

**27th Day of Earth, 2150** Earth - Hiralien - Gadnyzar - 2150

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# SARDIAN SPY CAUGHT!



The arrest and capture of General Kedrach, late of the Legion of the Raven.

(**Darringmoor, 33rd of Earth, 2150**) A group of Sardian spies have been arrested on the evening of the 33rd, having been found to be hiding in a disused part on the Undercity. The group of six men were taken by surprise by detachment of the City Guard, led by Paladins of Order the Silver Swan, following a tip-off by reliable sources. The Sardians gave some initial resistance and one of their number was killed before they surrendered. No casualties were reported amongst the Guards and the Paladins.

It was reported that the movements of the Sardians had been known by the Order of the Silver Swan for some time and that they had been under observation since they entered the city on the 27th of Earth, arriving by ship from Llan. Their leader claimed to be Lord Dalius Tharlen, a native of Llan, travelling to Denhaven to bring his daughter back home to Quorull (in light of the turbulent situation in our fair land of Elkia). An examination of his papers has determined they are a forgery and 'Lord Tharlen' has been identified as Tyrrus Kedrach, an ex-military officer of Sard. Kedrach retired 8 years ago to an estate in Llan. He had previously attained the rank of General and was the commander of the Legion of the Raven. He was an expert in siege warfare and gained fame for his campaign against the city of Karhaven, after it was seized by insurgents during the Winter Rising of 2136R. Kedrach received the Black Sword in recognition for his role in seizing Karhaven after a siege of only 20 days.

Kedrach has confessed to having infiltrated Darringmoor for the purpose of identifying weak spots it the city's defences and intended to link up with elements of the Sardian forces once his work in Daringmoor was complete. After the city gates were ordered to be sealed on the 27th, Kedrach and his men became trapped in the city and made plans to exit Darringmoor using tunnels in the undercity. They were thwarted by the loyal and vigilant actions of a citizen (who wishes to remain anonymous) who

#### SINKHOLE SUNK!

MAN'S CART AND HORSE SWALLOWED (Darringmoor, 28th of Earth, 2150)

A Darringmoor resident narrowly escaped death recently when the city's almost forgotten sink hole dropped a further six feet. Bunnder Hobble, a resident of our fair city, reported Kedrach's group as being seen in the Undercity acting suspiciously and paying for information about tunnels that would lead them out of the city.

Kedrach and his men continue to be interrogated for information about the Sardian forces surrounding Darringmoor.

[Editor's Note: Three cheers for the citizen who reported Kedrach to the authorities. The Silver Swans would not reveal to me who that person was, as I would like to personally congratulate them, but I have it on good authority that a certain 'monarch' might have been involved -Ellie]

#### *CURFEW IN PLACE* (Darringmoor, 34th of Earth, 2150)

As of the Protector of Darringmoor's proclaimation, there is a curfew in place as of sundown today. All activity at commercial establishments is to cease at the tone of three bells that will be rung from the watchtowers, an hour after the sun has set. All unauthorised persons are to vacate the streets by the designated time or face arrest and detainment by the city guard.

Breaking of the curfew that cannot be explained sufficiently to the on-duty Justicator of the city dungeons will result in arrest and prosecution and/or fines.

Heed the warning! This curfew is for your own protection. Lock your doors and do not leave your house again until dawn, after five bells have tolled. Do not open your doors unless it is for the city guard or the paladins of the Ormocean or Siritar Churches.

#### Curfew will remain in place until advised.

#### expected efficiency.

City Guards rapidly attended the site and placed guards around the entire perimeter to protect the public from any further danger. A spokesperson from City Hall said they will continue to monitor the situation and will approach Dwarven geoPrice: 1/4 Copper Piece Earth - Hiralien - Gadnyzar - 2150

#### JASPER GOODS, STALL MAYHEM (Darringmoor, 30th of Earth, 2150)

Clothing worth hundreds of gold trades has been seized from a Holy Trinity Market Stall yesterday.

A large number of items believed to be stolen from Jasper residents, have been removed from a Darringmoor Market stall of a 58 year old woman.

City Guards found more clothing at the accused's White Quarter residence. A total of 154 items were recovered including fine cloaks, boots, caps and mantles. Market Guards arrested the suspect as the markets were packing up. The Guards had been alerted by a number of the public voicing concerns about their purchases. Some of the clothing still had the owners name embroidered on the inside.

The woman is assisting the Ormocean Justicator and City guards with their enquiry. If found guilty, the perpetrator will be pilloried and their crimes exposed to the crowded Darringmoor market square.

