## The more I learn about Sweden, the weirder it gets



October 20, 2003



Raymond Chen

It must be really boring in Sweden in the winter. Things to do:

Military service in Sweden is compulsory for all males. When your country has not participated in any wars for two hundred years, you have to pass the time somehow. Apparently one of the exercises is to assess how Sweden would fare against its nearest neighbors. The general consensus (at least in Sweden) is that they could take on Finland and Norway, but if the Danes were to invade, Sweden would eventually succumb, but not before doing the Danish army serious damage.

Pass the herring.

Raymond Chen

**Follow** 

