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## Whirled News

### LaCie Trial Continues

Day two of the LaCie trial opened with Persecutors grilling the embattled financial advisor's associates about their involvement in what is being dubbed the "Church of the Slumlord" scandal. "He told is that diverting the funds to offshore accounts was the Bishop's idea," said Kiran LaDin, junior financial advisor. "It's amazing how well he forged the Bishop's signature on the transfer documents. To an untrained eye, it would look just like the Bishop had signed them!" The Reverend Valla T. Merrin was present for this day's proceedings, but was not called to the stand.



*The once proud fortress of Guildmaster Ocher LaHay — now a burned-out wreck!*

### Sinister Portent

Archeologists investigating the mysterious wreck, now called the "Skull Ship", discovered the severed head of a thousand-year-old Construct in the ruins of the ancient spacecraft.

"It was the weirdest thing I've ever seen," said Dr. Rose Kippling. "It's eyes lit up for just a few segments, then it said 'Your world is doomed. Sarcophka is coming to drink all the souls of Gaianar!'"

"Of course, I'm guessing that this "Sarcophka" person is running a tad bit late."

### Thief Fortress Destroyed

The fortress of Guildmaster Ocher LaHay was found incinerated by what appears to be some supernatural force. "It's the darndest thing I've ever seen," said Sheriff Corgly Bryn, of Blueline's March. "The scorch pattern looks like a giant cross. We sifted through the ashes, but all we found was Ocher's cooked skull — no Southern Cross." Religious experts, however, believe that the Southern Cross caused the inferno by exhibiting a negative reaction to be-

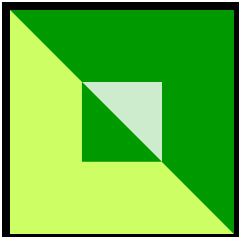
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### For Our Welcome Visitors

Keep track of what your Librarians can do for you! Refer to their function by Colour. And remember, friends, there's only one punishment for any crime in Ex-Libris, so behave yourself while in our Fair City!

- White: True Librarians (like you'd find in an ordinary library.)
- Yellow: Students (those who are in training to be a librarian of some sort.)
- Orange: Guards and Constables
- Red: Guard/Constable Captains
- Green: Master merchant/craftsmen
- Blue: Clerical (office assistants, secretarial, or works in copy centre.)
- Black: Assassins. They are the heroes of our city!
- Indigo: Journeymen (they travel outside the city seeking rare tomes and scrolls for inclusion in Ex Libris)
- Purple: The Chief Librarian. All praise our Madame Librarian!
- Gray: Technical (fixes/repairs things, builds roads, digs ditches, etc.)



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ing housed in a place of inequity. Today marks the fourth day of the Abbon Mort Festival of Stealing, their holiest holiday of the year.

## Mistwalkers Attack Northern Village

Four citizens of the small North Point village of Emptygulch were slain by the Deathwinds early last night. "It was horrible," said Bev Lexington, owner of *Bev's Bed & Breakfast*. "They almost made it to my diner, but then the Mistwalkers came out of the fog and shrivelled them up so that they looked just like skeletons with bits of skin still hanging off here and there."

## Local Noose

### Zolotov Executes Dangerous Criminal

Librarian Zolotolov once again showed courage and bravery by dispatching the notorious criminal Boroon Mariah. Having been found guilty of tax evasion and spousal abuse, Boroon met justice in the form of a single rifle slug between the eyes. Zolotov, humble as

ever, only had this to say: "I'm just doing a job, just like any other Librarian Colour. We're all on the same team, working to make and keep Ex-Libris great."

### More Vandalism and Thefts Rock Ex-Libris

An Abbon Mortite apparently stole a park bench from Valedictorian Park. Scrawled on the the sidewalk nearby, the felon wrote "*You think we onley[isic] steel[isic] things that arent[isic] nailed down. Your[isic] wrong. Wheel[isic] steel[isic] anything. Happy Festival!*"

Our Lady of Knowledge has increased the reward for the dispatch of this criminal to 15 SP. Anyone with pertinent knowledge of this crime should contact his or her local Red Librarian.

### Farmer Begs for Help

Farmer Borotok Misev, the beleaguered chicken farmer whose residence is under assault by dragons, reports today that the invading monsters have finished eating the chickens out of the main coop and have moved on to the grain shed. "I think dayre lookin' ta et the rats. Them's mighty mean rats in the shed there!"

## Construct to Enrol in School

Construct Five has been accepted for financial aid for the Great School. On Monday, he will officially have the status of Yellow Librarian.. This move has drawn the attention of several legal experts from around the world, as it marks a significant victory in the Construct Rights movement. CR leaders seek to implement a North Point style list of rights for Constructs, in which sentient machines are entitled to payment for duties completed and have basic property rights. Protector Taligen of Saboo is particularly interested in this proceedings. Rumour has it that the aging Protector seeks to name Frank the Construct, of Myracannon, as his eventual successor.