

GRAUSTARK

#56

"Fall-Winter 1905" (1965A); "Spring 1901" (1965JT)

18 July 1965

1965A

TURKS TAKE ROME, ENDANGER FRENCH RIVIERA

ENGLAND: A St.P-Liv; F Bot S A St.P-Liv; A Norway-St.P; F Bar S A Norway-St.P;
F North Sea-Den; F Norwegian Sea-North Sea; A Wal-Yor.

FRANCE: No moves received. As Pic, Tun, But and Fs Wes, Mid, Spa (North Coast) hold.

GERMANY: A Ber-Pru; F Bal S A Ber-Pru; A Tyr-Boh; A Mun S A Tyr-Boh; A Kle S A Mun.

ITALY: No moves received. A Tus and F Adr hold.

RUSSIA: F Liv holds; A Mos S F Liv; F War (sic) S F Liv; A Vio S TURKISH A Tri;
A Boh-Mun; A Pru-Sil.

TURKEY: A Apu-Rom; F Nap S A Apu-Rom; A Tri holds; F Alb-Adr; F Tyr-Lyo; F Aeg-Ion.

The Russian army in Bohemia is forced to retreat to Galicia. Underlined moves are not possible. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Denmark, Edinburgh, Liverpool, London, Norway, St. Petersburg, Sweden. (7)

FRANCE: Brest, Marsilles, Paris, Portugal, Spain, Tunis. (6)

GERMANY: Belgium, Berlin, Holland, Kiel, Munich. (5)

ITALY: Venice. (1)

RUSSIA: Budapest, Moscow, Rumania, Serbia, Sevastopol, Vienna, Warsaw. (7)

TURKEY: Ankara, Bulgaria, Constantinople, Greece, Naples, Rome, Smyrna, Trieste. (8)

Russia has established an army in Sevastopol, and Turkey has established a fleet in Smyrna and an army in Constantinople. Rather than require the other players to wait for Janos MacKenzie (Italy) to remove one of his two remaining units when he has obviously lost interest in the game, the Game Master removes the Italian fleet in the Adriatic. (See Rule 10, GRAUSTARK #55.) THE DEADLINE FOR "SPRING 1906" MOVES IS SATURDAY 31 JULY 1965.

WASHINGTON (7 March 1905, AP): President Watson today announced the membership of his Cabinet. In an apparent effort to allay the bitterness of last year's Presidential campaign, in which the Watson-Dobs Farmer-Labor Socialist Peace Party defeated the Democrats and the Republicans, he named one leader of each of the old parties to his cabinet. Former Vice-President Theodore Roosevelt was named Secretary of the Interior, while three times Democratic Presidential candidate William Jennings Bryan became Secretary of the Treasury. Other new cabinet members named today were Secretary of State Morris Hillquit, Secretary of the Navy Benjamin Tillman, Secretary of War William Randolph Hearst, Attorney-General Daniel De Leon, Secretary of Agriculture Robert Lafollette, and Secretary of Commerce and Labor Hiram Johnson.

The new President re-affirmed his determination to avoid involvement in the European war, and concentrate instead on domestic reforms.

ROME (18 October 1905, AP): The Eternal City was silent as a tomb today, as the first troops of the Turkish Second Army marched into the undefended capital of Italy. For the first time in fifteen centuries, the center of Catholic Christianity is under non-Christian rule. Since the collapse of the royal government two years ago virtually the only authority in Rome has been that of Pope Celestine VI, and it was he who personally surrendered the city to the Turkish general, Mustapha Bath. The Turkish government has promised to respect the property of the papacy, but a rumor persists that the Holy See will soon be moved abroad. "It is inconceivable," said an anonymous source in the Papal Secretary of State's office, "that the Pope
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STUDY WAR NO MORE

Two years ago, during a visit to my brother, I was showing my 8-year-old nephew a globe. "There's the United States," I told him, "and there's England, and France, and Germany, and Russia." "Russia," he said, "Do bad people live there?"

