

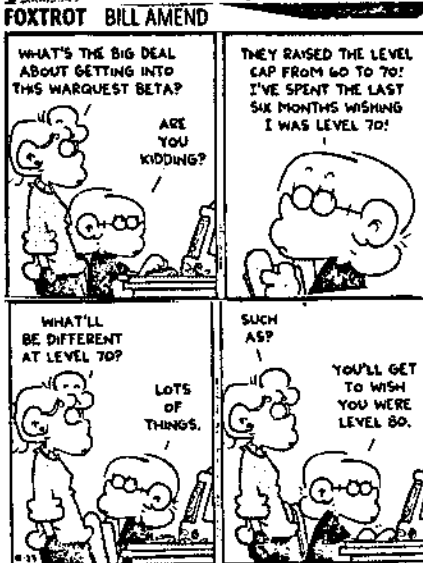
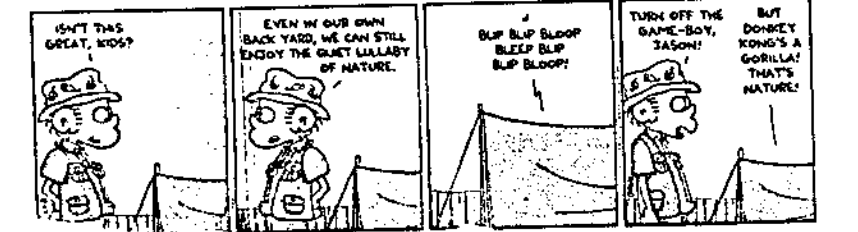
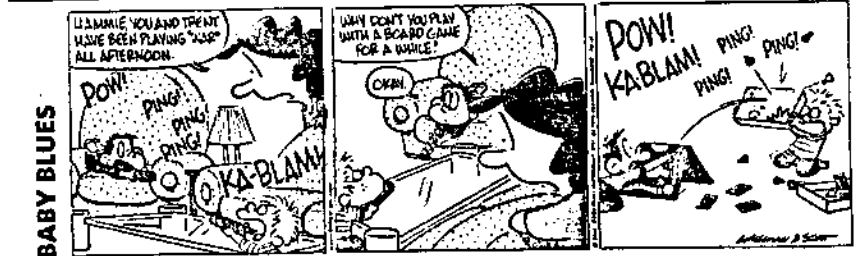
# GRAUSTARK

The first 'zine for the postal play of Diplomacy, a game of negotiation and conflict designed by Allan B. Calhamer and published by Hasbro

#782

2002D; 2004C; 2006A

29 September 2007



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Why the collage cover? Well, this is a gaming 'zine.

2002D

"Spring 1914"

## WESTERN ALLIES BREAK THROUGH

ENGLAND (Wiedemeyer): A Mos-Ukr; A St.P-Mos; F Bar-St.P(n.c.); F Nwy, F Nrg, & F Lon hold.

FRANCE (Lischett): F Ion-Gre; F Alb S F Ion-Gre; A Tri-Bud; F Apu-Ion; F Tun & F Tyr S F Apu-Ion; A Ven-Tri; A Tyr S A Ven-Tri; A Rom, A Mar, & A Par hold.

GERMANY (Quirk): A Pru S A War; A Mun S A Boh; A Sil-Gal; A War & A Boh S A Sil-Gal; A Vie S FRENCH A Tri-Bud; F Bal-Swe; F Bot-Swe.

ITALY (Verheiden): F Aeg S F Gre; F Gre S RUSSIAN A Ser-Alb; A Bud S RUSSIAN A Gal.

RUSSIA (Jordan): F Eas-Ion; A Ser-Alb; A Gal S ITALIAN A Bud; A Ukr S A Gal; A Sev S A Ukr.

Underlined moves are not possible. Italy must retreat A Bud-Rum or remove the unit, and Russia must retreat A Gal-Rum or remove the unit. However, if both armies are ordered to retreat to Rumania, both will be removed. These orders should come in by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL OR PHONE CALL, so that they arrive by FRIDAY 19 OCTOBER 2007. All players will be informed. The deadline for "Fall 1914" orders is NOON, FRIDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2007.

