

# GRAUSTARK

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1965L, 1965Q, 1966Q, 1966R

12 June 1966

1965L "Spring 1908"

VICTORY IMMINENT IN BALKANS, SAYS TSAR  
GOD IMMANENT EVERYWHERE, SAYS POPE

FRANCE (Davidson): A Rom-Apu; A Mar-Pic;  
F Tyr-Rom.

GERMANY (Clark): F North Sea-Norwegian Sea;  
F Hol-North Sea; A Kie-Hol; A Ber holds;  
A Bel-Ruh; F Bre-Mid; A Par-Bur; A Bur-  
Mar; A Gas S A Bur-Mar; F Spa-Lyo; A  
Mun-Tyr; A Tyr-Yon; A Tus-Rom; A Apu-Nap.

RUSSIA (Koning): F Mid-North Africa; F Wos  
S F Mid-North Africa; F North Atlantic  
S GERMAN F Ere-Mid; F Bar holds; F Bla-  
Con; F Ank S F Bla-Con; A Arm-Syr; A  
War-Gal; A Sev-Arm; A Rum S A Bul; A  
Bul S A Ser-Cre; A Ser-Gre; A Alb S A  
Ser-Cre.

TURKEY (Swenson): F Nap S FRENCH A Rom-Apu;  
A Con-Smy; A Gre holds; F Ion not or-  
dered, holds.

Underlined moves are not possible.  
The German army in Apulia and the Turkish  
army in Greece are annihilated. The dead-  
line for "Fall 1908" moves is SATURDAY 25  
JUNE 1966.

1966R "Winter 1901"

NO NEW ENGLISH FORCES RECRUITED!

ENGLAND (Latimer): No moves received.  
FRANCE (Berman): Builds A Mar, A Par, F Bre.  
GERMANY (Lebling): Builds A Kie.  
AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Uhr): Builds A Vie.  
RUSSIA (Levinson): Builds F St.P (north  
coast); A War.  
TURKEY (Gemignani): Builds A Smy.

England's build must be deferred to  
"Winter 1902". The deadline for "Spring  
1902" moves is SATURDAY 25 JUNE 1966.

Press releases in 1966R are on p. 2.

1965Q "Spring 1906"

ANGLO-GERMAN ALLIANCE SEIZES SCANDINAVIA;  
RUSSIANS AND FRENCH AT WALL

ENGLAND (Koning): A Lon-Norway; F North  
Sea C A Lon-Norway; F Norwegian Sea  
S A Lon-Norway.

FRANCE (Whalen): F Mid-Bre; A Spa S  
A Mar; A Mar S A Spa.

GERMANY (Smythe): A Bur-Mar; A Gas S  
A Bur-Mar; A Bre S A Gas; F Eng-Mid;  
F Kie-Bal; A Hol-Kie; A Mun-Gil;  
F Den-Swo.

ITALY (Berman & Reinstein): A Tyr-Boh;  
A Tri holds; A Ven-Tyr; F Tyr S  
F Ion; F Ion S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN  
F Alb-Gre.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (K. Pattee): A Sev-Ukr;  
A Mos-St.P; A Gal-Vie; A Bud S  
A Gal-Vie; A Bul-Ser; A Rum S A Bul-  
Ser; F Alb-Tri.

RUSSIA (Swenson): F Norway holds; A Ukr-  
Mos; A St.P S F Norway; A War-Gal.

TURKEY (Kuch): F Eas-Ion; F Aeg S F Eas-  
Ion; A Gre & F Con hold.

Underlined moves are not possible.  
The deadline for "Fall 1906" moves is  
SATURDAY 25 JUNE 1966.

CONSTANTINOPLE: Reports reaching  
here today indicated that the last of-  
ficial act issued by the now-abdicated  
Czar of Russia was to make pacifism a  
capital offence, in an attempt to buoy  
up Russian spirit for the unpopular war  
against Austria. He also ordered all  
mail to bear an Imperial Eagle, cou-  
chant, just below the Zip code. This  
plan failed when the eagles refused to  
cooperate; several postmen were clawed  
badly.

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1965Q (continued from p. 1)

ATHENS: Rumors of an Austro-Turkish detente are sweeping Greece. I am afraid our little nation will soon be the scene of bloody conflict between the Austro-Turks and the Italians. - Spiros Preposterous, Celestial Minister of Information.

BERLIN (April 1, 1906): The Foreign Ministry early this morning made public that Germany has declared war on Russia. In a note handed the Russian Ambassador the government made it clear that recent Russian attacks made upon German naval units were the cause. It continued, "the blatant disregard of treaties and sworn pledges can no longer be ignored. Germany is forced to answer force with force."

