; A Vie-Tri; A Boh-Gal; A Kie-Hol; A Ruh-Bel; F Bal-Den; A Bur-Mar; A Por S A Spa; A Pie-Ven; A Tyr S A Pie-Ven.

1984V, - John Boardman, GRAUSTARK  
 E - Terry Tallman (dro S10)  
 Anthony Brooks (drew F24)  
 F - Bill Drakert (out F11)  
 G - Pete Gaughan (drew F24)  
 I - Larry Sims (out F17)  
 A - Martin Lally (res S02)  
 Vincent Manna (dro F17)  
 Scott Ruffing (dro F22)  
 Curtis Gibson (out S24)  
 R - Timothy Kutta (out F07)  
 T - Ron Galicia (dro F04)  
 Eric Verheiden (out F13)

The underlined move is not possible.

The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Ank, Bul, Con, Edi, Gre, Liv, Lon, Mos, Nap, Nwy, Rom, St.P, Ser, Smy, Swe, Tri, Tun. (17)

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Bre, Bud, Den, Hol, Kie, Mar, Mun, Par, Por, Rum, Spa, Sev, Ven, Vie, War. (17)

With these moves the surviving players have agreed on a draw, and the game accordingly ends. This has been the second longest game ever played in GRAUSTARK, and was exceeded in length only by 1967U, which ended in "1928" as a two-player draw between Michael Miller's Germany and Frank Clark's Italy. As an idea of how long this game has been in play, merely note that it opened in GRAUSTARK #488 on 17 March 1984 - so long ago that Ronald Reagan,

Walter Mondale, and Gary Hart were still credible as politicians! The 14th installment of Marc Hurvitz's serial "The Great All-Star Diplomacy Game" appeared in that same issue.

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This game went on for so long because the English and German players refused to include the Austro-Hungarian player in a 3-way

draw. Seven game years and two more Austro-Hungarian players had to pass before the desired two-way draw was obtained. In the supply center chart above, an asterisk indicates a supply center for which, for some reason, a unit could not be built. Players and other readers are invited to send in their reviews of this game.

WHEN DO YOU EXPIRE?

If your name appears in the list below, your subscription to GRAUSTARK expires with the indicated issue. Subscriptions are 12 issues for \$10. This information is correct to 21 August 1988.

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| Larry Sims             | John Brennick          | 570 - Eric Verheiden   |
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1986AV

"Fall 1910"

...BUT THEY GRIND EXCEEDING SMALL

ENGLAND (Rigley): A Pie-Ven; F Wes S FRENCH F Tyr-Tun; F Hel-Kie; A Wal-Nwy; F Eng & F Nth C A Wal-Nwy; F Mid-Por; A Gas-Par; A Mun S A Ber-Sil; A Kie-Liv; A Ber-Sil; A Bur-Mar; F Bal C A Kie-Liv.

FRANCE (Drakert): F Tyr-Tun.

ITALY (Ball): F Nap-Rom; F Tun-NAT; A Tyr, F Adr & F Apu S ENGLISH A Pie-Ven.

TURKEY (Hurley): A Liv-St.P; F Sev-Mos; A Sil-Pru; A-Bul-Apu; F Aeg & F Ion C A Bul-Apu; F Ven S A Bud-Apu; A Vie-Tyr; F Tri-Adr; F Bla holds; A Gal-War; A Ser-Bud; F Gre-Alb.

Underlined moves are not possible. Italy retreats A Tyr-Boh, F Apu-Nap. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Ber, Bre, Den, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Mar, Mun, Nwy, Par, Por, Spa, Swe, (16)  
FRANCE: Tun. (1)  
ITALY: Nap, Rom. (2)  
TURKEY: Ank, Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Mos, Rum, St.P, Ser, Sev, Smy, Tri, Ven, Vie, War. (15)

England may build three new units and Turkey may build two. Italy must remove three units. The deadline for these "Winter 1910" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1988.

LONDON: Whats up turkey, are we still Allies, or do I have to kick you out of STP.  
ANKARA to ROME: You should leave a forwarding address. It would be fairly easy to turn this into a three-way tie.