2004C

"Winter 1908"

## WHY GERMANS VACATION IN SPAIN

Following "Fall 1908" moves, Germany retreated "F Mid-Spa(s.c.)". This means that Spain is a German rather than a French supply center. The supply centers controlled after "1908" moves are:

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

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Bre, Den, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Mun, Nwy, St.P, Spa, Swe, War. (14)

ITALY: Bud, Gre, Nap, Rom, Tri, Tun, Ven, Vie. (8)

RUSSIA: Mos. (1)

TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Rum, Ser, Sev, Smy. (7)

The "Winter 1908" orders are:

FRANCE (Wiedemeyer): Removes A Mar, F Naf.

ITALY (Mooney): Builds A Rom.

GERMANY (Mathias): Builds A Ber, F Kie.

The deadline for "Spring 1909" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2007.

UPI: German sailors headed south for a winter holiday. Unconfirmed reports say that the weather has been unusually hot, however, and the sailors are expected to return north soon. Due to the weather, no other German forces are interested in vacationing there.

ANAKHIT, SKANDALUTZ (URRP): The Ministress for Refugees in this ancient matriarchy responded to the latest German press release by observing that not only German soldiers but also those of other warring nationalities have been heading south into the Balkan Massif. However, their purpose was not so much better weather as it was an escape from the war. "Of course," she added, "war is so frequent in the rest of Europe that it can almost be regarded as Europe's normal weather."

## WHEN DO YOU EXPIRE?

The subscriptions of the following readers expire with the indicated issue of Graustark. This information is valid to the date of 1 October 2007. See p. 6 for information about extending your subscription or joining a new game.

787 - Eric Verheiden

797 - W. Andrew York

790 - Mike Fisher

799 - Brenton Verploeg

## WHO DOESN'T GO THERE?

ENGLAND (Wiedemeyer): A Bre-Par; F Mid S GERMAN A Mar-Spa; F Nth-Nwy; F Nrg S F Nth-Nwy;  
F Eng-Bre.

FRANCE (Alme): No moves received. F Por, A Par, & A Gas hold.

GERMANY (Jordan): F Swe S ENGLISH F Nth-Nwy; A Mar-Spa; A Mun-Ber; A Ruh-Mun; A Sil-Ber.

ITALY (Burgess): A Tyr-Pie; A Alb-Gre; F Ion-Tun; F Lyo S FRENCH A Gas-Mar[sic].

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Williams): No moves received. A Tri, A Bul, F Aeg, & A Bud hold.

RUSSIA (Biehl): F Nwy-Nth; A Ank-Smy; F Con S A Ank-Smy; A Pru-War; F Bar-Nrg; A Rum S  
AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Bud-Ser[sic]; A St.P-Mos.

TURKEY (Quirk): A Ser holds; F Smy holds.

Underlined moves are not possible. Russia retreats F Nwy-Ska, and Turkey must retreat F Smy-Eas or -Syr. The direction of this Turkish retreat should be sent in with the "Winter 1903" orders, which may be made conditional upon it. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Bre, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy. (6) AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Bul, Tri, Vie. (4)

FRANCE: Mar, Par, Por. (3) RUSSIA: Ank, Con, Mos, Rum, St.P, Sev,

GERMANY: Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mun, Spa, Swe. (7) Smy, War. (8)

ITALY: Gre, Nap, Rom, Tun, Ven. (5) TURKEY: Ser. (1)

Germany may build two new units, and England, Russia, and Italy may each build one.

Turkey must remove one unit. The deadline for these "Winter 1903" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2007. Stand-by "Spring 1904" moves should be sent in for France by Eric Verheiden, and for Austria-Hungary by William E. Young. See below for information on stand-by moves. The deadline for "Spring 1904" moves is NOON, FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2007.

OSLO (Oct. 31, 1903): Admiral Smironov gazed out on the placid waters of Oslofjord. "Soon," he thought, "the mettle of the Imperial Russian Northern Fleet shall be tested versus the formidable British Navy."

## PLEASE STAND BY

I am willing to take over games that have been abandoned by their gamesmasters. So if you are a postal gamesmaster who is no longer able to publish, please get in touch with me and with the Orphan Games Director, Michael Lowrey. (See p. 9 for his address.) If the game is to continue in Graustark, I would need the addresses of all active players, the current position, and a list of who owns which supply centers. If subscription money can be passed along to me, fine. Otherwise I will ask players to join a new game in Graustark, or to subscribe to Graustark if they do not already do so. Players who resign or drop out can be replaced by Graustark stand-by players.

It is best if this is done quickly, should it be necessary. If a game is abandoned for too long, some players may lose interest, and may not continue to play when it resumes under another gamesmaster.

