

"DESTINY DECK" COLLECTOR BOUND FOR IRON CITY

The famous Lasai businessman and collector, Matthiu Gerard LeGrand, will be arriving in the Ogwehoweh Territories within the month. Driven by a need to preserve history and save artifacts of beauty from destructive elements, LeGrand travels the nations of Talus in search of the striking, rare, and strange.

It is rumored that playing cards from the infamous "Destiny Deck" of Lasai War Hero Dominic Vailancourt have been found in local circulation. Legend has it that the deck of cards, secreted in his coat pocket, deflected a bullet during the expulsion of Lirian Forces during the historic conflict in the Lasai Valley.

RED WILT RAMPANT IN BRANNEN-ON-SHAY

The terrifying wasting disease, known colloquially as "The Red Wilt," has taken root in the North Lirian industrial town of Brannen-on-Shay. Over the past few weeks, cases of the illness have risen at an alarming rate, a large percentage amongst businessmen and gentlemen of good breeding.

Red Wilt first attacks the reproductive system, and over a few days renders the subject infertile. After a few weeks, the disease progressively damages the other organs in the body, triggering weakness, mad-

ness, and eventually, death.

At the request of Lirian physicians, the local Blood Lodge has responded to the threat and is even now purging the contagion from the city.

JAIL BREAK!

Liria is abuzz with reports that three prisoners have escaped from a maximum-security military stockade. While none of the prisoners have been identified, it is speculated that the escapees were members of the elite Bee Squadron convicted last year of robbing the National Bank of Acria during the Venkess War. It is believed these fugitives have made their way to the Ogwe Territories, surviving as soldiers of fortune. Anyone with information pertaining to their location should contact Colonel Talbot of the Lirian Military Police.

BENEFIT BALL ANNOUNCED

A charity ball to benefit the reconstruction of the Acrian State Opera House in Masuria, which was destroyed during the Venkess War. The white tie gala is anticipated to attract high society from across Acria, the Confederated Kingdoms of Liria and the Lasai Valley to the Acrian capital this winter.

KILLING CONTINUES ALONG LIRIAN BORDER

The town of East Walsing was the latest victim in what has proven to be an ongoing terrorist crusade against the innocent citizens of Liria. The twenty families of the small settlement on the Ogwehoweh border were massacred by gangs of Ogwe insurgents, with the latest tallies indicating 74 killed, including women and children, and at least 20 wounded. Homes were burned to the ground without mercy.

"I don't know why they came," pleaded local East Walsing resident George Burke. "East Walsing is a farming community - we don't have anything to do with the Ogwe! They just kept shouting something about Sabien and his crusade!" Another citizen, Mary McDonald, added, "They torn my newborn daughter into pieces in front of me, laughing, and demanding that I watch - it was horrific!" Mrs. McDonald fell into tears and could not answer any further questions.

Based on reports from survivors of East Walsing, Lirian authorities have issued a warrant for the arrest of the individual known as Sabien. Any information that may lead to the death or capture of this individual is requested. Warning: there are rumors that this terrorist mastermind is being protected, funded, and encouraged by the Emirate of Jhandihar. Do not attempt to apprehend this man alone!

LIRIAN ACADEMY GRADUATIONS

The Royal Academy of Liria is pleased to announce the graduating class of 2791. One hundred and fifty cadets will enter the Lirian Armed Forces as newly minted 2nd Lieutenants, ready and eager to defend their country



against the enemies that threaten it.

Special mention goes to Cadet Edmond Aubrey Archibald Craggsswagger, Jr. who was selected as the Valedictorian of his class, and will receive a commemorative saber from the Lirian Veteran's Association. Cadet Stephen Billsbury was selected as Salutatorian.

In his valedictory speech, Cadet Craggsswagger highlighted the virtues of Liria, and how even the approaching war with Jhandihar should not dampen the spirit of innovation and progress that has forever been at the forefront of Lirian endeavor. "In the end, we all want to live up to the dreams of our parents," he concluded.

Exchange Rates

All prices in Queen's Oz.

Alder (LA)	0.26
Emir (JE)	9.12
Emperor (XE)	0.009
Kaiser (DK)	0.071

Stock Listings

Latest quotes provided courtesy of Dawkins & Emberwell Brokerage. All prices listed in Qoz.

Equity Market	Price
D&E Composite Index	16.4
Dornham Royal Teas (DRT)	12.4
Lirian Steamship & Foundry (LSF)	39.3
Amalgamated Coal & Galvacite (ACG)	22.2
Yoban Agricultural (YA)	18.2
Farthingham Tool & Leather (FTL)	9.2
National Bank of Liria (NBL)	25.5
Royal Tonics & Distilling (RTS)	13.7
Northern Railway & Locomotive (NRL)	21.3
United Lirian Textile (ULT)	4.8
First Galvanic & Semaphore (FGS)	20.4
Bosswink and Bosswink Assay & Mining (BBM)	14.9
Fourth Age Shipyards (FAS)	14.5
Bond Market	Price
30 Day Royal Exchequer Bond (100 Qoz)	99
60 Day Royal Exchequer Bond (100 Qoz)	97
90 Day Royal Exchequer Bond (100 Qoz)	95
One Year Royal Exchequer Bond (100 Qoz)	89

Iron City Threat Index

a comprehensive and scientific measure of the city's hazard. Scaled 0 to 10.

This month's Threat Rating:

7.12

Though alchemicals and Luen continue to plague Iron City, in addition to the tense setting of peace talks with Jhandihar, the final defeat of the dread abomination Shard has lowered this month's threat index. The quarantine is still in effect, hampering trade and exchange of valuable resources, but officials are hopeful for its imminent redefinition.