1987AD

"Spring 1908"

THE COILS TIGHTEN

ENGLAND (Gaughan): F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy; A Liv-St.P; F Lyo-Tyr; F NAF-Tun; F Wes S F NAT-Tun; F Mid-NAF; F Spa(s.c.)-Lyo; F Por-Spa(s.c.).

FRANCE (Sims): A Tri-Apu((sic; no such unit exists)); F Tun-Tyr; A Ven not ordered, holds.

GERMANY (Tange): A Kie-Liv; F Bal C A Kie-Liv; A Ber-Sil; A Pru & A Mun S A Ber-Sil; A Bur-Gas; A Mar-Pie; A Hol-Kie; A Ruh S A Mun.

ITALY (Currie): F Nap holds.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Gibson): A Rom S TURKISH F Ion-Nap; F Gre.S TURKISH F Aeg-Ion; A Sil-Pru; A Tus S A Pie; A Pie S A Tus; A Tri-Tyr; A Boh & A Gal hold.

RUSSIA (Schwartz): A Mos S A War; A War S A Mos.

TURKEY (Verheiden): A Sev holds; F Ion-Nap; F Aeg-Ion; F Smy-Aeg.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Austro-Hungarian A Sil and French F Tun are dislodged and annihilated, and Italy retreats F Nap-Apu. The deadline for "Fall 1908" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1988. A proposal has been made for a draw, and players should send in their votes for or against it with these moves.

ITALY to World: Our fleet still sails by some miracle!

ITALY to GERMANY: Hello Kaiser! I have just come back from my cousins wedding in Niagara Falls, to discover my NMR. I got you message, and I agree.

ITALY to Gibby: Yes Curt, you are right, I admit it! I am sitting and doing nothing OK?

ITALY to ENGLAND: Double time! Move, Move, Move! Hurry up damn it!

ITALY to it's Allies: You're the best! Get them for me.

BERLIN to World: The Kaiser today announced he has offered Archduke Curt the position of Minister of Finance. This offer was made in response to the Archduke's recent letter claiming (a) an annual income of under \$300; and, (b) Virginity. "Anyone who can eat, pay rent, pay utilities, and still afford all the copy machine and postage costs he incurs, on such a limited budget whilst presaging General Jack D. Ripper's denial of precious bodily fluids to the opposite sex is clearly deserving of a post in my Government!" exclaimed the awe-struck monarch in response to questions shouted to him above the noise of his waiting carriage by reporters in the press pool. In response to questions thrown at him during a hastily convened press conference called to clarify the Kaiser's remarks, the Kaiser's spokesman said he was sure the Kaiser did not intend to imply the Archduke's "denial of precious bodily fluids" was applicable to only the opposite sex.

WIEN ANSCHEUER: Pres. Gibby, mystery man out of America's future, sees 1988 long remembered as 'the Brink', when great U. S. A. toppled into the Gulch in October, and Ronny dies in t White Hse., & is replaced by Geraldus Von Den Ford. World shaking events.

#### 1985CT - GAME REVIEW

SCOTT SKELLIE (Germany): I entered this game in Fall 1905 with the expectation of the world being against Germany and seeing the Empire Dennis Walker created collapse in ruins. Fortunately, France allied with me and I avoided a three-front war. With no contact with Turkey and little from England unless I wrote him, I had no choice but to fight them. In Spring 1907 I entered Constantinople and thought seriously about victory and breaking my pact with France. We had agreed on a 17/17 split after I fended off the British and took London in 1906. I chose not to and instead concentrated on trying to move into Turkey and knock England out of Scandinavia. In 1909 my strategy faltered. I chose to leave my back door open to France while conducting my campaign vs. England. France stabbed well and I never recovered. I extend congratulations to Bob for taking advantage of my lapse as soon as it occurred as there would not have been another opportunity. Towards the close of the game I continued to resist England and help the French to victory as he deserved a win and I wished to avoid total elimination.

