

THE FLINT TRIBUNE

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SABOTEURS FOILED AT LAUNCH OF NEW WARSHIP

King Aodhan attended the launch of the new Risuri warship, RNS Coaltongue, last month. The ship was launched from Flint Harbour, and is the first Risuri vessel powered solely by steam engine, not sail. It is hoped that the Coaltongue will act as a deterrent against future aggression from the nation of Danor, particularly in regards to Risur's ongoing dispute over the islands of the Yerasol Archipelago. During the maiden voyage, a number of saboteurs sprang a foul plot to destroy the ship.

The Royal Homeland Constabulary, which was providing security for the event, managed to prevent the catastrophe and capture the saboteurs, who are currently being held in custody. RHC Inspector Stover Delft has been quoted as saying "We did not anticipate trouble, but current dissatisfaction in the Docker community meant that we were on our guard." Thousands of spectators attended the event at Royal Square, although only 700 people were allowed to traverse the bridge over to Fleet Square.

It is rumored that the same intrepid squad of RHC Constables who thwarted the sabotage plot were also involved in a related incident on Axis Island, in the Yerasol Arpigela. The island, previously disputed territory, has now apparently been handed over to Danoran "Minster of Outsiders" Lya Jierre.

The King's sister, Duchess Ethelyn of Shale, is reportedly in the RHC's custody under charges of conspiracy.



RAGMAN MURDERS INCREASE

The Ragman has grown more active, and is believed responsible for four deaths over the course of two weeks. Flint police investigate, and an impoverished Yerasol Veteran claims he saw the same pattern of wounds on fellow soldiers in the last war.

PELL'S AUDITIONS

Randall Pell, a renowned composer from Slate, will be conducting the Navras Opera House and plans to hold auditions for performers. This has led to a boom in sales of 'respectable' attire for amateur Docker musicians, who want to make a good impression.

MONSTERS ON PINE ISLAND

Citizens are warned to avoid the western bayous around the Battalion school in Pine Island. The martial university has imported exotic wild beasts from a Risuri colony in Elfaivar, and will be conducting exercises in beast tracking and monster slaying.

GOODSON SNARED?

Wealthy industrialist and renowned son of Flint Guy Goodson is getting married to a Crisillyiri noblewoman: Faith Unitas. The ceremony will be closed to the public, but reporters are eagerly sharing every detail of the arrangements. The intense interest has journalists excited about all the papers they'll sell when King Aodhan has his marriage to the Danorran, Lya Jierre, early next year.

TREMORS SHAKE FLINT

For the past few months, tiny tremors have shaken the city of Flint, which has no history of earthquakes. Docker poets portray this as a manifested metaphor of the rifts opening up between the different districts and cultures. Angry protests march through Bosum Strand and Parity Lake to denounce cruel treatment of factory workers.

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“GALE” STRIKES AGAIN!

The criminal known as “Gale” - so dubbed due to her singular ability to fly away from the scenes of her crimes, despite most scholars claiming that such flight magic is impossible - has sabotaged another factory in Flint. In the past month, she has been responsible for various acts of industrial sabotage, and for unmooring ships which drift into Flint Harbor and sink. She has won the sympathies of those who view industry as Danoran meddling, but many common workers see her as a threat to their livelihood. The government has labelled her a foreign provocateur with ties to the Vakeshi Mystics. She is also blamed for thefts from the homes of wealthy factory owners, for the killings of a company of surveyors who wandered in the Cloudwood to site a potential railroad, and for a botched assassination attempt against Kane Westman, a tax collector with strong political friends.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES ON THE RISE?

Organized crime, in the form of the Family criminal organization based in Crysillyir, is on the rise. Undercover reports indicate that the Family sees the growth of Flint as an opportunity to expand into a new market, and for the past year has been competing with various local gangs.

Morgan Cippiano, the face of the Family in Flint, has been heard to say that the organization deliberately focuses its violence against other criminals, wealthy factory owners, and



merchants, rather than everyday people. An intense rivalry is escalating between the Family and Lorcan Kell, who is reputed to be a fixture in the industrial smuggling scene.

NEVARD THE SKYSEER NEAR DEATH?

It is reported that pre-eminent skyseer, Nevard Sechim, is nearing the end of his long life. Nevard's closest family and followers have brought the old man to live out what

they expect will be his dying days near the henge where, for most of his life, he watched the stars every night. Younger skyseers are said to be consulting with him for advice on how to keep the ancient order alive and relevant in these times of industrial revolution.

For decades Nevard was one of the most prescient and respected skyseers in Risur. Recently, he withdrew into the Cloudwood east of Flint to focus on keeping his order alive.