Nigel Gresley

Passed on as a result of defending the town against the foul creature Shard

On the first day of the year of our lady 2791

It is a great sense of duality that I write this. If Nigel had been allowed to die properly, when his body was first meant to, I would never have known him. I only met him in his proper form briefly, before he was slain by the men of Kaithnus Huroc. This is when his spirit should have properly entered back into the cycle of death, but he was not allowed such peace. What followed was a year of pain, of heroic fortitude, and confusion. I became his personal mechanic at the request of his superiors, once his change took place. It was my duty to restore his humanity for brief periods of time, changing the stoic construct back into the man.

Each time I performed this repair on him his eyes would change back first, from cold and staring, to alert and confused.

Nigel was a man that did not ask for this change, he longed for the peace of death, and I could tell, every time I restored him that he was sad to be back. But he performed his duties without complaint. One must never say that Nigel did not have fierce loyalty to his country. He gave them a year. And I was glad that he was finally able to rest, as sad as it made us all to see him go. Nigel wanted to die, and when peace finally took him, his eyes finally filled with a joy that had evaded him for far too long.

A ceremony to honor his death will be held at a future date, to be announced.

The Health Tax and You
by *Sanura Kaniik*

I understand there has been a bit of worry on both sides about the tax and its effects on health care in the city. I am, however, urging everyone to not cease in tipping of the physicians. The plan will be outlined in full during the meeting, but I must express now that not every single

doctor will be getting payment. The funds are being used to set up dedicated triage, and field physicians will still be relying on your tips and donations of tea to make a living.

That said, we are also urging any and all donations

of teas, tonics, and pertinent field manuals for the creation of the dedicated triage. Your donations today could save your life or the lives of your close friends in the future.

Letter to the Community by a concerned citizen:

Perhaps Citizen is the wrong word, as it is what the FNK use to identify members of their cult. Ahem, culture. I am a concerned resident of Iron City, and I am worried that some of the changes being implemented in town are dangerous and not in line with Lirian morals. Do you not all see what is happening? You cheerfully allow the FNK to become larger and more powerful while their agents spread the venom of their dangerous ways into proper society. Iron City is no playground for their whims.

Letter to the Community
by 2nd Lt. Dr. M. Craggsswagger

In the interest of community well being I would like to offer courses in basic to advanced life saving and first aid techniques to any and all comers, free of charge. All interested parties should contact me directly at my office or by correspondence by post.

MISSING PERSON, REWARD OFFERED

To the citizens of Iron City; in relation to the disappearances of Sir Leopold Merriweather & Lady Charlotte Merriweather, any person with information should promptly contact the Misses Merriweather. Compensation will be provided.

The goal of this endeavor is to increase the medical first response knowledge of the general population and reduce the need for highly trained medics and doctors for non-emergency medical issues leading to better health care for the population as a whole. At the request of participants a related course on campaign hygiene and sanitation strategies is offered.



The Triple S Trading Emporium
Grand Opening: Saturday the Fourth
Industrial District
2:00 to 2:30pm

UPCOMING EVENTS OF NOTE
Saturday, September 4:

11:00am to 12:00pm:
Alchemy Guild Meeting/
Field Alchemy Lessons,
in the Artisans' District

12:00pm to 1:00pm:
Engineering Guild Meeting/
Field Engineering Lessons,
in the Artisans' District

12:00pm to 1:00pm:
Open consultation,
at the Blood Lodge

2:00pm to 3:30pm:
Triple S Trading Hours in
the Artisans' District

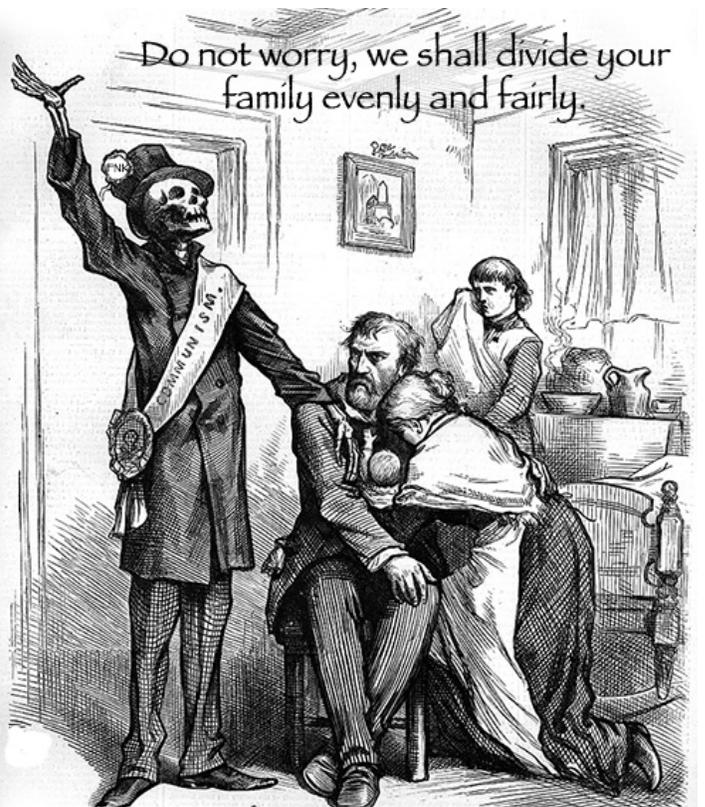
2:00pm to 3:00pm:
Reception,
at the Acrian Consulate

3:00pm to 5:00pm:
Open consultation,
at the Ministry of
External Affairs

4:00pm:
Teatime,
in the tavern lounge

5:30pm to 6:00pm:
Town Meeting

Concurrent with the official inauguration of the Iron City Graveyard, a memorial service for Iron City's fallen will take place following the evening meal.



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