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#### THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

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Subscriptions for non-players are 12 issues for \$10. Back issues from the beginning of 1987 are 10 for \$3. On Saturday 7 January 1989 I will throw out all back issues of GRAUSTARK and my other 'zines dating prior to 1988, so the 1987 back issues will not be available for very long.

Also available here is EMPIRE, which has the same subscription and back issue rate. I have just taken over two orphan postal games of Avalon-Hill's Conquistador in EMPIRE; one is in the 19th and the other in the 18th of the 21 Game-Turns. Stand-bys are needed; stand-bys need only pay the subscription rate for EMPIRE. If you are interested, write me for further details.

A postal game of Victory's Pax Britannica is also being organized in EMPIRE for a game fee of \$30, and there is an En Garde campaign in progress at \$20 per year. Write for information, including postal rules, if you're interested.

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"Fall 1909"

## BATTLE IS JOINED

- ENGLAND (Harkin): F Bel-Hol; F Nth S F Bel-Hol; F Bal-Kie; F Den S F Bal-Kie; F Swe S F Den; F Eng-Bel; A Bur-Ruh; F NAT-Nrg; F Edi S F NAT-Nrg.
- GERMANY (Kandara): A Ruh S RUSSIAN A Mun-Bur; A Kie-Den; F Hel-Kie; F Ber S F Hel-Kie.
- ITALY (Tucker): A Pie-Tyr; A Tri S A Pie-Tyr; F Adr S A Tri; A Alb-Ser; F Ion-Gre; F Nap-Ion; F Tyr S F Nap-Ion; F Lyo-Wes.
- RUSSIA (Sargent): A Mun-Bur; F Nwy holds; F Bar S F Nwy; A St.P-Fin; A Gal-Bud; A Ser S F Gre-Alb; F Gre-Alb; A Vie S TURKISH A Bud-Tri.
- TURKEY (Schenck): A Bud-Tri; F Aeg-Gre; A Bul S F Aeg-Gre; F Smy-Aeg; F Eas-Ion.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Italian A Alb is dislodged and annihilated, and England must retreat A Bur-Pic, -Par, -Gas, or -Mar, or remove the unit. The direction of this retreat should be sent in with the "Winter 1909" moves, which may be made conditional upon it. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Bre, Den, Edi, Hol, Liv, Lon, Par, Por, Swe. (10)

GERMANY: Ber, Kie, Mun. (3)

ITALY: Mar, Nap, Rom, Spa, Tri, Tun, Ven. (7)

RUSSIA: Mos, Nwy, Rum, St.P, Ser, Sev, Vie, War. (8)

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

England and Turkey may each build one unit, and Germany must remove one. If England retreats A Bur-Mar then Marseilles is an English rather than an Italian supply center, and Italy has a removal. If England makes this retreat or removes the dislodged unit, there will be two rather than one English builds. The deadline for these "Winter 1909" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1988. Two players have changes of address:

GERMANY: John Kandara, 601-C Sullivan Dorm, P. O. Box 16155, NCSU, Raleigh, N. C. 27607; 919-831-1203

ITALY: Richard Tucker, 1705 Stanford Ave., Metairie, La. 70003; 504-455-2935

The vote for a draw failed of unanimity, and is again submitted to the players.

DER ROTE KRIEGSPIELER to TURKEY: Yes Garret, you are one of the top people on my list. It was a hard fight, and I lost it "fair and square". Operation "Heugabel" was a complete and total failure, resulting in my capture. Kaiser Steve died in the streets of Vienna, defending his beloved city. I shall return someday, and then the world will shake! I have done what I believed was the right thing to do, and I will not apologize for my actions. I will say, however, that you are truly a GREAT leader and that Turkey is in Great hands. See you in the future, your friend Der Rote Kriegspieler. P.S. Italy must be destroyed, and I'm counting on you.

KAISER JOHN to German troops: Defend Berlin at all costs!

GERMANY to World: Germany votes "No" to a draw. We shall never surrender!

CONSTANTINOPLE CRESCENT: Turkish forces continue to press forward on a broad front, enjoying a close alliance with their brave Russian allies.