**SPEAKING WITH THE POPULACE** \* Havoc'n Kerfuffle, Gnome Druid.

*Interviewer:* Apparently, an important days mission has been completed unsuccessfully by Havoc & his colleagues & there is some dispute about payment.

*Havoc:* The Chamberlain promised me a silver piece at the end of the mission. I don't specifically know what a silver piece is, since humans have a weird view of what's valuable, but a promise is a promise.

*Interviewer:* Have you seen a silver piece before?

*Havoc:* Well, no, the down payment before the mission was also a silver piece, but he offered 10 copper pieces instead. Well, I don't really understand the difference, but figured since there were 10 of them, it must be better. But they were really boring. Like, just brown. So I want to see a silver piece now. It sounds shiny.

*Interviewer:* So the chamberlain didn't pay you because the mission was unsuccessful?



Her Worshipful Lady Mayor of Darringmoor, Leafrina Hillbone, comforts burn victims and a monkey.

#### A WORD FROM OUR MAYOR

(Darringmoor, 32nd of Earth, 2150)

Thank you to all those who helped defend our walls in these times of strife. My heart and thanks go out to you all. We show the world that even the smallest citizen of Darringmoor never, never, never gives in. We never yield to force or the seemingly overpowering strength of the enemy. We are citizens of Darringmoor and we carry on and endure. We are bracing for our duty and bearing ourselves as if Darringmoor will carry on [cont. over] said he had been helping another man deal with a broken wheel on his cart when they heard a commotion and looked around to see the dropping behind them up. He raced back towards his horse just in time to see his cart and horse being swallowed up by the expanding sink hole. "I was almost a gonner! Lord Ormocea saved me that day, "he said." I heard a rumbling, the ground started shaking and then woof...it dropped!"

Darringmoor emergency volunteer Lawler Gark said other carts and maybe even houses may go under anytime. Residents of the area should consider evacuation and short term relocation until the situation is assessed. Many visitors to the area took the opportunity to leave immediately. White Quarter resident, Clayton's Toing reported the sinkhole to the Mayor's office immediately and our esteemed Mayor reacted with technical engineers to provide an assessment of the site.

There have been rumours that this sink hole has opened a way to the rumoured underground catacombs of Darringmoor. This reporter believes this is a boon and no doubt the Mayor is investigating them as a refuge for the elderly, sick and children in time of war.

The Tempest Run Famous Boat Race & Festival of Darringmoor City Begins First Day of Air, 2050

The undersigned would respectfully invite the public to the start of The Tempest Run, boat race Darringmoor City, harbour. On the first day of air 2015 and concluding when the last boat arrives. Every effort has been made to make this grand affair satisfactory to all.

The Greenwich Band will present and enliven the people with good music. Leafrina Hillbone Major of Darringmoor [cont. over]





#### REPORTS FROM THE FRONT! - As reported by our War Correspondent [Unrevealed]

I.Raegax, who hatyd not G.Xachraan, Dragon Red, and was woont to speke all thinges with him very frely, awnsweryd, that Derringmore deservyd well both to be put to open shame, and to be dewly punysshyd, yf yt might appeare that by use of Foregn & Domestic interference had doone the Kingdom Sard any harme or disservice. To these Dragon Red [aforementioned] replyed: 'I am undone (I say) by that very Protector's [Darkmoor] weaning duplicity.' Whereunto I.Raegax made the same awnswer that befor. Than Dragon Red [afore.], to geve a sygne for them who wer withowt due defference [by meaninge the Protectorate of Darkmoor] for the nonce, spak with more shirle voyce: What than, Invigilator [Raegax], yf by that dyshonesty I be brought to destruction?' He had scarce utteryd these woordes, thus was open assault apprehendyd all at once, for I.Raegax, upon both the villeges of Briddip and Bordr Town, and also more within the P.Darkmoor. These two first wer for being cast ther from their dwellings into the dest of the road; but I.Raegax had scarce leysure to make his possesion of the latter town before the rough nobylytie of Darkmoor did stryk the bauble from his grasp. So that I.Raegax learnyd, by his owne losse at the last, that the order of warfere wherof Dragon Red speaketh cannot be broken with out consequence.

As soone as this dede was doone I was vouchsafed that they cryed treason upon I.Raegax. Now I herde not more as I returne to this matter of corespondce.

#### [SPEAKING WITH cont.]



Dreadful discovery of another victim to Three Coin Killer in Reaver Street.

