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Guildmaster's Position

To Quell Unrest

SYLWANIA—The merchants guild of Sylvanica offered its guildmaster a position today to anyone who can quell the unrest in the gatehouse that has plagued the merchants and their shops. This offer, seen as an act of desperation by many of the local cutlers, comes after days of sporadic bandits and roving groups that has claimed twelve lives and damaged goods throughout the burg.

Hide Fires Blamed for PriMe Cult

SIGIL—Several fires were started yesterday morning in and around the Hive Ward allegedly by agents of a prime world cult called the Zankuwan. The fires caused widespread panic and destruction, though few harm was reported by the Hive Ward, so no reports were ordered by the mayor. Harmonium patrols investigated several of the arson sites after quelling the fires, but nothing was found. Later in the day, however, several human prunes were arrested near the Hive on arson charges and though no word has been made public, the mayor promised that the fires are under investigation.

Three Signers Die in Poisoning Incident

THREE SIGNERS of the Sign of One faction died last night in what are described as suspicious deaths by investigating officer Roddy Ten, a Mover Terau in the Harmonium, as “situations of a Highly Suspicious nature.”

The three individuals, who apparently did not all know each other, were all present in the Centre of Sigil, a tavern adjacent to the Council Chambers frequented by Signers. According to eyewitnesses, they were not all present simultaneously, and they all consumed different foods and drinks.

The violence, initially sparked by the riot that placed a high-up merchant’s daughter in the dead book, continues to shake the town though efforts by the Seven have finally begun to show results. Scragged souls are being placed in the public space or tied to the post and logged, depending on the severity of their offence. Since and then, two of the Seven justices, have also assumed new hosts, occupying the bodies of two of the more severe offenders.

Reflection, another spirit of the Seven, addressed the assembled merchants and warned that any attempts to use the power for the good of Sylvanica, even if only to “restore the peace”, would be met with as much malice as the monsters. He went on to reassure all those present that the Seven “...have not abandoned our posts, and would restore order in due time. After Reflection’s speech, a relatively unknown cutter named Harlan Stiller quizzed Reflection, asking if negotiated means of restoring order were permissible. The spiritor seemed surprised by the question, and said he were not insane about a peaceful settlement.

“I have no idea what he [Stiller] means,” said Anther the Quick, a local leather merchant, “but if he thinks he’s going to be able to muffle his bone-box at these leatherheads and get them to act peacefully like, well, that’s another thing coming.”

“Very, what for its worth [Stiller’s] been spending a lot of time on the Prime,” chimed in Larida Evenhome, a silk merchant in Sylvanica. “I don’t know what harpy scheme Harlan’s cooked up, but I don’t think he’s just muffling his bone-box.”

Fauzel—The newly formed Spireward Trading Co. announced they will commence operations in Fauzel within the week. Spireward is particularly interested in exploiting the forest for the decorative wood known as ‘purpleheart’ and they also plan to do a good deal of fur hunting around Fauzel. Dwarven woodmen in Fauzel have already restored the squat, two-story, white stone structure that Spireward will use as their headquarters. Work gangs, consisting mostly of bakers recruited from the Hive, are working to clear the forest for a logging road and lumber mill.

The Spireward Trading Co. was formed by Lambert Whyco, and he declared onto a portal that provided reliable access to both the Cathe and Tradegate. Simply, Spireward are the owners of Fauzel, and they are the ones who control the forest. The Spireward should be here, not for wood or hides, and I will fight to ensure that they get neither.”

—Donald Kyng, elder (rm)

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NewsChant: Baron Paracis Survives Assassination Attempt

RIBACCE—An attempt on the life of Lord Quentell Paracis was foiled today by the quick blade of Fritz von Turnstadt, the only son of Lord Felix von Turnstadt, a leading senator of Ribace. According to witnesses, the assassin, posing as a serving woman, struck Lord Paracis with an enemized blade during a private audience. Success was anathema from his aristocratic hand of a lightning stroke of his sword.

The assassination, identified as a member of the Band of the Salve, a notorious ring of cross-breeders and assassins, was a trusted member of Lord Paracis’ household and her treachery came as a shock to those who knew her. Lord Paracis has ordered a full and thorough investigation of his entire household staff.

While drawing a blade in the presence of Lord Paracis usually emits only a quick death of the perpetrator, the Lord of Ribace has instead decided to reward the heroism of Lord Turnstadt. Specifically, Lord Paracis promised Lord Turnstadt the title ofban and the franchise of the upperball gatehouses within the von Turnstadt domain.

When asked how he managed to draw his blade so quickly, Fritz told SIGIS that he was motivated primarily by fear, mostly of the political ramifications of Lord Paracis’ death. “Could you imagine the chaos that would result should Lord Paracis be killed?,” said Turnstadt. “The whole place would be churning with the mentalities of the household and the city, and the peace between Lord Paracis and the civil war, it’s like with Lord Paracis.”

— Walter Willkow, caller (rm)

Outlands Weather

A LIGHTEARTED LOOK AT THE WEATHER ON THE OUTLANDS

SIGIS: Citizens are advised to stay indoors as an ongoing dice throughout the day. Slightly gusty rain in the evening.

THE SPIRE: Weather can be expected to stay calm for today, with a slight wind of 10 mph.

AUTOMATICA: Expect precisely 0.5 inches of rain today and tomorrow. Wind will be in a gawker direction at a speed of 20 mph, which will increase to 11 mph at 0:00 on Thursday.

BELMONT: The gate to Pandemonium has been letting more of the plane through of late. Expect winds of up to 80 mph and heavy rain. SIGIS advises the bell to cancel their plans, as we know there’s nowhere else for them to go. We recommend that alchemists postpone any journeys and return to their own homes.

OCEAN: A light drizzle predicted for the remainder of the week. Stay indoors.

EXCLAIM: Expect still and clear, but an occasional Excalion drizzle. Perfect weather for a ride. The annual tournament looks set to be successful, again.

ECSTASY: Expect 45-50 mph winds and some turbulence, so please stay on the ground.

FAUNAL: Two days away from the wet season, all bipedal civilised races should have sought shelter or vacated the Gate-Town by now. All sentient species should avoid the wrath of a few days, he’s particularly happy with the humans. He’s currently enduring a wrath, not to be neglected. Great weather.

FORTHUDE: Warm weather thanks to the Town’s proximity to Excalion, melted by the winter, currently endured by Exclaim. Nothing particularly special, although residents may wish to stay within the walls, being winds around the town have risen significantly.

— Outlands Daily Weather

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