KOENIGSBURG (April 4, 1906): At nine o'clock this morning the Imperial Fleet made contact with an undetermined number of enemy warships attempting to raid the coast of Pomerania. In a fierce three-hour naval engagement four of the enemy ships were sunk and several were observed fleeing with their decks aflame. No casualties were suffered by the German squadrons. Reports from the flagship Pomeran describe the situation to be under complete control. The Third Battle Squadron, reinforced by the Second Battle Squadron, has wrested control of the Gulf of Pomerania and the Baltic Sea from the enemy.

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

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NOTE: In the "Spring 1906" moves of 1965Q, the Russian fleet in Norway is dislodged and must retreat to either the Skagerrak or to the Barents Sea. The player for Russia must send in this retreat with his "Fall 1906" moves. Other players may make their "Fall 1906" moves conditional on the direction of the Russian retreat.

## PRESS RELEASES - 1966R

WARSAW (January 5, 1902): The Warsaw recruiting office reported that enlistments in December reached an all-time high. Because of this, Grand Duke Fyodor has authorized the formation of a Polish contingent of the Russian Army and withdrew his request for a draft law.

ARCHANGEL (January 10, 1902): The White Sea Naval District, a research group of the Academy of Sciences, has announced the completion of a permanent ice-free channel to the Atlantic. The discovery of an inexpensive method using undersea lava vents, as stated by Dr. Minivar Tursunov, seems impossible, and is disbelieved by most scientists interviewed. The channel, over two miles wide, does exist, however, and contracts have been awarded to local firms for the construction of an Arctic fleet.

BERLIN: Prince Otto returned from London with the news that the British consider their interests to be incompatible with those of the Reich, a development which surprised few in the government. He also revealed that the French had signed a long-term treaty of alliance with the Saxons which, coming two days after the French invasion, was not much of a shock either.

LONDON: German betters have collected heavy winnings on Prince Otto's English trip. The attempts of several of the best British cutthroats, saboteurs, and assassins to do him in have all failed, and even Lady-Luck, assisted by an ocean liner in London harbor, was unsuccessful. It is reported from Lloyd's that the odds on his reaching 200 near-fatal accidents have dropped to 3-2.

LONDON: The recent shake-up in the cabinet was caused, it was revealed yesterday, by heavy gambling by the ministers affected. "That will teach them to monkey around with Germans," the Prime Minister was heard to remark.

BERLIN: The Reichstag voted unanimously to break diplomatic relations with the Republic of France "in view of their cowardly attempt to intimidate the government

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1966Q

"Fall 1906 - Spring 1907"

## GERMAN ANABASIS REACHES SPAIN; FRENCH CABINET FALLS

"Fall 1906"

ENGLAND (Jacobs): F Kie holds; F Bel S RUSSIAN F Ska-North Sea; F Hol S F Bel.

FRANCE (Sadowsky): F Cly-Norwegian Sea; A Edi holds; F Eng-North Sea; F Lon S  
F Eng-North Sea; A Pic-Par; F Lyo-Tyr; A Pie-Mar; A Rom-Ven; F Apu-Nap;  
F Ion holds.

GERMANY (Boardman): A Bur-Cas; A Pru-Ber.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Salamo): A Tus Ven; A Tri & A Tyr S A Tus-Ven; A Boh S A Tyr;  
A Vie & A Bud hold.RUSSIA (Aita): A Mun-Bur; A Sil-Mun; A Mos-War; F North Sea-Norway; F Ska-North  
Sea; F Den S F Ska-North Sea.TURKEY (Berman): A Sev-Rum; A Bul S A Sev-Rum; A Alb holds; F Eas-Ion; F Gre &  
F Aeg S F Eas-Ion.Underlined moves are not possible. The French fleet in the Ionian Sea retreats  
to Tunis. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bol, Hol, Kie. (3)

FRANCE: Bre, Edi, Liv, Lon, Mar, Nap, Par,  
Por, Rom, Spa, Tun. (11)

GERMANY: Ber. (1)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Scr, Tri, Ven,  
Vie. (5)RUSSIA: Den, Mos, Mun, Nor, St.P,  
Swc, War. (7)TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Gre, Rum,  
Sev, Smy. (7)

The builds and removals are:

FRANCE: Builds A Bre.

GERMANY: Removes A Ber.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Removes A Boh.

RUSSIA: Builds F St.P (north coast).

TURKEY: Builds F Smy.

