

# THE BOOK OF METHUSELAH

ANCIENT WARGAMES CAMPAIGN

In 4 volumes

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Herpes the Great, sat on his Holy Commode, 969 BC

# METHUSELAH

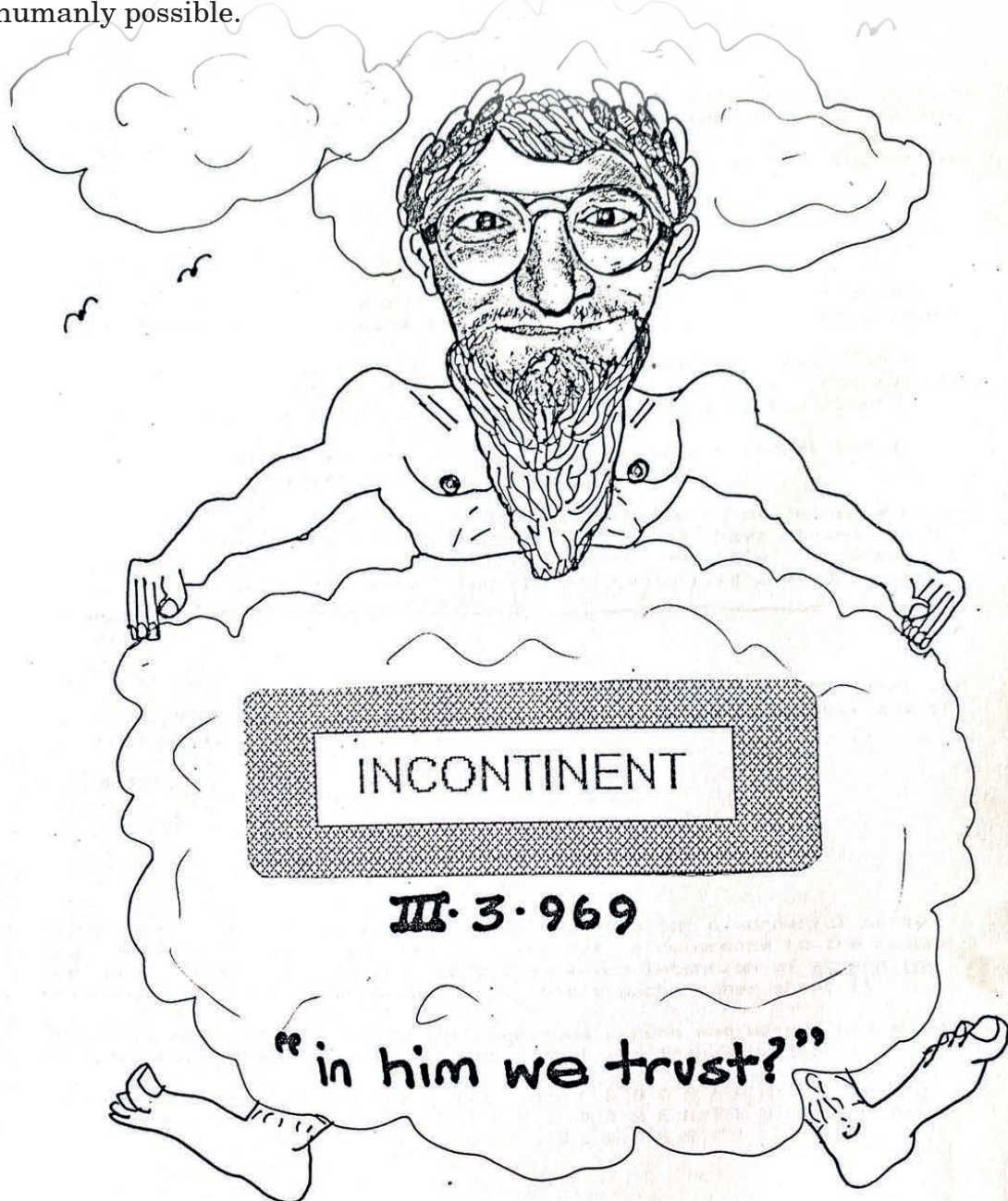
IN-CONTINENTS: 969 BC

## The *In-Continent*

The weekly newsletter, labelled the *In-Continent* played a vital role, and generated astonishing quantities of unfettered fun and enjoyment throughout the three years of the campaign.

