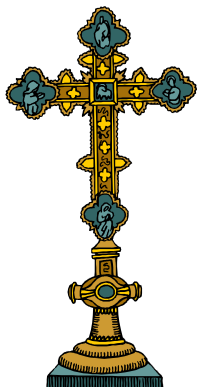


## Whirled News

### Cross Search: A Disaster!

Rumours of the Western Cross being located in the Great Desert Belt of West Point nearly led three Indigo Librarians to their doom.



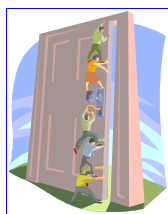
*The Western Cross: Part of a four-unit set of powerful True One artifacts.*

"We followed the steps as best we could, given the fragments from six different maps crafted by four different

scribes, written on water-damaged, insect-chewed parchment," explained Darla McCreedy of Clan Red.

"But how were we supposed to know the cave that looked like an abandoned mineshaft was actually the home of a giant tunnelling worm 200' long? Those things were thought to be extinct over a millennia ago!"

On the bright side, the trio reports making detailed sketches of the outside *and* inside of the solitary creature, as well as map locations so that wildlife experts could study the giant worm further.



### Refugees Step Through Twilight Gate

A Twilight Gate opened briefly in the town of Emptygulch, North Point, allowing several refugees from the neighbouring world of Israe to step

through.

"If we didn't have bad luck, we'd have no luck at all," said Ca'Rish Ologotell, Fleshslave #31 of 50, of Zone-Core 21, Aquila, Israe. "At least none of the evil Constructs stepped through after us. . . wait. . . what the hell is that thing?! AAIIEEE!!!"

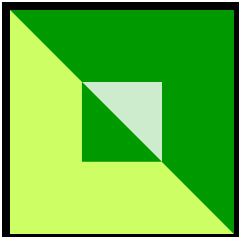
Regrettably, contact with Emptygulch was lost after that brief communiqué. As always, citizens, we'll keep you posted as updates arrive.

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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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## Midian Under Siege!

The Calamarian Sisterhood laid siege to the capitol city of Midian today, and issued a demand of unconditional surrender. The remaining forces of the Matriarchy transferred power to the coastal city of Aloo'Marook, in the hopes of being able to hold out until reinforcements arrive from the North, East, and the West.

"I thank the Professor, the Admiral, and the councils of the West and the North for forgiving the wrongs of the past and coming to our aid in this time of hatred and desolate darkness," the Matron said in a press conference on the shores of Aloo'Marook.

"The Three Powers are sending a combined force of 26,000 fighters. I call upon those loyal to peace and unity to gather your strength for the time that is coming when the Calamarian Sisterhood will be turned back like a polluted tide!"

Military experts estimate that the first wave of fighting units will arrive in four days.

## New Rivna Bishop Named

Bishop Thistle Brae of the Isle of Gales announced the results of the three-month-long search for a suitable replacement for the deposed and convicted Valla T. Merrin.

"I am happy to say that the man I name is someone who has fought beside me in the past, on a number of dangerous missions for the church; a man whose mind is as strong as his heart: Reverend Philo Chalkminer of Bouldersmith, West Point, of the Diocese of Deserton."

Reverend Chalkminer, a Dwarf from Clan Hammersmith, was instrumental in the success of over ten missions against the Scaxathrom Priesthood twenty years ago when they had made numerous at-

tempts to co-opt the city of Touchstone, North Point.

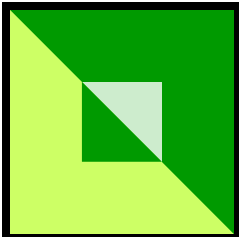
## **Local Noose**

### Zolotov: The New Purple Librarian

In a cheerful, yet bitter-sweet, celebration, the Purple Librarian handed control of the Great Library, and Ex-Libris, over to Black Librarian Zolotov.

"Today, I shall be once again known as Indigo Librarian Moira Dell," the retiring Purple Librarian said. "And Librarian Enoch Zolotov's Colour shall now be Purple, and his name shall be known only as Master Librarian, the Lord of Knowledge."

The new Purple Librarian added his own praise of Librarian Dell, saying: "Many times, a newcomer to this honoured office feels the need to say what things he will change, or what wrongs he will right, but I do not say this. Librarian Dell, as the Purple Librarian, has been my advisor, my mentor, and my liege. Her shadow is long and her legacy rich. I seek not to change her great



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work, but simply to pre-serve it!"

## Giant Bug Destroyed by Akalla's Hope Crew



The latest communiqué from the crew of the Akalla's Hope indicates that they have managed to defeat one of the Grey Mask's most formidable

monsters -- a giant 150' long millipede with three heads! We wish them the best of luck accomplishing justice in Parse.

## New "Purple Librarian" Action Figures!

In commemoration of the transfer of power, the Great Library is releasing the Purple Librarians Collector Pack, featuring Librarians Dell and Zolotov. This exquisitely crafted pair comes with two sets of robes for each action figure: black and purple for Zolotov, and indigo and purple for Dell. Only one hundred of these action figures will be fabricated,

so reserve your set today! At 2 SP each, it's an affordable piece of living history!

## The Tome Theatre Proudly Presents...



The Tome Theatre is proud to present a special limited engagement of "We Both Reached for the Gun", a fantastic musical about dancing, gin, murder, and a charismatic Law Twister.

*See crime pay!*

Inspired by the real story of murderess Ano La'Ry-tel's shooting of her paramour and subsequent acquittal through the use of a circus performer cum Law Twister in Paru, "WBRftG" makes a hilarious mockery of justice. Tickets are going fast, so see your Blue Librarian before it's too late!

## Advertisement



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