#### **THIRD MURDER IN DIMSIDE** (Darringmoor, 34th Day of Earth)

The grisly remains of another young woman were discovered in the Dimside District in the early hours of this morning. Mistress Laral Bothwyx reported to the City Watch that her daughter, Esreen, had failed to return home from her job as a tavern maid at the "Drunken Toad". Mistress Bothwyx said this was very unlike Esreen, who was always home two bells after sunset.

The local Dimside watch were given her description and promised to keep an eye out for her. Alas, her dead body was later located in a back alley just off Reaver Street. The poor girl's throat had been cut so badly that the head had almost been severed. In addition, her heart had been removed and three coins left in the cavity from whence the organ had been taken – a copper trade, a silver trade and a gold trade.

Locals who were questioned said they

#### Militia Mustering Instructions

#### When you hear for the Muster Bells:

head directly to your Muster Site (if you know it)
if not, head to the nearest bell, there will be more that one, head to the nearest
when you arrive at the bell, follow all orders from the Paladin, City Guard, Councillor present (in that order of priority)

### These are the Darringmoor's **Muster Zones (No. Muster Points):**

#### 1. Ferndell's Aerie (2)... River Bay North

- 2. Kellik Bay (2) ... Port South inc. Cliff Down
- & Lower Topside
- 3. Southcliff (1)
- 4. Tallheart (1) (Rawldry Hts)
- 5. Dimside (1)... South Docks inc. Low Rawld
- 6. The Docks (1)... Dock Shore West
- 7. The Markets (2)... Barracks South Gate
- 8. West Gate (1)
- 9. Holy North (2)... North Compound Gate

#### Note:

some Zones have more than one Muster Point - follow all orders of your Paladin/City Guard/Councillor

> [A WORD FROM OUR MAYOR cont.] for another thousands of years. As residents of the past battled the dark moors we will stand strong against this recent foe. We will never yield.

Thank you, Lieafring Sillbone

Mayor of Darringmoor City 32nd day of Earth.

#### **Monkey Magic** Signing Event – Coming Soon

Our esteemed Mayor's pet will be making an appearance to put its mark on a successful toy!

Darringmoor's favourite monkey is rumoured to attend a signing event in the near future as a response to the sell-out of the popular monkey toy advertised in the last edition of Darringmoor Dart.

It is also rumoured that the Darringmoor Marching Band will be providing entertainment while people wait in lines. War permitting this exciting event will be happening soon. As Mayor Leafrina says,

"Carry on Darringmoor. Keep calm and don't let those who seek to destroy us dampen our strong spirit!"



### CLASSIFIEDS

**A STACK OF OLD HAY TO BE SOLD** - Apply to Hol Osmaston, Drapers, ask at West Gate.

**DEPOSIT, ASSURANCE & DISCOUNT SHARES** -TWELVE PER CENT - The Blinding Gull is to sail in 2 Spans to Tempest and parts East. Shares being offered since Deceased Estate. Enq accepted for partnerships from 18-to-180gp. 16 upper deck, Downty Lane, off-Docks South. Apply C. Rookes

FOR SALE, a SHARE in the DARRINGMOOR and DISTRICT LIBRARY - Apply at the DART OFFICE.

**TO be DISPOSED OF**, a GROCERY and PROVI-SION TRADE, in one of the best situations in Darringmoor. Rent moderate; no other payments. No fixtures to be taken in. Satisfactory reasons given for leaving -Apply Mr Southpriddy, Renting Agent, Quens Alley, Docks.

**WANTED** a middle-aged WOMAN to Manage a Dairy of six Cows, and undertake the washing of a Family, with the assistance of a Girl - Respectable reference required -Apply at the DART OFFICE.

#### - CLERICAL -

WANTED by a YOUTH a SITUATION as JU-NIOR-ASSISTANT for SCRIBE; can read, write, &c., neatly - Address J B, DART OFFICE

**WANTED a SITUATION** as GROOM and COACH-MAN, by a respectable married man of good character -Apply to Mrs PATTINGMORE, 2 Ewerun Grate, Lower Topside

**WANTED**, immediately, a competent middle-aged COOK-HOUSEKEEPER - Apply to Mrs PATTING-MORE, 2 Ewerun Grate, Lower Topside

