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Whirled News

Clan Fighters Prepare to Oust Lord Orloc

An army of nine thousand Clan warriors assembled in the protected city of Saboo in preparation for their



Mikal Hellion: Scarred in battle, but never defeated!

march against the war criminal Vastiel Orloc, "lord" of Cali. In addition to the Clan regulars, a volunteer force for

fifteen hundred untrained soldiers and eighty adventurers also joined the military gathering.

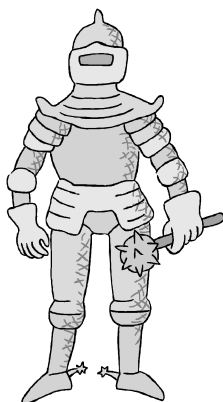
Mikal Hellion, War Leader of Clan Trelaine, said "We shall crush Orloc and his evil minions. We shall see his fortifications burned, his soldiers dead, and

we shall rejoice in the lamentation of his women."

As a show of determination, he is bringing the legendary artefact crossbow Vengethirst into battle with him. The Clan Armies will begin the three day march toward Cali at dawn tomorrow.

Gemfinder Donates Drones for Orloc Ouster

In a related story, Dulgarg Gemfinder, of Gemfinder's Drones and Appliances, donated ten non-



A typical light-duty labour drone, outfitted here with a mace for combat.

sentient light-duty labour drones to the cause of freedom.

"My fighting days are behind me," said Gemfinder. "But these drones can certainly help carry equipment and help set up tents and the like."

When asked about his feelings about Flesh & Blood First, he replied, "I didn't read anywhere about any of those

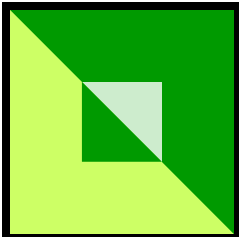
[expletive deleted] terrorists volunteering to help overthrow the tyrant of Cali. Wait, I forgot: it takes more courage to wield a sword in battle than it does to smuggle a bomb into my factory!"

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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!
- Grey: Technical (fixes/repairs things, builds roads, digs ditches, etc.)



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Bishop Brae Issues Subpoenas for Merrin Trial

The church tribunal that shall determine the fate of the embattled Bishop of Rivna sent out subpoenas via whirligig today. While compliance by members of other religions is optional, followers of the True One and its sister church, the Order of Saint Eldra, are required to obey. Church leaders, however, expect a wide, positive response from the subpoenas.

Bishop Thistle Brae of the Isle of Gales also confirmed today that he will adjudicate over the judicial proceedings.

Bishop Merrin, as expected, was unhappy with this decision, declaring, "Why should I be tried by some outlander cleric? Indeed, why should I be tried at all! I swear that I will air all the dirt on everyone in this accursed city once my book deal is sealed!"

Man Mech Relocation Faces Critical Obstacle

The relocation of Man Mechs from the underbelly of Brighton's Reach to the radioactive city of Raven's Cape stalled out today when the two Man Mech scouts were unable to make the journey between the two cities because of the Man Mech's need of radiation.

"We nearly starved to death!" Martin Rowa said. "We're desperate to get out of the crumbled understructure of the Old Brighton's Reach, but if we bring the abandoned radioactive power plant core to the surface of town, everyone in the city will die of radiation poisoning."

Man Mechs have long been a misunderstood and feared people because of their cybernetic implants and need of hard radiation.

Local Noose



Librarian Enoch Zolotov, pictured here with a dagger, will be the new Purple Librarian

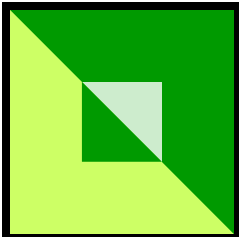
Purple Successor Chosen

Our Lady of Knowledge announced today that the Secret Council offered up Librarian Zolotov as the her replacement when she retires in sixty days.

"I approve of the Council's choice," the Purple Librarian said. "Zolotov has always been a role model for our youth as well as a brave and proven leader. Zolotov shall make an excellent Lord of Knowledge."

Enoch Zolotov, originally from Cape North, North Point, immigrated to the West thirty years ago and has held the rank of Blue, White, Orange, and Red Librarian in addition to his current colour, Black. As a Master Assassin, he has accomplished the justice of over seventy convicted criminals.

After the Lady's announce-



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ment, Librarian Zolotov concluded the judgement of Roker Hile, member of Flesh & Blood First.

In keeping with the spirit of what it is to be a Black Librarian, Zolotov bravely shot Roker Hile in the back while perched atop a five story building, proving yet again why the Black Librarians are the true heroes of Ex-Libris. Roker Hile was found guilty of the murder of Construct T4 and for assault and battery against the Dealer. The Secret Council deliberated for only five rounds before finding the terrorist guilty as charged.

"I am always happy to fulfil the honourable, yet humble, avocation of Master Assassin. But let us not forget to praise the other Librarian Colours that make this city work every day."

Occupation Tax Due

Darla Macaffe, Director of Blue Librarian Services, wishes to remind all non-citizen occupants of Ex-Libris that their occupation tax is due by the end of the calendar year, which is in four days. As always, the tax is three silver pieces for adults, one silver piece for minors. Taxes can be remitted by whirligig or at the

Help Desk on floor three of the Great Library.

Librarian DeSoto Fully Healed!

Thistle Brae announced today that the Ritual of Complete Regeneration he performed on Librarian DeSoto was a complete success.

"He should be back to work tomorrow or the next day," the exhausted cleric said.

Use of the regeneration ritual was a controversial move as it is a highly demanding rite, and the Bishop of the Isle of Gales is not known for his physical stamina.

When asked if he was harmed as a side effect of the healing ritual, Thistle only said, "I will be recovered in time for Bishop Valla T. Merrin's trial."

Advertisement

Rugs, rugs, and more rugs! Why scuff you your hardwood floors if you don't have to? Regor Zubairde, of Regor's Rugs, sells local rugs and well as those imported from the East.

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