TURKEY to World: The People's Government, having concluded their (computer) literacy campaign, now stand ready to resume correspondence with the rest of Europe. All letters will be answered.

1986HI

"Winter 1908"

ENGLAND (Chang): Builds F Lon. AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Rigley): Builds A Bud, A Vie.

GERMANY (Quirk): Removes F Bal, A Pic. RUSSIA (Kwiatkowski): Builds A Sev, A War.

ITALY (Hollander): Builds A Nap.

The deadline for "Spring 1909" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1988.

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"Spring 1902"

DREITKAISERBUND?

ENGLAND (Pagano): F Edi-Nrg; F Nwy-Ska; F Nth S F Nwy-Ska; F Lon-Eng; A Bel-Ruh.  
FRANCE (Hetland): F Por-Mid; A Spa-Gas; A Mar-Pie; A Par-Pic; F Bre-Eng.  
GERMANY (Rigley): F Kie-Hel; F Ska S RUSSIAN F Swe-Nwy; A Den holds; A Mun-Ruh;  
A Hol S A Mun-Ruh.  
ITALY (Mayo): F Ion S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN F Gre; A Tus-Ven; A Pie-Mar.  
AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Schembari): A Vie-Boh; A Ser-Bul; F Gre S A Ser-Bul; A Tri-Ser;  
A Bud S A Tri-Ser.  
RUSSIA (Rosen): F Swe-Nwy; A St.P S F Swe-Nwy; A Rum-Arm; F Bla C A Rum-Arm; A Gal-Rum;  
A Mos-Sev.  
TURKEY (Snow): A Bul holds; A Ank-Con; F Aeg S A Bul; F Smy-Eas.

Underlined moves are not possible. Germany retreats F Ska-Swe. The deadline for "Fall 1902" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1988. Dave Mayo is now playing Italy. Rob Hetland's new address is St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn. 55057.

AUSTRIA to ITALY: Thanks.

AUSTRIA to TURKEY: So, who is it?

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"Spring 1907"

THE EMPIRE STRIKES FORWARD

ENGLAND (D. Martin): F Swe-Bal; A Fin-Swe; F St.P(n.c.) holds; F Lon-Eng; F Nth S F  
Lon-Eng; F Liv-Iri.  
FRANCE (Grasse): A Bur-Par.  
GERMANY (Hetland): A Bre-Par; A Hol-Kie; A Den-Swe; F Kie-Bal; A Mun-Tyr; A Sil-Ber.  
ITALY (Fader): F Por-Mid; F Spa(s.c.)-Wes; F Rom-Tyr; A Apu-Rom; F Nap-Ion; A Ven &  
A Mar hold.  
AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Stewart): F Ank-Con; A Smy-Arm; A Liv-Pru; A Pru-Ber; A Gal-Sil; A War  
S A Gal-Sil; F Tyr-Wes; A Sev-Mos; A Boh-Mun; A Tyr S A Boh-Mun; A Vie-Boh; A Tri  
S A Tyr.  
RUSSIA (P. Martin): F Con-Aeg.

Underlined moves are not possible. Germany retreats A Mun-Ruh, and the German A Sil is dislodged and annihilated. Rob Hetland is now playing Germany; his new address appears above in the report of 1988AA. The deadline for "Fall 1907" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1988.

PARIS: Let the SCHNITZEL WARS begin.

PARIS to BERLIN: BOO!!

FRANCE to ENGLAND: You think that maybe we should talk now?

PARIS: Enough is enough! Now I'm REALLY MAN!!

FRANCE to RUSSIA: If we teamed up we could increase our strength by 100%.

FRANCE to ITALY: Would you be kind enough to send a contingent of sabre wielding Bishops and Cardinals to perform the last rites ceremony? Don't forget to have them bring a Bible with them this time.