Of course, I told him that, like everyplace else, it had both good and bad people. But the attempt to enlist children in the cold war had me incensed. The schools have no more business inculcating into children anti-Communist or anti-Russian prejudice, than they do teaching anti-Catholic or anti-Jewish prejudice.

At last some people are beginning to recognize that such indoctrination is not in the best interests of our children. Other people besides the participants in the discussions in GRAUSTARKS #45-47 have realized that war toys and war games are not the best way to prepare children for life. Even the Lionel Toy Corporation, headed by former McCarthy aide Roy Cohn, has come out with an ad for a microscope with the heading "No boy ever held up a stereo with one of those." Apparently the long campaign by peace groups for toys less oriented towards war is beginning to bear fruit.

According to a story in the New York Times of 8 July 1965, "Same Toys for Healthy Kids" will be the theme of Lionel's 1965 advertising campaign. One of Lionel's famed toy trains is advertised with "this toy doesn't kill, bite, scream, explode, conquer, destroy, or turn into a vampire, it just toots around in a happy circle."

Of course, there is a great deal yet to do. Children's toys in recent years have followed trends in warfare to the extent that toy guerilla and spy equipment stands alongside toy "conventional" weapons on department store counters. Last year there was a "monkey gun" and an assassin for the boy counter-guerilla fighter; now it has been joined by "Zero-M" toys for budding James Bonds, such as a transistor radio that unfolds into a submachine gun.

In their attempts to make children's toys less warlike, the supporters of peace have one distinct advantage. So ashamed of war have the war-mongers become that none of them will come right out and say that "monkey guns" are necessary to prepare children for a future of defending the South Vietnamese government-of-the-week against its own people. The days when a Benjamin de Casseres can state outright that war constitutes a positive good for humanity are over, and will never come again. Toy manufacturers put such toys on the market, not in a conscious effort to indoctrinate, but simply to capitalize on current interest in guerilla and counter-guerilla warfare, and on espionage. If a loud, sustained protest against such toys is heard from parents who don't want their children prepared to be military "advisors" or Minutemen, they will be amenable to this pressure, as Lionel has already shown itself to be.

Right here in Brooklyn, progress is being made in this direction. The composer Earl Robinson has founded the Brooklyn Heights Children's Chorus, and has composed for it a cantata "When We Grow Up". According to the New York World-Telegram, "The cantata begins with songs about what children want to be when they grow up...One boy...can't decide. When pressed by other members of the chorus, he says that before he makes up his mind he's got to be sure he gets a CHANCE to grow up."

"The cantata ends with a rousing chorus to the effect that grown-ups should find a 'brand-new way, a peaceful way' to get along:

"Don't want no atom bomb, no hydrogen bomb to blow us up, rather get along together."

A beginning has been made in preparing children for peace instead of war. If these efforts are continued, such toys as the "G. I. Joe" doll and the conservative board game "Victory Over Communism" will bring so many protests and so few sales to their manufacturers that they will go off the market.

THE DIPLOMATIC POUCH

JOHN A. McCALLUM, "A" Qtrs., S. E. S., Ralston Alberta: I once considered another two team game on the Diplomacy board. A coin to be tossed to see which team picked first. That team to pick any one of the seven countries. The other team to be informed of the choice and to pick any one of the six remaining countries. The first team then to pick any one of the 5 remaining, and so on. Only in the event that Turkey was the seventh, unpicked, country to go over to 6 game rules. ((Presumably this means the rules for the 6-man game.)) (This would be absolutely necessary because Russia's unopposed fleet would have much too great an advantage in that case.) However, if one or other of the teams chooses Turkey, then the 7th country, whatever it is, to be neutral territory to be fought over just like Belgium. The initial choice of countries would have some of the aspects of Go. Whether the game would be playable or not, in reality, I don't know but I wish the East Paterson, or the Youngstown U., or some Diplomacy club would try it once or twice and see.