All players, as well as God, freely contributed to this popular publication, sometimes anonymously, disseminating news items, battle reports (many of which were bogus), cartoons, a vast campaign related crossword, joke adverts, insults, oracle predictions, a blues number, various tragic poems and much more.

Most copies have survived but some are hard to ready. They have been reproduced here as legibly as humanly possible.



"IN-CONTINENT" I/3/969

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(Or "on the Grape-Vine")

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF METHUSELAH.  
FIRST WEEK / MARCH / 969  
(or I/3/969)

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PREFACE TO THE FIRST EDITION - by God himself.

WELCOME to our new batch of lillie white rulers and noblemen. (We've really got a right bunch this time). By now you should all have received our "Guide to Players". This is only to start us off. If you require ANY rules for WHATEVER purpose; please do not hesitate to give me a ring.....I mean consult my orifice...er Oracle. Pardon.

Please remember to get any additional, or changes of orders into heaven BY THIS WEEKEND for II/3/969. There-after I propose a weekly move, with orders arriving here by Friday night/Sat morn.

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ORIFICIAL WEATHER REPORT  
(or "windy exploits")

I/3/969

Wind: Strong SE  
Rain in Parbeerion Dominion and Belt of Occult  
Clear and bright in Indianus  
Elsewhere:Fog

Forecast for II/3/969  
Wind: Gales NW  
Intense Heat in Indianus  
Elsewhere, Clear and Bright

ISSUED ON 2nd September 1987

INDIANUS (or In-de-anus) REPORT.

As this is the first time the Indianus people have communicated with the rest of Methuselah, we thought that we would write something about our culture and general life-style.

We are a country made up of many feudal villages, each organised and run by the "Mazza" (a person selected by their people to organize them and protect them in time of war.) We are basically a peace - loving people; however our army is one of the best in Methuselah because it's troops fight for love of their country rather than personal gain.

On a lighter note, our main past-time is elephant racing, this is a very exciting sport and if any other members of Methuselah would like to join in the betting (and earn a little on the side) then call upon the Gods to communicate with us here in Indianus and we will send you further details.

We wish you all a very merry monsoon season and my your elephants never break wind in the presence of royalty,

Sophia,

Emporess of Indianus.

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SELEUCIDITE REPORT: IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!

King Eric Seleucid is currently seeking an appropriate suitor for his eldest daughter Lucretia. A DOWRY is promised: apparently negotiable. Unofficial reports on the "nubile" - (claimed by King Eric to be nineteen but actually thirty two) suggest that this announcement is a desperate attempt to rid the court of this plain, gloomy, and generally untrustworthy old bag. I suppose it depends on the size of her dowry (!).

It is suggested that a new religious foundation around Lachrymos should be set up. The aim being (it is claimed) to passify and preoccupy the "Bludist" fundamentalists of the Tertis Province. (Others see right through this means of creating "irregular A" fanatics!) These headstrong Monks (reputed to be lead by one Dervish Rastia) wish to create a religiously inspired state, and are therefore causing constant problems to the local governer: Meisterces Harandarices.

Local peasants living in the mountains near the Kyber Pass have reported signs of Seleucidite movements. What these "movements" are is not at all clear, as the said yo-kals only speak a strange dialect called Indite, and were obviously stoned.