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"Spring 1904"

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## DRANG NACH OSTEN - OHNE DEUTSCHEN

ENGLAND (Ferder): A Nwy-St.P; F Bar S A Nwy-St.P; F Swe-Bot; F Den-Bal; A Edi-Den;  
F Nth C A Edi-Den; A Ber-Sil; A Kie-Ber; A Lon holds.

FRANCE (Wilson): F Bre-Mid; F Tun-Tyr; F Wes & F Lyo S F Tun-Tyr; A Mar-Pie; A Mun-  
Boh; A Bur-Mun; A Tus S GERMAN A Tyr-Ven.

GERMANY (Taylor): A Tyr-Mun.

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

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Thomas): No moves received. A Tri, A Ser, A Gal & F Ion hold; F Gre  
dislodged and annihilated.

RUSSIA (Dickerson): F Ank-Con; A Rum S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Ser-Bul; A Mos-St.P; A Liv  
S A Mos-St.P.

TURKEY (Quirk): A Sev-Ukr; A Bul-Gre; F Aeg S A Bul-Gre; F Eas-Ion.

Underlined moves are not possible. Italy retreats F Tyr-Rom. The deadline for  
"Fall 1904" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1988. Stand-by moves for Austria-Hun-  
gary should be sent in by Ronald L. Meldrum, whose new address is 115 Gannett Hall,  
University of Maine, Orono, Maine 04469. A vote for a draw has been proposed by one  
of the players, and all of them including the stand-by should send in a "Yes" or "No"  
vote on this proposal with the "Fall 1904" orders.

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"Fall 1901"

## LAND RUSH IN THE BALKANS

ENGLAND (Logue): F Nrg-Nwy; A Edi-Bel; F Nth C A Edi-Bel.

FRANCE (London): F Mid-Por; A Mar-Spa; A Bur-Mar.

GERMANY (Hawes): No moves received. A Mun, A Kie & F Hol hold.

ITALY (Austin): A Pie-Mar; A Apu-Tun; F Ion C A Apu-Tun.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Drakert): F Alb-Gre; A Ser S F Alb-Gre; A Vie-Gal.

RUSSIA (Henry): A War-Gal; A Ukr S A War-Gal; F Rum holds; F Bot-Swe.

TURKEY (Mayo): A Bul-Gre; F Con-Aeg; A Ank-Con.

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

ENGLAND: Bel, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy. (5) AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Gre, Ser, Tri, Vie. (5)

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

GERMANY: Ber, Hol, Kie, Mun. (4)

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

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

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

England, France, Russia, and Austria-Hungary may each build two units, and Turkey,  
Germany, and Italy may each build one. The deadline for these "Winter 1901" moves is  
NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1988. A stand-by build for Germany should be sent in by  
David V. A. A. Kohburn, #4, 215 St. Johns St., Arden, N. C. 28704; 704-684-2954.

PARIS: The President spoke over the Radio to the entire nation today. He asked  
for an immediate tax increase to help fund the war. He told the people that we have  
just entered a war which will cost the lives of thousands of Frenchmen. He then asked  
for a moment of silence. After which he asked the people to sing the national anthem  
along with him. There wasn't a closed mouth or a dry eye in the country.



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"THE MINISTRY OF" MISCELLANY

One week after I published my comments on the Agent Orange mess in the last issue of GRAUSTARK, Elmo R. Zumwalt III died of the effects of this defoliant at the age of 42. His father, Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt Jr., had ordered the use of this agent, and both Zumwalts continued to justify its use even when it became clear that the younger one was dying of it, and that his 11-year-old son Elmo R. Zumwalt IV, suffers a congenital dysfunction as a result of his father's exposure.

Although the Zumwalts' sufferings are a result of modern war and modern chemistry, they call to mind the grim old story of Wayland the Smith, who took his revenge upon the whole family of the evil King Nidhuh. I wonder whether the admiral's grandchildren will hold the patriotic fervor with which their father and grandfather justified the infliction of Agent Orange upon themselves and upon the people of Vietnam.

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The attacks on Jane Fonda, also mentioned in that article, continue. A week ago, at their convention in Chicago, the Veterans of Foreign Wars passed without dissent three resolutions on the matter. One of them rejected the ill-considered apology which Jane Fonda tendered in June to Vietnam veterans. Another asked Congress to put her on trial for treason.