"Spring 1907"

ENGLAND: F Hol-North Sea; F Bel S F Hol-North Sea; F Kie-Hol.

FRANCE: F Eng holds; A Bre-Gas; F Lon-North Sea; A Edi holds; A Par-Bur; A Mar  
S A Bre-Gas; A Rom-Ven; F Nap-Ion; F Tyr-Lyo; F Tun S F Nap-Ion; F Norwegian  
Sea-Bar.GERMANY: A Gas-Mar.AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: A Bud-Gal; A Vie-Bud; A Tri-Scr; A Tyr-Tri; A Ven S TURKISH  
A Alb-Apu.RUSSIA: F St.P-Bar; F North Sea-Norwegian Sea; F Norway S F North Sea-Norwegian Sea;  
F Don S ENGLISH F Hol-North Sea; A War-Sil; A Bur-Pic; A Mun-Bur.TURKEY: A Alb-Apu; F Ion C A Alb-Apu; F Gre & F Aeg S F Ion; A Rum-Gal; A Bul-Rum;  
F Smy-Eas.

The German army in Gascony retreats to Spain. The French fleet in the Norwegian Sea may retreat to either the North Atlantic or to Clyde.

At this point play in 1966Q is suspended, owing to the end of the academic year at Brooklyn College. Mark Sadowsky is going to Europe for the summer, and has resigned France. Since the game is to be continued by mail under my Games-mastership, I must resign Germany. New entrants for these countries are solicited. The entry fee for France will be a half-price fee of \$1.50, since the game is about half over. No entry fee will be charged for Germany. As soon as these places are filled, the game will continue. Any player signing on as France should include with his fee the direction of the French retreat. As soon as new players are recruited, a deadline will be set for "Fall 1907" moves.

Addresses of the other players are:

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TURKEY: Donald Berman, 1860 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y. 11225

MAXBURG (Formerly Barcelona) (26 June 1907): Kaiser Max III and the Imperial Court today formally established this Spanish city as the Capital-in-Exile of the 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ th Reich. At the head of the German First Army, the sole remaining German armed force, the Kaiser has just completed an amazing march through hostile French territory. The recent resignation of the French cabinet makes more secure the German refuge in Iberia.

Despite the defeats suffered by German arms, and the occupation of the Fatherland by Russian and English forces, most features of life at the Imperial Court remain unchanged. The Kaiserin's firm hand still controls the expenses of the Imperial Household, and is from time to time interposed to moderate the Kaiser's wrath against his prankish stepsons. The Kaiser continues to play pinochle with the Prime Minister, and the Prime Minister continues to hide extra cards in his long white whiskers. They are frequently joined over the cards, cigars, and schnapps by the King of the Squiji Islands, an old friend of the Kaiser's from when he was merely German consul there. Princes Johann and Friedrich still plot rascality involving firecrackers, loaded cigars, buckets of water, or wildcats hidden in pillows. Prince Rudolf von Rhabarber continues to expose their plots to the Kaiser, and his sister Princess Helena tips off Johann and Friedrich when her brother makes such counterplots. And the court tutor, the Freifrau von Daumendreh, is driven frantic by these youthful antics.

Only minor changes reflect the desperate retreat to Spain: the Kaiser has switched from schnapps to cognac, the Kaiserin has begun to experiment with chilis in the hasenpfeffer, and Princes Johann and Friedrich put fighting bulls instead of donkeys in Prince Rudolf's bedroom.

Meanwhile, German prospects in the war still look dim. Though the German First and Only Army has temporarily reached a safe refuge in Spain, three French forces are poised to drive it out. It is inconceivable that any new French government would leave the Germans in their rear while fighting off the anti-French coalition which governs the rest of Europe. And the Last Chance Division, last quartered in Berlin, has disbanded to emigrate en masse to Milwaukee, where high wages are being offered in the breweries. The only remnants of this rag-tag force is a company from the Squiji Islands, and they are prepared to go home and apply for independence to the United Nations as soon as it is founded.

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## THE ADVENTURES OF SECRET AGENT O-O-HATE

## Chapter I

Outwardly, the home of Clark Gunsel in the sleepy little town of Bugle, Pennsylvania does not differ from its neighbors. Only a handful of people know that beneath this house is the secret den and bomb-shelter, lined with rare first edition comic books, which is the base of operations of Secret Agent O-O-Hate. Here he receives urgent summonses on the Knot Line, a stretched string which joins a tomato can in the den to a bean can in the Washington office of his superior, known only as "Mac".