Of course, the game above doesn't really need two teams, it needs two players. If played by two players I think it should be insisted on that raises and **destrats** be ordered as if there were 6 countries, i. e. the raise for a French gain to be made in France and not in one of the other countries controlled by the same player.

((Team Diplomacy games in GRAUSTARK will have establishments and removals of units handled in this fashion.))

JOHN W. SMYTHE JR., Apt. W-1, 818 $\frac{1}{2}$ Forrest Ave., Evanston, Ill.: Your proposed "team" postal Diplomacy sounds interesting. But you are going to have troubles assigning countries. ((I do it by lot, as in other GRAUSTARK Diplomacy games.)) The same concept has been tried on a number of occasions among the Youngstown players --- only in this case two countries were played by an individual rather than a "team". What happened was there was always one poor soul who was "creamed" early in the game, and he invariably got stuck with one of two unavoidable combinations, unavoidable in the sense there is no way of sharing the board without having one or the other. The first combination is the "Split team", the two countries do not share a common border. The other is the "border team". ((This presumably refers to a pair of countries which do have a common border.)) Now the problem is this: if one player draws a split team and his opponents draw border teams the player with the split team generally will not last the first three years. Or, if all players draw border teams one of the players must draw a border team that is surrounded. (Some examples are: Germany-Austria, France-Italy, etc.) He will not last much longer than in the first case. So what you will have when you play is two players quickly coming to the fore, and one losing all his marbles in the first few rounds.

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About the best combination, if there is such a thing, is for the Gamesmaster to set up three split teams, Germany-Italy, England-Austria, and France-Russia, and draw for the split teams. Otherwise the game will fall prey to one of the above categories.

((But in the form of Team Diplomacy played in GRAUSTARK, two three-man teams will play against each other. Of the 10 possible ways in which the 6 powers can be divided between 2 teams, 3 are games of 2 "border teams" against each other, 6, including 1965JT, match a "border team" against a "split team", and one matches two "split teams".))

TORY ALLIANCE INVADES AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

ENGLAND: F Lon-North Sea; F Edi-Norwegian Sea; A Liv-Edi.

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

GERMANY: A Ber-Kie; F Kie-Hol; A Mun S ITALIAN A Ven-Tyr.

ITALY: A Ven-Tyr; A Rom-Ven; F Nap-Ion.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: A Bud-Gal; A Vie-Tyr; F Tri-Alb.

RUSSIA: F Sev-Rum; A War-Gal; F St.P-Bot; A Mos-St.P.

Underlined moves are not possible. The deadline for "Fall 1901" moves is SATURDAY 31 JULY 1965. Players are asked, if possible, to submit conditional establishments for their "Winter 1901" moves. Pursuant to a request by Derek Nelson (Germany), the moves for 1965JT will be published at regular 2-week intervals while communications difficulties among the Scarborough Tories continue.

Bob Lake, the captain of the Scarborough team, protests my designation of the team as "the Tories", saying, "By the way, I am a Liberal and Davey is a Socred." The Socreds, or Social Credit Party, are a right-wing group founded by a British anti-Semite and funny-money theorist named C. H. Douglas, and implanted in Canada by a Hugsy Long type named Aberhart. In the western provinces the Socreds have almost completely absorbed the Tories. This makes a Socred equal to a Tory and a half, and with such a preponderant majority, the name stands.

CANBERRA (OWI): The Prime Ministers of England, France, and Austria-Hungary today announced the signing of a mutual security alliance to be known as the Kangaroo Pact. A number of minor nations including the British Commonwealth, Spain, Portugal, Norway, and most Balkan Countries have been granted associate membership in the Pact.

Premier Ward of France has been elected Secretary-General of the Pact and Commander in Chief of the joint military forces. General Von Metzke, Chancellor of Austria, will serve as commander in chief, army, and Admiral Caroy, First Sea Lord of Great Britain, will serve as commander in chief, naval forces.

