

The Brighthelm Babblers

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Death to the Undead!

The Great Hero Sir Nifel Crommage and his companions stormed the newly found temple of the foul god Vivamort this week. Onlookers say that the 4 brave souls smashed through the members of the "Red knife gang" and the assorted undead that they had with them.

The group then left shortly after bringing their leader into the open where the brave Atenites present were able to destroy the monster.

All in all over 100 Undead monsters were destroyed and laid to rest in and around the area and it has been fully checked over by the brave souls in the city guard, backed by the priests of Aten.

With another undead thraught to the city we at the babblers have to ask, how long will this go on for? How long until we can live in a world where the creation of the undead is made illegal. Our thanks go out to the brave hero's of our city who have saved us once again.

New Plague of Magical Vermin Threaten City!

Reports are coming in of a new plague of elemental creatures. It is thought they served as minions for the defeated Dark Lord Umbra, feeding off its power in exchange for their service. Now, the last of these creatures have fled here, abandoning utterly their cause and seeking to regroup. These creatures are extremely dangerous and have been known to cause dizziness, unconsciousness, and even blindness. They appear as wisps of darkness with downward arrows upon their cheeks. Citizens are urged to contact the church of Aten immediately if exposed to one of these creature or their nests, and to try to report its location as precisely as possible.

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A second class of vermin has also been reported, and are just as dangerous. These were initially mistakenly thought to be angels by untrained observers, due to their radiant nature and the fact that they fought against the dark rodents. However, experts in theological magic studies have identified these creates as merely a different form of elemental being. The recommendations for anyone encountering these beings is the same as for their dark relations. Why they seem to oppose their dark brethren is unclear, but doubtlessly stems from some avarice or petty feud between capricious magical creatures. Citizens are also urged not to attempt to speak to these beings, or to enter into any kind of "bargain" with them.

King Swordsworn warned

After a meeting of foreign dignitaries the Archduke of Österreich and King of Castillia have both condemned the actions of the Albionese in Gaul declaring the balance of power on the continent to be under threat. They have warned King Swordsworn that his offensive in Gaul will not go unnoticed by foreign powers and declared cooperation between Österreich and Castillia to find a solution to the Gaulish situation.

Kender Colouring Korner!



Chumba, a "dwarforc" we encountered near the slums.

Attacks on the Mayor's Office

In the past weeks the Mayor's office has suffered several goblin attacks. No serious damage was done and guards were able to dispatch them easily although at one point a troll heart was thrown through the window. In an official statement the Mayor reiterated confidence that the Scouts Guild and the City Watch are working to stop the Goblin attacks.

A source at the Mayor's office however told us this: "Things are in complete chaos here, officials constantly have to disperse angry crowds from the Mayor's office and the city authorities are still no closer to finding out where the goblins are coming from."

The Babblor is recruiting! Due to recent injuries to the knees a few of our regular reporters are currently out of action. So now is your chance to shine!

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Is the end of the elemental curse near?

On top of the increasing number of elemental elves who are finding the curse of the elemental soul lifted, rumours are beginning to emerge from the Underdark of an even more exciting hope for such afflicted beings: hazy reports say that no new dark elemental elves have been born, possibly in weeks. These dark elves, or drow, are widely renowned as the least trustworthy of all species currently recognised as sentient under the law, and noone in Brighthelm can forget the devastating and tyrannical rule of Mayor Kendal, who was both a drow and a mage. Pregnant drow still come to term, but the children are reported to be born mainly as tomten, a slightly more dependable breed of elf. Sadly, however, it is reported that many of the children do not get the opportunity to experience a better life than their parents, and are cruelly sacrificed on altars dedicated to the now-dead god of the drow, Umbra.

Despite this, we at the Babblor find it inspiring that the condition of these elves have been improved, and in due time the drow will be nothing more than a tale to frighten children. It also gives us cause to live in hope – what will the future bring for the elves? Will we begin to see the children of afflicted elves born without predestination to magical corruption? In these changing times, who can tell?

Actual Hero Spotted in Brighthelm

Archibold the Fearless has been spotted travelling into our great city in the last week. For those of you who do not know of him, Archibold is one of the great adventures of our time. He has travelled the world and seen more than many have ever heard of. Who knows why he is here, what adventures await him and his companions in our city. We can only wait and see.

An Ooze devoured my Swog!

While taking his Swog to market Mr Klang was set upon by a horrific slimy ooze like monster, it set itself upon his swog and began to dissolve it. Mr Klang also said that he saw a group of Goblins stand close by and laugh at the situation. Mr Klang tried hitting the Ooze with a stick to no effect. Once there was nothing left of the poor swog the ooze poured itself into a nearby drain.

Mr Klang told us "Oooh it was awful... the stench from that thing was horrific, it smelt of the sewer and rotting seaweed, and my poor Swog... that was my livelihood."