O-O-Hate's latest adventure against the International Pacifist Conspiracy began one evening as he sat musing amidst his trophies in the den. His eyes swept lovingly over the white cane wrested from an anti-war demonstrator in Baltimore, the six-inch-wide nuclear disarmament button he had worn as an infiltrator into SANE, and the charred shoe taken from the corpse of a pacifist who had burned himself alive in front of the Pentagon. Then they came to rest, as they always did, on the finest collection of comic books in the world. "Here are the true classics of our time," O-O-Hate said softly to himself. "When all the pornography of Mailer and Baldwin is forgotten, the works of Schuster and Siegel, of Capp and Eisner, will rank among the glories of American literature."

He had just taken down a first-folio Batman, from the rare pre-Robin period, and was immersing himself in the gripping narrative when the Knot Line rang. O-O-Hate sprung from his chair with a cry of, "Away, fond pleasure! Duty calls!" and picked up the tomato can. "O-O-Hate here!" he snapped crisply.

"O-O-Hate, we need you in Washington at once," Mac said without preliminaries. "A dastardly anti-war plot has just come to light here. Certain peaceniks, aided by red agents in the government, have placed the statue of a peacenik amidst our national shrines on the Mall. For the sake of the American Way of War, we need you here to track down this outrage!"

"I'll be right there!" O-O-Hate vowed. "But who is the bearded anti-war agitator whose statue has been infiltrated onto the Mall?"

"Abraham Lincoln!"

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and people of the Reich by force of arms." Surprisingly, the assembly also passed a measure making the teaching of French and English compulsory in the schools. "It is so that our new subjects will be able to understand our directives more clearly," noted the Chancellor, who was heard to mutter: "Le francais est fou, la francaise est folle, les francais sont fou."

CONSTANTINOPLE: Turkey wishes to offer the nations of Europe a deal. Her friendship is up for bids. (Isn't everyone nations?) The highest bid may help her in her justifiable war in Europe. Those wishing Turkey's help should make an offer. Turkey is honest, honorable and gives good deals. Germany and Italy are most welcome.

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Jack Chalker, publisher of the NFFF Games Bureau Diplomacy bulletin Barad-Dur, announces in the 22nd issue of that publication the rules for 9-man postal Diplomacy. Several new supply centers have been added to the standard map, and two new powers, Scandinavia and the Barbary Coast. In addition, neutral supply centers are guarded by native armies and must be conquered by superior force. For further information write Chalker at 5111 Liberty Heights Ave., Baltimore, Md. 21207. The entry fee is \$3.00.

## POSTAL DIPLOMACY ROSTER: ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS

1964D - E - Phil Castora (dro F12)  
Earl Thompson

1965U - I - Jock Root (res S04)  
Charles Wells

1965W - I - Joel Sattel (out F04)

1966W (corrections)

G - Mike Jaske  
A - Tim McDermott

1966Y - Charles Wells, Lonely Mountain

E - John Koning  
F - Hank Roinhardt  
G - W. C. Adams  
I - James Dygert  
A - Charles Brannan  
R - Al Scott  
T - Derek Nelson

1966Z - Charles Brannan, Wild 'n' Woolly

E - John Koning (1966KQ)  
F - Terry Kuch  
G - Bob Speed

I - SDD&CBW \*  
A - Roland Tzudiker  
R - Ken Davidson  
T - Christine Keogh

\* - San Diego Diplomacy & Cheap  
Beer Warehouse, c/o Conrad von  
Metzke

1966AA - John Boardman, Graustark

E - James Dygert  
F - John Smythe  
G - James Latimer  
I - Michael Aita  
A - Rod Walker  
R - Robert Lake  
T - Earl Thompson

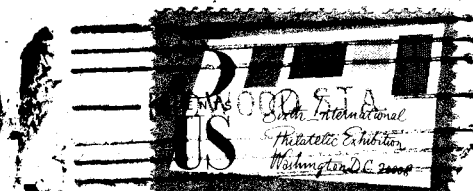
1966AB - Ron Bounds, Orthanc (GB-1966-H)

E - Charles Brannan  
F - Michael Hakulin  
G - Joel Sattel  
I - Margaret Gemignani  
A - Charles Reinsel  
R - Mark Owings  
T - James Latimer

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It is not yet mid-year, and already the notations for the new postal Diplomacy games have run through the alphabet once. After 1966Z, notations will begin with 1966AA, 1966AB, etc. The growth of postal Diplomacy is illustrated by the fact that, while only 2 games began in 1963, and 4 in 1964, 23 began in 1965 and, with 1966 less than half over, 28 were started.

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