MACEDONIAN REPORT

It is not generally the Macedonian policy to interfere with the business of other countries; however it has been brought to the notice of Alexander that The Dark Empire and certain parts of the Seleucidite Kingdom have become extremely degenerate. We therefore offer our help to all those who are oppressed in those regions - evoke the Gods and through them we will hear your cries.

Government of Macedon

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\*\*\*\*\* ADVERTS \*\*\*\*\*

The Athenian league has some great offers this week:-

MERCENARIES- held at pre-war prices for a limited period only.

GREEK HOPLITES	only 4 talents each
PELTASTS	also 4 talents each
CRETAN ARCHERS	at a rediculous 3 talents each
THRACIAN LMI	at 3 talents a man
LI SLINGERS AND JAVELINMEN	both at 2 talents each
ATHENIAN MERCENARY HORSE ARCHERS	at 4 talents (inc horse)
THRACIAN CAVALRY	at 5 talents each

information on stone-throwers on request.

A large selection of sea-faring vessels (with and without sails) are available for hire and sale (get it!) prices by agreement.

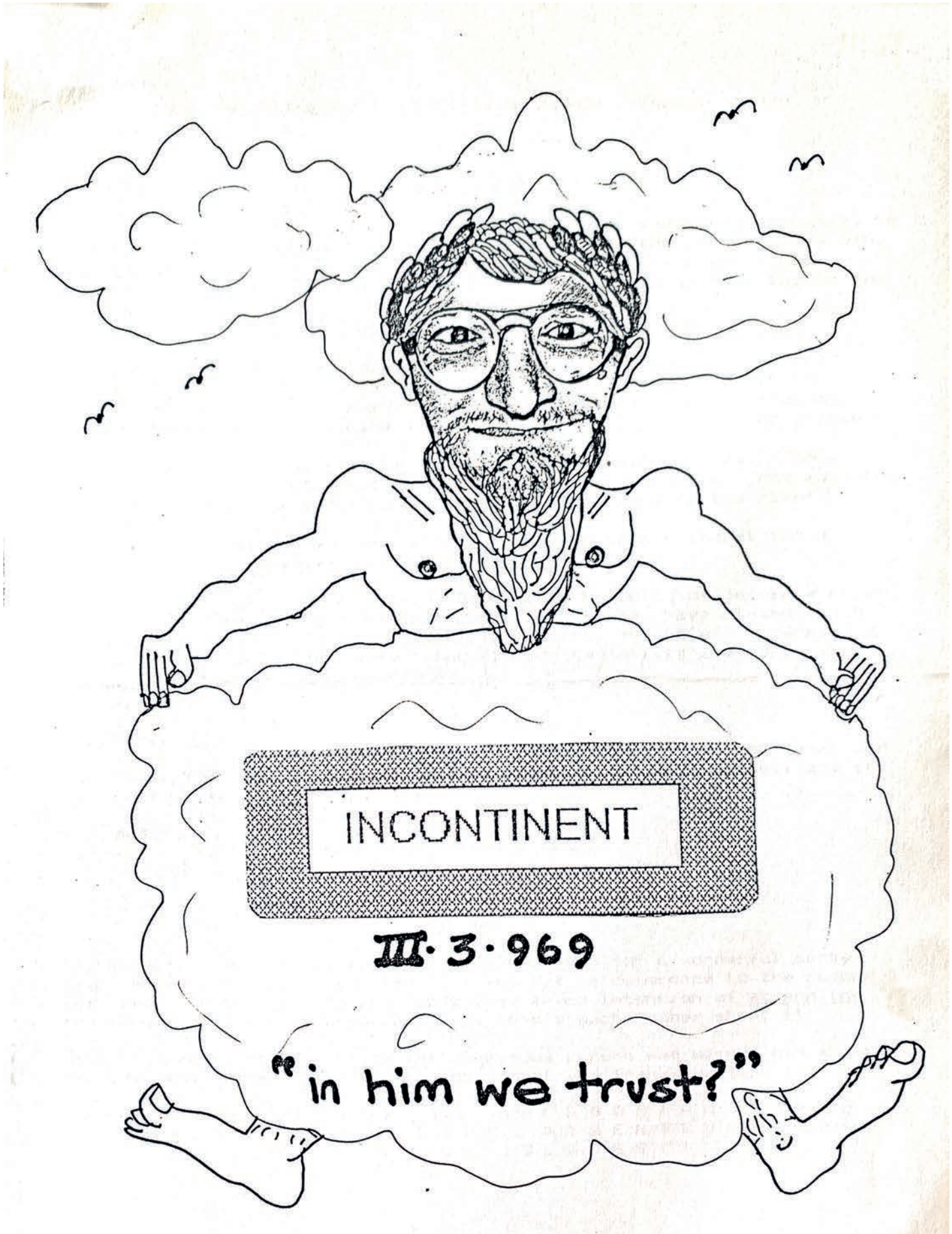
ALSO LOOSE WOMEN AND DIRTY MAGS-SEE EVERYTHING!!!!