The implacable hostility of Vietnam veterans to the concept that peace is preferable to war is leading them over the edge of rationality. Congress can put no one on trial except impeached federal officials. (Does the VFW think she is one?) But the VFW's action shows that there can be no dialog or compromise with the bloody-minded maniacs who continue to think that the American attack on Vietnam was a good idea.

Laura Palmer's column in the New York Daily News (21 & 28 August) asked readers to comment on her belief that, while the war was a good idea, the campaign against Fonda is stupid. She got 51 responses, of which 29 disagreed with her. I can confidently assert that the language used in the anti-Fonda letters could not be printed in a daily newspaper - but then, we all know what Vietnam veterans are.

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Palmer also addressed the nomination of J. Danforth Quayle III as the Republican candidate for Vice President. (Is there something about people with numbers after their names, that we don't know?) I cannot see why everyone is so mad at Quayle for going into the National Guard and thus staying out of Vietnam. Anyone who was 21 in 1968, and kept his ass out of Vietnam, deserves our respect and maybe our votes. This, remember, was a matter of saving his life! If he were drowning, should he say, "I'm not going to inflate this life raft my rich daddy gave me, because it wouldn't be fair to the men who don't have rich daddies to buy them life rafts"? Would Quayle be better liked if he had been at the bottom of the Mekong River for the last 20 years?

And what about the men whose families couldn't pull strings to get them out of Vietnam? Well, the buses still run to Canada. It is not all that difficult to get false identification and "go underground", or send a realistic looking death certificate to your draft board, or find a friendly physician to certify you as physically unfit. Every man who went to Vietnam to kill people, went there because he would rather be in Vietnam killing people than anywhere else. Spare them your tears.

Palmer, needless to say, praises the late Lt. Zumwalt and condemns Quayle. She goes so far as to call Zumwalt, who suffered nothing that he had not been willing to inflict, "an American hero". Zumwalt died. Quayle survived. If Palmer has any complaints about this, she should take them up with Charles Darwin.

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Robert Sacks, acting through the unbelievable name "Karel Alaric", has sent out Darkside Analysis - a Self-Testing Procedure. If you get one, I recommend the following answer: 1.B, 2.B, 3.C, 4.B, 5.C, 6.A, 7.C, 8.C, 9.C, 10.C. This will qualify you to be a "Bad Boy - Warn your mother to expect a letter from Bruce Linsey."

While this is good for laughs, Sacks implies that Linsey is complaining to relatives of Diplomacy players he is mad at - a group nearly indistinguishable from the entire hobby. I suppose next will come Bruxletters to employers, and to the less fastidious congressional investigating committees. Think this over the next time you feel tempted to regard Brux as a believable human being worthy of respect.

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ITALIAN PROGRESS BLOCKED

ENGLAND (Snow): F Yor-Edi; F Lon-Eng; F Cly-Liv.

FRANCE (D. Martin): A Bur-Mar; A Mar-Spa; A Gas S A Mar-Spa; F Eng-Mid; F Mid-Por.

GERMANY (Chafetz): F Nth-Nwy; F Den-Swe; A Bel holds; A Sil-Gal; A Boh S A Sil-Gal; A Mun-Tyr.

ITALY (A. Brooks): A Pie-Mar; F Spa(s.c.) S A Pie-Mar; F Ion-Eas; F Bul(s.c.) holds; F Gre & A Ser S F Bul(s.c.); A Bud-Gal; A Tyr S A Vie; A Vie S A Bud-Gal.

RUSSIA (Spera): A Edi-Liv; F Nrg-Nwy; A Mos-War; A Ukr S A Rum; "A Rum S the demilitarization of Galicia".

TURKEY (Kohburn): A Sev S F Bla-Rum; A Arm S A Sev; F Bla-Rum; F Con-Bul(s.c.); F Smy-Eas; F Aeg-Ion.