Stand-by players are always needed for postal Diplomacy games in Graustark. If you volunteer as a stand-by, you may be called upon whenever a current player misses a move. If you send in moves for that country for the next turn, and the present player does not, you will take over play of that position. No game fee will be asked, though you should keep your subscription current, or enroll in a new Graustark game. No stand-by will be called upon in a game in which he or she has already played.

Stand-by volunteers who are willing to take on additional games of postal Diplomacy are listed below. A stand-by player who is already playing in a Graustark game is indicated by "\*". A stand-by player who is called on in this issue is indicated by "#". If you wish your name added to or removed from this list, please let me know.

Hank Alme*	Harley Jordan*	Eric Verheiden*#	William E. Young#
John R. Biehl	Michael Quirk*	Fred Wiedemeyer*	

The campaign against Dungeons & Dragons (D&D) and other role-playing games (RPGs) seems to be conducted mainly by Christian fanatics who claim that these games, in which players fight various natural and supernatural menaces to amass treasure and experience points, are actually satanic worship services. These claims are remarkably devoid of specifics, but nevertheless assert that RPGs cause players to commit crimes, suicide, and other anti-social activities.

Such accusations are a small part of a Christian campaign to take control of every aspect of American life. This campaign is sometimes called "dominion theology" or "reconstructionism". Its principles are laid out in Rev. Rousas John Rushdoony's book *Institutes of Biblical Law*, a title clearly designed to remind us of John Calvin's influential *Institutes of the Christian Religion*. Its purpose, an authoritarian Christian "reconstruction" of our presently democratic society, is summarized by this recommendation from Rushdoony's son-in-law Gary North:

"[R]emove legal access to the franchise and to civil offices from those who refuse to become communicant members of Trinitarian churches."

For further information about RPGs and the campaign against them, get in touch with the Committee for the Advancement of Role-Playing Games (CAR-PGa) and its monthly publication *CAR-PGa Newsletter*. It is obtainable at \$12.00 a year (\$13.50 for foreign addresses) from Paul Cardwell Jr., 1127 Cedar, Bonham, TX 75418.

RPGs, played over the board, on computers, or in live-action simulations, are increasingly becoming a part of our culture. The collage cover of this issue illustrates this fact. One of the things about which Christians are excited is illustrated in that cover's lower right corner. Apparently people who are into dominance or submission can go to real-life "dungeons" where these activities are practiced, sometimes with sexual activity as well.

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At this season this Christian campaign is mainly seen not in attacks on RPGs but in concern over two upcoming holidays, Hallowe'en (the eve of "All Saints' Day") and Christmas. Both holidays are actually far older than Christianity, and are still somewhat non-Christian in character, a fact not lost on Christians. Hallowe'en dates from an era prior to the belief that after death the "souls" of the dead go elsewhere for rewards or punishments. It was once believed that on one night of the year these souls wandered around the homes of their living descendants, where food was left out for them. This is clearly the origin of "trick or treating". And Pagans once decorated their homes with greenery on the longest night of the year, presumably to assure themselves that, despite the cold weather, the days would again lengthen and someday spring would return.

In recent years, Christians have been campaigning against the observance of Hallowe'en, and complaining that there is a conspiracy to suppress the celebration of Christmas. You will find in any Christian bookshop tracts which obsess about the "diabolical" nature of Hallowe'en, and urge parents to find other activities for their children that do not involve trick-or-treating, or dressing up as witches, ghosts, or goblins. In some places in the South and West, Christians have since 1993 established Hallowe'en "Hell Houses" which allegedly show the punishment of evil-doers in Hell, and attempt to warn visitors to avoid such activities. Of course admission is charged for these "Hell Houses"; several decades ago in *Religion and the Rise of Capitalism*, R. H. Tawney described the intimate relationship between Christianity and finance.

Last year, a "Hell House" came to New York City, which followed the usual "Hell House" script but was not exactly presented as a serious warning against the dangers of Hell. (For that script, send \$300 for a "Hell House Outreach Kit" to Rev. Keenan Roberts of the New Destiny Christian Science Center in suburban Denver. (*Newsday*, 9 October 2006)) It was presented in a three-week run at St. Ann's Warehouse in downtown Brooklyn, the playhouse of a liberal Episcopalian church, and featured such horrors as a teen-age girl who takes a morning-after pill, and who has a Harry Potter poster over her

## PATRIOTISM - LV

PATRIOTISM is the principal cause of war.

PATRIOTISM is the unprincipled cause of war.