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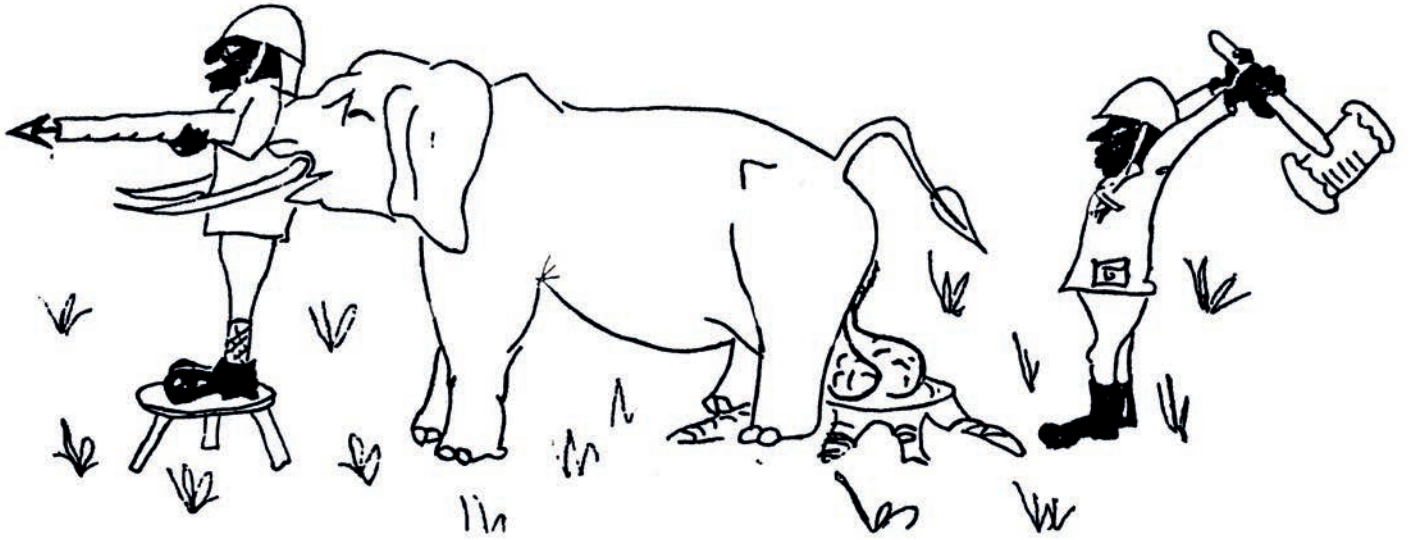
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Information received just before printing has lead us to report that the Seleucidites are riven by internal strife in a battle for succussion.

The DARK EMPIRE, feared by all (except perhaps the Occults were fear only their druid leaders) have mounted an invasion of Macedon from the North. Weather on the Macedonian border is so foggy at present that details are not known. More in next week's issue.