#### - GROOM AND COACHMAN -

WANTED, for the Country, as in-door Servant, a SINGLE MAN, of light weight, between 25 and 30 years of age, as COACHMAN, to drive a pair of Horses. He must have a thorough good Groom, understandable work, and drive and ride well. He will be required occasionaly to wait at table, and to make himself generally useful. A personal character will be indispensible. Address, stating qualifications and wages required, to Mrs Whitecup, 5, Plovers Court, White Gardens - position Praetor's Folly

MR OLVARD's POPULAR CONCERTS, DARRINGMOOR The EIGHTH CONCERT will be announced in a few days



Darringmoor Merchant Centre

*Havoc:* What? No. He paid, but only with this stupid piece of paper. He promised a silver piece. A fair days work for a fair days pay I say. This isn't even shiny. I appreciate that humans have a strange sense of value as I said before, but honestly? A piece of paper? The boring copper bits were prettier.

Interviewer: Can I see the paper?

Havoc: Huh? Oh yeah, sure.

*Interviewer:* This document is a credit note for 25 gold pieces of value at well known city stores.

*Havoc:* Is it shiny? No. Is it pretty? No. Honestly, you humans are crazy. I want my silver piece.

End of interview.

heard no commotion and were unware that any crime had taken place until the Watch began knocking on people's doors.

This is now the third murder in Dimside in which a young woman has been slain and silver coins left in place of her heart. Marjell Hallrun, a prostitute, was killed on the 13th Day of Earth and Preena Tearth, a novice Esmian priestess was found dead a week later. The locals of Dimside are living in fear of their lives and have given the murderer the title of the Three Coin Killer.

If you have any information regarding the Three Coin Killer please report it to the City watch. A reward of 500 gold trades has been offered for statements that lead to the arrest of this vile creature. **QUALITY GOODS** \*\*Amazing-Astounding-Affordable\*\*



#### **BLAST DESTROYS GUILD HOUSE** (Tempest, 30th Day of Earth)

The Guild of the Magi, located on the Trader's Platform was destroyed in a fiery blast here today. The owner of the establishment, Master Tollan Haleheart, was killed along with two travelling wizards, whose identity is unknown at this time.

Witnesses report that there was a red flash and then a ball of fire erupted from the Guild House, engulfing it and a nearby carpenter's workshop in flames. The Daugron Firewatch were quick to respond and contained the blaze before it could spread throughout the upper levels of the city.

The cause of the blast remains unknown but it has been suggested that some fool experiment that Haleheart may have been working on may have gotten out of control. Urrius Slarren, who regularly buys potions from Haleheart said, "Tollan has a big laboratory at the back of his shop. The Firewatch are always fining him for lighting fires to heat up reagents, without authorisation from their Order. Looks like good old Tollan lit one too many fires and his experiment got the better of him!"

The College of Arcane Science will send an investigator to examine the remains of the Guild House to determine the likely cause of its destruction.

[Editor's Note: Didn't I hear that something similar happened in Port Lyrie a few Marches ago. The Guild House there blew sky high and killed over ten people! I think it's time to put some restrictions on the activities of these Wizards! Let's start with our own local establishment - Ellie]

#### NEW REGIME IN Y'SIRA Byalliz, Y'sira 4th Day of Earth

News has reached us via merchant traffic from far off Y'sira that Ah'baad, the K'luud of Y'sira, has been assassinated and power usurped by his cousin, Z'kor. The Old K'luud was reportedly killed by an arrow that pierced his throat, when he was attending a ceremony at the Daugron ziggurat in the heart of Byalliz.

The assassin had taken up a position on a rooftop of a government building that fronts the city square where the Daugron temple is located and escaped the scene by fleeing across rooftops. He was described as being attired in black, with his face masked. City guards scoured the surrounding buildings and streets for hours afterwards and it has been concluded that he escaped into the labyrinth of the undercity, after interviews with residents indicated a 'man in black' was seen entering one of the undercity gateways on Scorpion Street.

#### LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE: Brother Odeenish Wallop, Rural Ormocean Justicator

Samrozar of Talthon, the 2nd Day of Gold, 2150R, Friars Rest of Jepheth

#### My dear Sir,

I am sorry to hear so unpleasant an account of any farmer of Jepheth coming to your house and behaving in so scandalous a manner. There is no doubt that Hockee was the Person. I have made every enquiry about him, and have ascertained that he left Jepheth by the Falden's Onion Cart on the last Tabiazar of Water, some six days previous for Ocean Rest without any business to call him there. He has been recently confined in a Mad House at Tokia, and is getting thro his property (what little remains) very fast. He is about to leave his farm soon, and will be succeeded by a Relative, a cousin of Master Arrot, one Rin Fithsil, whom I hope will not prove to be mad also. For an overbearing insolent Farmer is a great nuisance at any time, but a mad one is quite intolerable. My father however feels himself particularly indebted to you for this timely warning as we shall now take care to be prepared to give him a proper reception whenever he thinks fit to introduce himself. Father Caparr, however, feels himself particularly indepted to you for this timely warning as we shall now take care to be prepared to give him a proper reception whenever he thinks fit to introduce himself.