PATRIOTISM is attacking the American Civil Liberties Union as "terrorist" even though these attacks have caused people concerned about the survival of civil liberties to increase the membership and income of that organization to their highest levels in its 87-year history.

PATRIOTISM is the claim of Mike McConnell, Director of National Intelligence, "that the new surveillance powers recently given to the government helped foil a terrorist plot in Germany." (*New York Times*, 13 September 2007) McConnell was later forced to admit that this was not so.

PATRIOTISM is the refusal by Governor Schwarzenhender to allow California voters to vote on "whether the president should end the United States occupation of Iraq."

PATRIOTISM is a Democratic Congress passing the "Protect America Act of 2007, radically expanding the warrantless surveillance of telephone calls and e-mails when Americans communicate with people outside the country or are called by someone 'reasonably' linked to terrorism." (Nat Hentoff, *Village Voice*, 12 September 2007)

PATRIOTISM is the requirement of the Defense Appropriations Act of 2006, allowing the President "to declare martial law and use the military as a domestic police force in response to a natural disaster, disease outbreak, terrorist attack, or any 'other condition' that undermines public order." (*Ibid.*)

PATRIOTISM is the report in the *Wall Street Journal* of 8 August 2002, that internment camps are planned for American Muslims.

PATRIOTISM is the allegedly legal concept of "combat immunity", the idea that murder, rape, arson, theft, and other crimes are excused if they take place during a war.

PATRIOTISM is high indignation over any American soldier who might get arrested by the government of a nation invaded by American troops during a war for any of these crimes. An American claim of "combat immunity" would be met by that government's observation that no war exists, since none was declared by Congress as required by the U. S. Constitution, and that therefore such soldiers have been arrested for personal criminal actions.

PATRIOTISM is whining about an attack on General Betray Us for a political defense of the American conquest of Iraq which owes nothing to America's best interests.

PATRIOTISM is the American employment of almost 200,000 mercenaries in Iraq, over and above the approximately 160,000 troops. (They're called "contractors" and are employed by "private war companies".) (*The Independent*, 10 August 2007)

PATRIOTISM is ignoring any distinction between mercenaries and terrorists.

PATRIOTISM is overlooking Machiavelli's description of mercenaries as "soldiers formidable to everyone except the enemy."

PATRIOTISM is the deletion, by the "social networking" website Facebook, of an Atheistic and anti-Islamic website. (*New York Times*, 10 September 2007)

PATRIOTISM is the claim, by the Department of "Justice", that "a July ruling requiring the government to disclose virtually all its information on Guantánamo detainees could cause exceptionally grave damage to the national security." (*New York Times*, 12 September 2007)

PATRIOTISM is the attempt by a group which actually calls itself "Students for Academic Freedom" but is trying to prevent university instructors from presenting in classrooms ideas of which this group doesn't approve. (American Association of University Professors, "Freedom in the Classroom (2007)"; *Newsday*, 11 September 2007)

PATRIOTISM is "a secret court that considers warrants for National Security Agency surveillance" and only meets inside the Department of "Justice", and is subject to the oversight of the Attorney General.

PATRIOTISM is government programs to eliminate obesity. (How can they draft you to die in the Muddle East if you're a big fat slob?)

PATRIOTISM is jerking tears over American casualties in Iraq. (Remember, this is an all-volunteer army, which means that American servicemen would rather be killing Arabs than doing anything else in the whole wide world.)

PATRIOTISM is the principal cause of war.

## THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

Today's Terrorism Alert Color Code is white with bright scarlet lettering, since "terrorism" is really nothing more than a Republican bumper sticker.

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Graustark is the Very First bulletin for the postal play of Diplomacy. It is published every fourth Saturday by John Boardman, 234 East 19th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11226-5302. Diplomacy is a board game of negotiation and conflict for the period of World War I. It was designed by Allan B. Calhmer and is now published by Hasbro. Another new postal Diplomacy game is now being organized in Graustark, at a game fee of \$35. (For Canadian and Mexican addresses the game fee is \$50, and for other foreign addresses it is \$100, or 75 euros in cash.) This game fee includes a subscription to Graustark for as long as the game lasts, whether or not you are eliminated. With your game fee send in a list of the countries you'd like to play, in your order of preference, and I'll try to put you as close to the top of that list as I can. If you do not already have the postal rules for Diplomacy, which were last published in Graustark-#749, let me know when you send in your game fee, and I'll send you a copy.