In an official communique the Pact announced that the alliance "is aimed at removing from the scene the infamous Scarborough Tories, who even now are plotting to dominate Europe. This threat is intolerable to all free nations, the gravest threat since the merger of SMERSH and THRUSH, remnants of which have joined the Tories at a high level!

In order to protect the military posture of the associate members of the pact and integrate their armed forces into the Kangaroo Joint Command, units have been ordered to those nations for defensive operations. Admiral Caroy has been directed to order all naval units into position to conduct a campaign against Germany, whose barbarian warlord Derek Nelson is the prime mover of the Tories through that boot-licking lackey Robert "The Unready" Lake, best known for his disastrous Abyssinian campaign fronts as joint commander of this gang of brigands.

KEY TO ADDRESS LABELS: "A" means that you participate in postal Diplomacy game 1965A. "J" means that you participate in 1965JT. "X" indicates that this is an exchange for your own postal Diplomacy bulletin. "G" followed by a number indicates that your subscription expires with the indicated issue. "S" means that this is a sample copy, and that you are invited to subscribe at a rate of 10 issues for \$1.00. GRAUSTARK is published by John Boardman, 592 16th St., Brooklyn, N. Y. 11218.

New entries are now being accepted for postal Diplomacy games in GRAUSTARK. For \$2.00 you may enter a game of each man for himself. Team Diplomacy entries are also available at \$3.00 for a team of 3. See GRAUSTARK #55 for postal Diplomacy rules.

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Puckett succeeds Henry Stine as Germany in 1965H (1965KM). Tzudiker's address above is final, and supersedes any addresses for him published elsewhere. Charles Wells will shortly move, and gives his itinerary and addresses:

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29 July - 9 August: 2495 Shorbrooke Tr. NE, Atlanta, Ga.

10 August - 15 August: c/o J. C. Sergeant, 818 Cheryl Lane, Lexington, Ky.

16 August (permanent): Dept. of Mathematics, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio 44106.

The following new postal Diplomacy games have been organized since the publication of GRAUSTARK #54:

1965JT - John Boardman, Graustark

E - Stephen Carey

F - Robert J. Ward

G - Derek Nelson

I - Robert Lake

A - Conrad von Metzke

R - John Davoy

1965K - Dan Brennan, Wild 'n' Woolly

E - Robert J. Ward (1965KQ)

F - Charles Wells

G - Antiquio Jose Revillagigedo

I - John McCallum or Charles Roinsel

A - Anders B. Swenson (sic)

R - Derek Nelson

T - Jerry Pournelle

NEWS DISPATCHES (continued from p. 1)

could be the subject of a non-Christian monarch. The Greek Orthodox Patriarchate of Constantinople has found it almost impossible to function under such circumstances."

As the Turkish army proceeded to issue orders governing the military rule of the conquered portions of Italy, speculation persisted that the Holy See will be moved to an as yet undisclosed location in Latin America. Rumors favored either Buenos Aires or Rio de Janeiro.

THE GAMES BUREAU

The National Fantasy Fan Federation (NEFF) has recently founded a Games Bureau, to promote the study and postal play of chess and other board games. Bureau Chairman Donald L. Miller (12315 Judson Road, Wheaton, Md. 20906) edits the Bureau's official bulletin The Gamesman and its official organ The Gamesletter. Two issues of the former publication have already been printed, and a third is scheduled for December 1965. Subscriptions to The Gamesman are 25¢ per issue, or 5 for \$1.00. The Gamesletter, a shorter bulletin, goes free to all Games Bureau members. Miller also published Yo Faerie Chessman, which deals with chess variants and is available at the same rate as The Gamesman. Yo Faerie Chessman #2 will be published in September 1965. Apparently The Gamesman deals with games other than those based on chess, while Yo Faerie Chessman is limited to chess variants.