I feel my dear sir, as also Father Caparr, particularly obliged to you for your very kind invitation to Stopover, but am sorry it will not at present be in my power to avail myself of it. As I am shortly going into Praetor's Folly, when I shall have the pleasure of seeing our mutual friend Hamwick of Mester, and will recommend to his perusal your excellent and judicious work.

I purpose (if you should then be disengaged) coming to Ocean Rest (all potential obfuscation to pleasantries diminished) about Stonebrow Fair, , this Season upon the pastures of Berrywall-on-the-Walk, and embrace the opportunity of seeing it, being given to understand that it is well worth seeing."

"I hope my dear sir that you do not suffer these unfeeling Farmers to give you any uneasiness of mind, as it will only afford them matter of triumph. And as for Hockee, it is highly probable he will again be confined which will stop his future annoyance.

With the united compliments of Father Caparr and the Family of Lord Ormocea, upon the Stonebrow I remain My dear Sir, Yours most sincerely, Br. O. Wallop.



## MISSING



#### *Symas Elix Carde* Last seen:

Season of Earth 2050, 3 days ago. Two Flag Tavern, Darringmoor, Elkia.

#### Description:

short of stature, thick dark blonde hair and green eyes. Nobel with a gentle and chivalrous nature. Last seen wearing a light brown silk shirt with a brown leather necklet with silver name plate.

#### Contact:

Anyone with information about the whereabouts of Symas please contact his brother at the Mayors office or Two Flags Inn. (Reward available)



**15 THE INNER BEND, TALLHEART** BEGS to thank his friends and customers for the support he has recieved during the six years he has been in business, and to inform them that he is disposed to to the same SAMYI KLACH, whom he can with confidence recommend to them.

#### S.KLACH

In succeeding to the above business, begs to solicit a continuance of the support accorded to his predecessor, and to assure them that he will keep a good article at the lowest price, and nothing shall be wanting on his part to ensure their satisfaction.

#### **PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** That during the alteration of Master Rost's premises, the business will be carried on in the present shop of S.KLACH

(three doors lower down) 12 THE INNER BEND, TALLHEART





**Cecie Velle** Last seen: Season of Earth 2049. Crossing Sardian border, Elkia.

#### Description:

Blonde hair, usually worn with plaits, sturdy build and hazel eyes. Tatoos on forearms and chest.

#### Contact:

Anyone with information about the whereabouts of Cecie please contact her loving sister Kace Velle at the Two Flags Inn. (modest reward available)



Z'kor was one of four other claimants to the title of K'luud and, after the Daugron priesthood threw its support in for him, the other contenders backed down. Z'kor was quickly crowned K'luud and declared martial law after protests were held across the city, following the death of two of his rivals for the throne. The deaths were both reported as unfortunate accidents. Z'kor has publically blamed separatists from Ikle's Head as being responsible for the death of Ah'baad and has claimed that the accidents suffered by his rivals may have also been the work of the very same separatists.

Last reports from Y'sira claim that Z'kor was marshalling forces to lead an attack against the communities of Ikle's head. NOTICES

To Issac Button of Ashfold, your wife died on the 23rd Day of Earth. The family expect and wish you to return home.

Mrs F. Fowler of North Shore, Darringmoor. Has received her husband's letters by Escort, and has registered one this day in reply 26th Day of Earth. 2050R

Edward Giles, of Praetor's Folly, is to return or write immediately.

You just suppley the hammer!

864 3/4 YARDS CHECKED Y'SIRAN MIRAGE SILKS, AT 1gp 5sp and 5cp PER YARD AT R.JATCLIFF'S

40, Dock East Lane, The Docks. IN consequence of the Disturbance of SARD, with all parties, a Great QUANTITY OF Y'SIRAN SILKS,

Manufactured expressly for the gowns of SARD's great Houses have been thrown into the Elkian market at greatly reduced prices.

#### **R.JATCLIFF**

Has succeed in purchasing a lot of these at fully TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT below their regular price, the whole of which advantage he has determined to give his

