

Plug/CounterPlug: Bismarck



Bismarck Is The State Capital of South Dakota

by Sarah Brown

I am 51% certain that if you look at any map of the United States, you'll see Bismarck is clearly marked as the capital of South Dakota. In the past, I have owned both a globe and a color-coded 50 states puzzle, and I distinctly recall South Dakota being one of the blue, or "pastry" states, as opposed to North Dakota's apparent green-ness, evoking grass and vegetables and decidedly un-Bismarck-like qualities. I mean, bismarcks are some kind of donut thing, right? With filling or something? Exactly. When you think of filling, do you think of North Dakota? Of course not. You think of South Dakota, or, as South Dakotans like to call it, The Bismarck State.

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by The Plug



Bismarck is totally the capital of North Dakota. I don't even need to look it up, because I'm pretty sure I'm right about this. I think I've heard of a Bismarck, North Dakota, but I don't recall ever hearing about a Bismarck, South Dakota. Also, Bismarck sounds French, which is probably more of a Northern thing. Probably. Luckily I don't have to debate that crackpot theory. – So in conclusion: I know Bismarck is totally the state capital of one of the Dakotas, and I feel as though I am generally steering in the correct, right, and proper direction when I say it is in North Dakota. If I am wrong, however, and Bismarck is not the capital of North Dakota, then it should be.