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Dragon Attacks Greenest

Another town is attacked in the southern regions.

A blue dragon attacked the town of Greenest last week. A large portion of the town has been destroyed due to the dragon's lightning breath. A large force of kobolds and mercenaries the proceeded to raid the town. Governor Underhill said "They were here to rob the town of it's valuables, killing the townsfolk wasn't their priority. They just wanted the gold".

At this point, no one has claimed responsibility for the attack but several members of the town are convinced that the Cult of the Dragon was responsible. Governor Underhill declined to comment on this speculation.

A party of adventurers is credited for saving the lives of many of the townspeople as well as saving the towns only grist mill. "If not for the heroics of this group, the death toll would have been much higher. I'm thankful that they come along when they did" says mill owner Mary Miller.

Reports of the groups exploits vary but is generally accepted that they saved a lot of lives in the town's sanctuary while fighting off the armed raiders.



Greenest engulfed in flames from blue dragon attack on the town.

The Wintermute Times was able to confirm that a unknown Tortle did stand up as the town's champion when challenged by the attacker's half-dragon champion. Our thoughts and prayers go out to this brave individual's *Photo Credit: Wizard's Rendering-Greenest* on attack on the town.

Why is the Cult of the Dragon conducting raids in the southern regions? The Wintermute Times will be covering the history and actions of the Cult of the Dragon in upcoming issues. Volume 1 / Edition 1

TEMPLE OF FINNEGAN: WATEDEEP NOW OPEN!

New religion moves into shack next to The Grand Closing bar.

Kobold and High Priestess Veela announced today that she would be opening a temple dedicated to god Finnegan in Waterdeep. "When I saw Finnegan's beautiful winged messenger, I knew that I was destined to spread his great word all around the world. After Finnegan made me a high priestess, I immediately knighted Yorai to serve as protector and spreader of Finnegan's word".

Yorai was quick to comment on his knighthood, "[I have] higher standards then becoming a random Couatl's gopher".

Local residents are in uproar. "First we get that mad bird and now kobolds. What's Next?"

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THE HAUNTED MANSION DID IT! MISSING PERSONS CASE SOLVED!

family.

Adventuring group claims a night hag and an evil doll behind the disappearances near Montarthas Manor.

For several months, the road near Montarthas Manor has seen the disappearances of several travelers. No traces of the travelers have been found, and to add more mystery, several members of numerous search parties have disappeared as well.

Mayor Greg went on record as saying "I was absolutely out of options. Our local investigations had revealed nothing and now even more people were missing. Out of desperation, I hired an adventuring party to look into it. They weren't highly recommended by the bartender, but they were in the bar at that time. Before you even ask, yes I did have my reservations about hiring a group that clearly had mental issues. However with the city council screaming for this mystery to be solved and with the threat of a recall vote, I had to do something and quick." The group discovered that a night hag had occupied the manor and was feeding from the life energies of unsuspecting travelers. Efforts were quickly launched to recover the bodies.

CSI Detective Imin Yabusiness pointed out that the most recent victim of the night hag seemed to die from wounds consist with lightning damage and not necrotic feeding. The detective refused to comment on if murder charges against the group would be filed. "It really looks like this man died from repeated lightning bolts to the torso. What sicko would do this?" He asked.



Photo Credit: Mystic Portraits

Group Spokesperson and Leader Good Morning says "100% effective. Com-

To make this story even stranger, the group talked about a possessed evil doll that attacked the party. Veela, party member and High Priestess of Finnagen had this to say "I like small things. When I saw the doll at first, I though pletely docile. Was a murdering machine a week ago. Now acts like a doll".

it was adorable. I wanted to bring it home with me. And when it moved by itself? Wow, that was even better! Who doesn't like a magic doll? But then it hurt one of my friends and it wasn't cute anymore."

The group has not provided any evidence of this evil doll abilities, only showing a typical

rag-doll of the period. This reporter thinks that the group is full of crap and is up to something. What reason do they have for such an outlandish story? The Wintermute Times will be investigating the motives of this unnamed group of adventurers and their outlandish claims of an evil doll.

Waterdeep Mayor Election

Electoral Commission makes changes to candidate submissions.

It's election time in Waterdeep and the Mayor's position is up for grabs. Those wishing to be candidates in the upcoming election have two ten-days to submit their application to the Waterdeep Electoral Commission.

The Electoral Commission has modified the laws concerning this years elections. Applicants must be long-time residents of Waterdeep and own one or more businesses located in the city limits. In an unpopular move, the commission voted to accept applications from all races. Previously applicants had to be of human, elf, or dwarf ancestry. The Electoral Commission felt that the rules were not inclusive enough for Waterdeep. Halflings, as well as other races including but not limited to, Tortle, Tiefling, Kenku, Giants, and even Dragons are now eligible to run for office in Waterdeep. "This has been a great step forward for the city of Waterdeep"

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ECTAR'S WORLD OF WHEELS CLOSES AMID REBATE CONTROVERSY

A rebate of 5 gold pieces (gp) on a 4 gp wheel is not good business.

The latest wagon train from the southern regions was briefly a success for local entrepreneur Ectar Highlife as his wagon wheel repair business unexpectedly rolled forward. Wagon train leader Tallie Ho said "His wheels were amazing. Talented workmen crafting the finest and toughest wagon wheels ever."

The success behind Ectar's World of Wheels

came to a complete halt following a controversy concerning rebates. Merchants said that Ectar's right hand man, Frank Noname informed their customers that instead of taking a retirement bonus, he had convinced Ectar to offer a 5 gold piece rebate on every wagon wheel fixed during the wagon train. Merchants and wagon masters tried to collect, however eyewitnesses say he turned in to a mouse and ran away. Ectar has been unavailable for comment and a search by merchants for him is underway.

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