FARTENBLASTER'S  
NEW ARTILLERY



METHUSELAH

POTTED HISTORY SO FAR.....

for the benefit of the following characters who I am desperately trying to interest in taking part, but to date, have not committed themselves.

Richard Symons	Athenian League	London
Alex Coaker	Parbeerion Dominion	Ipswich
Andy Mummery	Belt of Occult	Bury St. Edmunds
Andy McCubbin	Serpian Empire	Leicester

The History of Methuselah started during the first week of March when THE DARK EMPIRE invaded MACEDON from the North West. The attack was repulsed, but it was enough to prompt the Macedonian admistration to mobilise all available troops to her northern borders. This proved disasterous for Alexander as another large force of Dark Empirialists with a contingent of newly aquired Athenian Mercenaries entered Macedon from the South (The back door)! They found the Capital - Alexandria - mostly undefended, except for some City Militia, who despite their brave efforts, (considering all Militia are "D" or "E" class) were soundly defeated at the gates of the great City. Macedon fights on.

The INDIANUS REGION has been running elephant races amongst other more secret military activities. The SELEUCIDITES were all too preoccupied with the internal problems of quelling BLUDDHISM which started to spread around LACHRYMOSA (KK5) until a Parbeerion Invasion prompted the armies of the 'Kingdom' to drop their Cassocks and reach for their weapons - and fast! The Seleucidites fight on.

The only information known to rulers regarding the 'Dormant States' is that the OCCULT is Druid run and partially evil, the ATHENIANS are into economic growth but harbour long standing and traditional grievances towards the SERPIAN EMPIRE. The PARBEERION DOMINION are mindless animals who rape and pillage and who's marching has till now been governed by the dice!



Situation Reports are your own private source of information, which tell you facts discovered by your own troops, scouts, spies etc. This newsletter is another source of information which is sent to all involved, and is largely an uncensored mass of information, much of which is presumed false! The new system whereby situation reports now include weather now means that ANYTHING published is now open to suspicion. Players are mostly responsible for the entries in the newsletter, contributions usually being sent on separate sheets of paper with orders. Communication between rulers is simple: Send your letter (clearly labelled) in with your orders and I will see that it is sent out with the next batch of Sitreps.

Each week (maximum) new orders can be sent to each "force" on the map. eg:

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Parbeerion Dominion Week 1 / May / 969 bc

- FORCE A           ROUTE MARCH TO GOULAYS VIA GLUTTONISH
- FORCE B           HOLD GOULAYS (!)
- FORCE C           START TO TRAIN RECRUITS IN FLEECE (FF2) AS  
FOLLOWS:

TRUMPETUS RECTUS (Commander in Chief) with cronies	124
18 "Regular B" Heavy Cavalry with Lances	190
32 "Reg B" Heavy Infantry with Pikes	208
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	522

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There is no reason why orders cannot be sent for indefinite periods should you be on holiday, on tour or just lazy. eg: Holding Goulays could take months. Marching to Goulays (from say Blewoff (Q6)) may take a force including heavy infantry at least two months! - actually quicker to recruit nearer the desired location.

Each weekend without fail, I send sitreps. There is no cost to the rulers. Rulers not replying to letters at least fairly regularly will be replaced. Until now three players and myself have run the continent but the time is ripe - now that we have the mechanics of the game sorted out - to open it up for the full compliment of eight rulers! The scope for alliances, diplomacy, trading and squaballing would be endless. Come and join us!

PRONOUNCEMENT FROM ALEXANDER OF MACEDON

Following last weeks interview with the Dark Emperor.

Herpes the Grunt ought to be ashamed of himself - publishing words like "POPPYCOCK" and other unutterables. Also ejaculating in a public newsletter. Disgusting behaviour. We know Herpes is all wind and now we know why; he owns animals with 27 BUTTOCKS! (I thought that bit might provoke comment - GOD.)