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P Great  
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Graustark subscriptions for non-players are 10 issues for \$15 for U. S. addresses, and \$40 or 30 euros for others. Back issues as available are 10 issues for \$5 for U. S. addresses. To foreign addresses, back issues have the same price as for foreign subscriptions. Players who phone in their moves should call me at 718-693-1579. An answering machine is attached to this phone.

# 2138

I want to again remind players that the U. S. Postal "Service" is not capable of reliably getting mail here in less than a week. Please take this into account in sending in your moves. If, a few times, your moves have arrived here by mail in less than a week, do not assume that this will always be the case.

Graustark readers who are interested in postal games which don't run here, are invited to write to the publishers of 'zines with which I trade, and ask what game openings they have. For their addresses, see all the readers indicated by "(T)" for "trade" in the Graustark Directory on pp. 8-9. Several of these publishers run a wide variety of postal games.

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People who receive Graustark mainly for the reviews of mystery novels with historical settings are assured that I plan to resume them soon. Lately my wife's illness has demanded much of my time, and I have not been able to read several such novels that I plan eventually to review. However, I expect to get to them again, and plan to have a review in the next issue. In the meantime, I invite Graustark readers to send in their reviews of such novels.

By the way, there is a possibility of confusion between two mystery novels both set in ancient Rome. John Maddox Roberts' *SPQR V: Saturnalia* (1999), set in 59 BCE, was reviewed in Graustark #708. Lindsay Davis' *Saturnalia* (2007), set in about 76 CE, has not yet been reviewed here. Both titles, of course, refer to the ancient Roman year-end festival Saturnalia, which has transmitted to our Christmas celebrations many of its features including feasting and the giving of gifts.

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An inquiry about postal Diplomacy and Graustark has been sent in by Berend Renken, Apt. 303, 10545 Greenwood Ave. N, Seattle, WA 98133-8781. Other postal Diplomacy publishers should send him copies of their 'zines.

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In 1998 was produced a film *Elizabeth*, starring Cate Blanchett in the title role, and presenting the turmoils of the early years of the reign of Elizabeth the Great. It culminated in the 1572 arrest, trial, and execution of the Duke of Norfolk, who had plotted to assassinate her and put Mary Queen of Scots - er - Scots on her throne.

From this film and its young Elizabeth we are now going to its sequel *Elizabeth: The Golden Age*, which will shortly open. To judge from the previews, it will deal principally with the most decisive event of her reign, the Armada campaign. There has never been a really good play or film about this decisive event, and I am anticipating a dramatic treatment of the ambitious Spanish attempt to conquer England, and its crushing

failure. In particular, we can expect a powerful scene in which Queen Elizabeth addresses the militia muster at Tilbury Fort, giving one of the greatest speeches in the history of the English language.

The Armada's failure had consequences that reached far into the future. Three more times England had to defy a master of most of Europe and his plans for the naval invasion and conquest of England, and each time England made this defiance good before history. The defeat of the Armada was an obvious inspiration for those subsequent campaigns. And it would not be too much to say that we speak English and live under essentially English institutions because of the defeat of the Armada.

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My recent description of the new postal rates observed that, for the "large envelope" rate, the cost is 80c for the first ounce and 17c for each additional ounce up to 13 ounces. This means that \$2.84 is the postage for a first-class 13-ounce envelope, while anything between 13 and 16 ounces must go at a "Priority Mail" rate of \$4.60.

But there is a bit more to it than this. Anything weighing over 13 ounces can no longer just be dropped in a mailbox, but must be presented at a post office window. This is supposed to be done for reasons of "security".

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And if you think this emphasis on "security" is getting a bit ridiculous, we recently had an incident in New York Harbor which shows that "a bit ridiculous" is a major understatement. Apparently we are in danger from an 18th-century submarine.

No, I am not making up this incident. It came to my attention as the result of an intersection between national history and family history. On 3 August 2007 was launched, off Red Hook, Brooklyn, a replica of the world's first combat submarine, launched in September 1776 for a planned attack on the British warships then blockading New York harbor. The original submarine, the *Turtle*, had been built by my cousin, David Bushnell (1742-1824). Duke Riley's 2007 replica was the same size, but built mainly of plywood and fiberglass rather than oak like the original. It does not resemble a sleek modern submarine, but was egg-shaped, 6 feet high and 7½ feet wide.