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

ENGLAND: Liv, Lon. (2)

FRANCE: Bre, Mar, Par, Por. (4)

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

ITALY: Bud, Bul, Gre, Nap, Rom, Ser, Spa, Tri, Tun, Ven, Vie. (11)

RUSSIA: Edi, Mos, Nwy, Rum, St.P, War. (6)

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

Russia and Germany may each build one new unit, and Italy may build two. England and France must each remove one unit, and Turkey must remove two. The deadline for these "Winter 1905" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1905.

ROME JOURNAL: Secret communications captured by special agents indicate that German maneuvers in the east are a decoy to mislead the French armies to move south to be followed by a blitzkrieg up north.

- Is anyone listening in Paris?

MOSCOW to LONDON: Let's talk settlement, my army will leave with your cooperation. This war is over with the former King of England's abdication. We can come to a peaceful understanding.

LONDON to PARIS: We hope that your treachery will not go unpunished.

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"Spring 1905"

FACE TO FACE IN THRACE

ENGLAND (Hollander): F Nrg-Edi; F Mid-Spa(s.c.).

FRANCE (Lilleleht): A Gas-Mar; A Bur S A Gas-Mar; F Spa(s.c.) S A Gas-Mar; A Par-Gas.

GERMANY (Chafetz): A Kie-Den; A Hol-Bel; F Eng-Lon; A Tyr-Vie; A Sil S RUSSIAN A War-Gal; A Den-Swe.

ITALY (Drakert): A Mae-Gas; F Lyo S ENGLISH F Mid-Spa(s.c.); F Rom-Tyr; F Nap-Ion; A Ven S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Tri-Tyr; F Con-Bul(e.c.); A Smy S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN F Bul(s.c.)-Con; F Eas-Aeg.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Brooker): A Tri-Tyr; A Gal holds; A Vie S A Gal; F Bul(s.c.)-Con; A Ser S ITALIAN F Con-Bul(e.c.).

RUSSIA (H. Jordan): F Edi-Cly; A Mos-Ukr; A Ukr-Gal; A War S A Ukr-Gal; F Nwy-Nth; F St.P(n.c.)-Nwy.

TURKEY (P. Martin): A Sev-Arm; F Ank-Con; F Bla S F Ank-Con.

Underlined moves are not possible. Flayers should observe that two units ordered to each other's area, each with one support, stand each other off. This is why the Italian F Con and the Austro-Hungarian F Bul(s.c.) do not exchange spaces; the fact that they were ordered to different coasts is not relevant. Furthermore, no unit can support an attack against another unit from the same country. However, the Italian support given to the Austro-Hungarian attack on Constantinople is sufficient to stand off the Turkish attack, with one support, on that same area. See Rules IX.1, IX.2, and IX.3.

The following retreats must be made:

FRANCE: F Spa(s.c.)-Dor or -Wes.

ITALY: A Mar-Pie.

GERMANY: A Tyr-Boh, -Mun, cr -Pie.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: A Gal-Rum, -Bud, or -Boh.

Any of these dislodged units may be removed instead. If two are ordered to the same area, both are removed. These retreats should be sent in by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL, so that they arrive by FRIDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 1988. They will then be sent out to all players, and the earlier they come in, the earlier they can go out. The deadline for "Fall 1905" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1988.

FRANCE to Board: Diplomacy. Can you say it with me. D-I-P-L-O-M-A-C-Y. Not G-U-N-B-O-A-T.

FRANCE to ENGLAND (on the high seas): Eoy, you're a tenacious one, ain't you?

FRANCE to TURKEY: Just wanted to say hi and wish you the best of luck. The Italian certainly is a pain in the butt, no?

BERLIN says: So Long England.

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"Spring 1910"

IM OSTEN NICHTS NEUES

FRANCE (Parents): F Wal-Eng; A Pic-Mar((sic)); A Tus-Pic((sic)); F Wes-Mid; F Nap S F Tyr((sic)); F Apu S F Ion; F Tun-Naf; A Ven-Tyr; F Ion holds; F Eng-Pic.