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\*\*\*\*\*                      PARBEERION INVASION SMASHED                      \*\*\*\*\*

An Exclusive from the Impervious Herald

Massive rejoicing was sweeping the Seleucidite Kingdom last night as news of a famous victory over the Parbeerians spread rapidly. The gigantic invading army of fearsome CATAPHRACTS and menacing horse archers worth some 2000 quintas had been routed beyond recovery by a force which most observers say could have been no more than one quarter its size. (Usual Rubbish from Mad Eric - GOD).

King Eric Seleucid, leading his small but gallant army into battle personally (unlike some other continent leaders we could mention) later gave us the following exclusive on the battle:

"Following a dastardly unannounced sea-borne invasion of Calcia (GG9) by hordes of these stinking barbarians, we had to respond quickly. Acting on impulse, I scraped together the few troops at my disposal and bravely marched out to meet the foe. It didn't take long to finish them off - in fact I'd just come back from a 20 minute jog and found that half their so-called army was already routing without bothering to attack us. I'd tell you what happened except that I missed most of it and anyway, our tactics are our business!"

It is clear that Methuselans everywhere can sleep easy (or whatever) in their beds tonight. With the safety of Seleucidi assured and the Parbeerians' pants down the continent has nothing to fear. After all, in the words of the King himself, "You can rely on Eric".

A spokesman for the Royal Palace said that countries applying for peace treaties with the Seleucidite Kingdom should act now to avoid the rush.

THE IN-CONTINENT      WEEK 4 / APRIL / 969 BC

INDIANUS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

We are shocked here in Indianus at the way in which Herpes the Runt has conducted himself. Our sympathy goes out to the people of Macedon. We would like to set up a disaster fund for the people of Alexandria. We are starting the fund by donating 100 Rupies. Please give generously (God will receive all direct debit mandates on behalf of us) - These peace loving good people need our help!

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STOP PRESS

Reports of the Macedonians attacking Athenia have been heard. These people must be mad - their own country is about to be wiped out of the history of Methuselah and they do nothing but attack others. Herpes the Great is obviously right about Alexander. He is an evil war like commander. Obviously after the Athenian Crumpet 'n booty.

Anon.

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APPENDIX TO PLAYERS GUIDE

ORDERS

These should be set out as per the example in last week's INCONTINENT. If possible PLEASE use 6" x 4" index cards only. The amount of data I am massing now that we have a "full house", is making strict organisation mandatory!

RECRUITING

There is now an extra charge of the full points value of each unit/General on commencement of training. The extra charge is to cover equipment - so far ignored - and any compensation due to dependants of the demise of the unit! It is hoped that this will stem the expendable use of units - so far a practise not yet rife!

GENERALS

These are recruited in the same way as a unit BUT the attainment of the full selected Morale Class of the General is not effected by his or her movement or fighting prematurely. Therefore, a General recruiting as "A class" will become so two full months after his training has started even though he may be wandering around with the "C class" units under his command after just one month. However, before the two months are up, he will still count for wargame puposes as the appropriate lower morale class that he has reached.

FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT

Troops are paid at the beginning of each new month, for services rendered during the previous month. Units destroyed in the previous month are not paid at all for that month. However, units starting training - say on week 4 of the previous month - are paid a full months wages. Any other system is too complicated for God.

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NEWS LETTER ITEMS

Items for the IN-CONTINENT are always welcome from all players. Just send in material seperately but attached to orders. Smallish items (rumours, adverts, proclamations, boasts) are easy for me to type in. However, I would prefer extended items (for example; last week's exclusive interview with Herpes the Goat) to be sent in duplicated TEN TIMES on A4 size paper. This is the only way I can publish any art work or any sort - maps, cartoons, racing chariot designs, anatomical analysis of the lower abdomens of noted enemy generals etc.