Riley and two co-workers, Michael Kushing and Jesse Bushnell, towed their *Turtle* with a rubber raft to within 100 feet of the *Queen Mary 2*, then moored at a Red Hook dock. The police and the Coast Guard pressed the panic button, and descended on Riley's submarine with helicopters, police boats, and machine guns. Riley was charged with violating the *Queen Mary 2*'s "security zone", with unsafe boating, and with "marine mischief". His submarine was confiscated, but eventually it will be displayed in a gallery in Chelsea.

One report claimed that Jesse Bushnell, who runs a bicycle shop in Providence, is a descendant of David Bushnell. I can easily believe that he is a relative, but descendants of David Bushnell (if any) are more likely to be found in the South. David Bushnell eventually moved to Georgia, changed his name to "Bush", and entered the practice of medicine. (No, he is unrelated to the presidential family.) There is a possibility that he might have trained southerners in the construction of submarines, since they built them and tried to use them against the U. S. Navy blockade during the Slaveholders' Rebellion.

(*New York Times* and *Newsday*, 4 August 2007; *New York Daily News*, 5 August 2007; *Park Slope Courier-Life*, 10 August 2007)

Incidentally, David Bushnell's *Turtle* was also something of a failure. Its operator planned to drill a hole in the side of *HMS Eagle* and plant a bomb there, but the *Eagle*'s hull had been sheathed with metal to avoid marine parasites, and the drill bit could not penetrate it. The *Turtle*'s bombs were eventually taken to the Delaware River, where they were made into mines which did some damage to British shipping.

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The next deadline dates for Graustark postal Diplomacy moves are 30 November 2007 and 28 December 2007. This is an attempt to get my 'zine deadlines back into regular schedules. It is my intention to publish Graustark and by science-fiction fanzine Dagon at intervals of two weeks with each other, to give myself more time to prepare each. For example, the next three publication dates of Graustark will be 3 November, 1 December, and 29 December, and the next publication dates of Dagon and of APA-Q, an



## THE GRAUSTARK DIRECTORY

Players in a current postal Diplomacy games are indicated by its Boardman Number, with the initial of the country being played, and with "S" indicating a substitute player. (E. g., "2006A-R" or "2002D-FS".) Paying subscribers will be indicated by the number of the issue with which the subscription expires. Other designations are:

- C: complimentary copy for a gamer
- N: entrant in the next Graustark postal Diplomacy game
- R: complimentary copy for a non-gamer interested in the mystery novel reviews
- T: trade copy
- U: uncomplimentary copy

This directory is accurate to the date of 1 July 2007. Please let me know of any corrections or additions that need to be made, particularly if you want your nine-digit ZIP code, phone number, fax number, or e-mail address added to your listing. This is particularly important for electronic addresses, which seem to change more frequently than do postal addresses.

If you are already a Graustark subscriber when you decide to send in a game fee, then when the game begins, the number of issues you had coming when you joined will be added to your subscription once the game ends. After your name in the Directory will appear some such notation as "2004C-T+6".

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bed. Rev. Roberts saw the production and approved it, although most of its audiences, and the newspaper reviews, clearly saw it as poking fun at Christianity. Apparently that "Hell House" production has served its purpose, because I have seen no announcements for a repetition this year. If "Hell Houses" are presented elsewhere, I would appreciate hearing from readers about them.

The alleged attempt to "suppress" the observance of Christmas arises from the fact that several different religions have holidays at that time of year, and that anyone making a public commemoration of them is likely to wish fellow Americans the inclusive greeting "Happy Holidays" or "Season's Greetings". Such a recognition of our society's multi-cultural character has made some Christians unhappy, and they have lately taken to boycotting stores which just put the words "Happy Holidays" in their advertisements or decorations.

For such Christians it is not enough that they have the legal right to decorate their own homes, churches, and businesses for Christmas. They demand, in despite of the Constitution, that Christmas must be an official public observance, using the properties

of public buildings and the pronouncements of public officials, to the exclusion of anyone else's holidays.

Let us have no illusions concerning Christian complaints about a "war against Christmas". They are part of a Christian demand that our society be legally proclaimed a Christian society, to the exclusion of any other religion. Failure to do this is regarded by them as "anti-Christian".

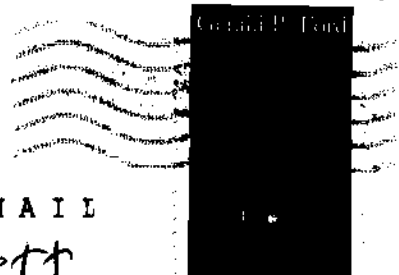
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