GERMANY (Austin): A Mos & A War S A Ukr; A Ukr S TURKISH F Bla-Rum; A Mun-Tyr; A Ber-Sil; A Kie-Ruh; F Hol-Bel; F Bel-Pic; F Nth S A Ion; F Cly-Liv; A Yor S F Cly-Liv; A Lon holds; A Bur-Mar.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Ball): A Run-Ukr; A Gal S A Rum-Ukr; A Vie-Boh; A Tyr S A Vie-Boh.

TURKEY (Skellie): A Gre-Alb; F Eas-Ion; F Aeg S F Eas-Ion; F Bla S A Sev; A Sev S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Rum-Ukr; F Tri-Alb.

Underlined moves are not possible. The deadline for "Fall 1910" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1988. Warren K. Ball's new address is 3919 Sevilla St., Tampa, Fla. 33629.

CONSTANTINOPOLE to PARIS: See what happens when you ally with a proven stabber. Germany has done to you what he did to Russia.

CONSTANTINOPOLE to GERMANY: Can we talk?

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PARIS: The President of France has ordered the immediate execution of his personal valet de chambre of many years. It has been said that when instructed by the Pres. to fashion out of linen a flag of truce to wave off the enemies of France, the valet took it upon his creative self to make that flag resemble those of the great races of Monte Carlo. It has since been discovered that the checkered flag was solely responsible for the debacle in France as it lured the directionless nations of Italy, Germany and England to its vital industrial regions.

The Pres. was quoted as saying, "The little shit still doesn't understand what he's done."

Following "Fall 1905" moves, Russia retreats A Sev-Ukr, while Germany removes the dislodged A Rom and retreats A War-Sil. Germany therefore has one build.

ENGLAND (Mason): Builds F Liv.

ITALY (Tucker): Builds A Nap.

GERMANY (Stone): Builds A Mun.

TURKEY (Rigley): Builds A Con.

The deadline for "Spring 1906" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 1988. New addresses of players are:

ENGLAND: Mike Mason, Apt. V-51, 1001 S. W. 16th St., Gainesville, Fla. 32601

ITALY: Richard Tucker, 1705 Stanford Ave., Metairie, La. 70003; 504-455-2935

RUSSIA to Sultan: Next time I'll send a letter bomb.

ST. PETERSBURG FOREIGN AFFAIRS: Secret plans of the Sultan to destabilize the Vatican puppet government of Pinnocchio II, ruler of almost all of Italy, with the usual lot of loyal janissaries and religious fanatics and sadists, have been discovered by a top notch Russian espionage team disguised as international VODKA MERCHANTS.

After sampling cases of their finest the Sultan stated, "Today Vodka, Tomorrow some fine Italian Vino. After that maybe a few new moves on those nuns, alter boys and religious statues that the Latins are so proud of, and see if they compare with the sheep and goats of Anatolia. This could be a most endearing trip."

The courteous merchants then wiped his drooling face.

RUSSIA to ITALY: Beware of Yella Greeks bearing gifts!

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BUDAPEST: Hogwash the first sends greetings, to Russia, Italy and Turkey.

NA-NA-NA-NA can't get me. I got stabled and end up fighting all of you this year, and I end up growing. Boy are we doing something wrong, ain't we.

Soon Italy will be gone and Russia To. Then its your turn Turkey, I'll save you for last.

- ( ) - You are needed as a stand-by in game \_\_\_\_\_. See page \_\_\_\_.
- ( ) - You have just taken over a position in game \_\_\_\_\_. See page \_\_\_\_.
- ( ) - You will be dropped from game \_\_\_\_\_ if you miss your next move.
- ( ) - An IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL move is due from you in game \_\_\_\_\_ by 16 September. See page \_\_\_\_.
- ( ) - Your subscription expires with this issue.
- (✓) - Your subscription will expire with the next issue.

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of CONQUIS'TADOR? See p. 5.

FIRST CLASS MAIL



"Dukakis, frankly but casually, said he would use nuclear weapons first in Europe." - New York Daily News, 12 April 1988