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IN CONTINENT 1ST WEEK MAY 969

SELEUCIDITE PANTS OFF

Zah magneeeeeeeeficent vorces of za greatly acclamated PARBEERION DOMINION brought zah puftta Sel-u-tit's excuses for zah army onto zah kneecaps last veek viza "hands-down-pants-off" contest of military virility; in vich zah equestrian skill of zah TRIUMPHANT PARBEERION DOMINION showed zah enemy farting elephants where to put ztheir - vot du you say - toilet paper!! Zis lack of frightening smelling jets did not upzet zah horse archers of zah grassy plains, who passed every vaver test in zah battle!

Zat zilly old Blacharnea Mayor and 'is little personage-guard of D class Pelt-arses ver chased from zah feild by our noble and VICTORIOUS PARBEERION DOMINION CATAPHRACTOI. Zah "not-smelly-enough-zis-time" pontsy elephantry in zah centre of zah Sel-u-titty excuses for zer army; ver shat on by vun hell ov zah snowstorm of arrows from zah UNDEFEATEABLE PARBEERION DOMINION HORSE ARCHERS.

Just zah very presance of the GLORIOUS PARBEERION DOMINION CAMEL CATAPHRACTOI vos more zan enough to put zer fear of Bluddher up ztheir elephantine-like posteriors. Zah MAGNANIMUS PARBEERION DOMINION metovorichally throw large lumps of zah VERY SMELLY camel dung at zer Sel-u-titty twats now captured in secret location. SZZPLOOSHZZZZ!!!

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OFFICIAL MACEDONIAN RELEASE

The high Authority of Macedon would like to send a sharply worded raspberry to Herp the Twurp.

Thankyou.

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AN ITEM FROM IN-DEE-ANUS

Sophia is delighted to offer her cousin BEN MARCATA for marriage to King Eric's daughter. The wedding will be a grand affair I am sure, drawing unknown numbers of people to watch a spectacle not seen since the 970 elephant races.

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IN CONTINENT 1ST WEEK MAY 969

SHOCK CHARIOT DEFEAT FOR PARBEERIONS

In an exciting race last night at the Stadium, Blacharnae, Prince Suileman himself - King Eric Seleucid's heir - crashed over the finishing line first. All wheels on his chariot were still intact, in an unforgettable race forced on the Seleucidites by their Parbeerion captors.

Gropus Groiniad, the other member of the Kingdom's "high brass" was involved in an unpleasant INCIDENT half way down the home straight, with the chariot of Thichish Zoyden (Parbeerion Sub-General). Zoyden's chariot had lost the nearside wheel, and when the offside one became loose as a result of a cruel whip-attack, he was flung out into the dirt and dung of the arena floor but hapilly was able to cut himself free from the reins before being dragged to his death. At this moment, Gropus Groiniad, who was in hot pursuit, and very close behind Zoyden, swerved his chariot violently to avoid riding over the floundering barbarian. However, this gallant move was thwarted when HIS chariot became unstable, and swung into Zoyden, who by this time had staggered to his feet unharmed. The impact knocked him down again, effectively putting him out of the race. If Groiniad had been going any faster, Thichish Zoyden would have been killed without doubt.

The legality of these deathride chariot races has been questioned on more than one occasion in the past. Ben Hernia, Eric's champion rider commented:- "If the Parbeerians want to play dirty, then they can expect to get as good as they give". The illegal occupation of Blacharnae by these bandits is a big enough thorn in the side of the "Kingdom" without the enforced participation in dangerous sports purely for the amusement of the invading army.

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CHARIOT RACING

Any rulers interested in sending their own champions to face Ben Hernia in this growing diversion? The rules, published by SKYTEX, include swerves, skids, acceleration, horses rearing up etc, and assorted dubious tactics seen in action in the above account. This particular activity may well prove popular enough to stage a continental league. Any one interested?

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IN CONTINENT FOR WEEK TWO OF MAY 969

MACEDONIAN DEFEAT

Inspite of a brave fight by 'Backupus' at Plutarch (N9) his army fell prey to the greater numbers of the Dark Empire. The EVIL ONES were almost exhausted and at least one cohort in one hell of a mess at the end of the day - but the local militia failed to reach the battlefield in time and the brave Back-up-us had to run for his life - a defeated but not demoralized man.

Long Live Alexander!

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One hundred rupies have successfully been donated to the Macedonian cause by an anononous donor. The strange Indian coins were received with thanks, and the mysterious country of origin was thanked by the now financially embarrassed Macedon.

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BELT OF OCCULT SOAP OPERA PROMISE

The name of the Occultic commander in cheif has now been released. This amazing woman, BOACONTRICTIA is said by some to have as many as 23 daughters - eat your heart out ERIC. She rides topless in a Coltic Chariot, with white bearded druids attending to her every desire. More will follow - possibly in episodes to keep us all waiting with baited breath.

NORTH-WEST-ENDERS IS COMING SOON.

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A REPLY TO INDIANUS

Thank you for your kind offer of BEN MARCATA as consort to my most magnificently beautiful daughter LUCRETIA. I am sorry to refuse your offer but I have had a much better one from the Dark Empire. I do hope that you will understand the delicate political situation that requires me to turn down what would in other circurstances be a blissful union.

Eric.

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PTO FOR THE FIRST OF OUR FULL PAGE CONTRIBUTIONS: FROM OLD HERP.

INCONTINENT    WEEK III MAY 969

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INCONTINENT WEEK 4 MAY 969

RULERS are reminded that a financial report follows next week for the month of May. Well done folks for surviving now three months!

The KING OF KINGS (Serbian Empire Monarch) has officially thrown in the towel. His resignation was received by God last week and ends weeks of abusive dreams, visions and thunderbolts. HOWEVER it is rumoured that although the Athenian City Councils are busy playing in a show in Manchester, they ARE still holding the balance of power in the League.

INDIANUS REGION are outraged at King Eric's refusal of the recent offer of marriage made earlier this month. "This means war" declares Sophia.

A BINDING PEACE TREATY is hereby declared between the righteous KING ERIC SELEUCID, and a large smelly Parbeerion aptly named VON-HILDERSTEIN-FARTEN-BLASTER. The treaty ends mutual captivity of opposing armies, held in locations secret within the Seleucidite Kingdom.

CONGRATULATIONS to Von-Hilderstein-Farten-Blaster on the occasion of his first orders, received and understood with great pleasure in the heavenly offices this week. The Parbeerion leader wishes to offer moral support to MACEDON in their time of great need, and offers deepest condolences to that country's population on the demise of their gallant commander-in-Chief.

Another SURPRISE NIGHT ATTACK of the besieged Capital City of Alexandria (Q13) was carried out by the fanatic Macedonians last Wednesday night. Light Cavalry even dismounted and a currently shaken Phalanx of Pikemen clashed together armour, pots and pans and strange antiquated porcelene condoms in an attempt to cause a diversion at the southern city gates.

The main attack came from the north but the Empire troops within, not only were not surprised, but were actually waiting to surprise the attackers. Messages had been sent into the City along well tested secret routes established at the commencement of the siege. (It was along these "routes" that poison - eventually killing an Allied General - was smuggled in). One can only assume that on this occasion, the message was either delivered into the wrong hands, or foul torture was used to extract information from half naked nymph-like Greek women who were until recently used by the Macedonians to get the Empire Generals drunk before assault! Some Generals get all the luck.

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IV.5.969

# the DARK EMPIRE

## PARBEERIANS INVASION FORCE LATEST.

News is just coming in of a large Parbeerian invasion force threatening Circumsizia and the whole of the eastern border. Local residents are asked to stay calm and lock themselves indoors. Help is on its way.

The Emperor is reported to have said that all offers of support to rid Methusala of this pestilence will be given consideration.

## MEANWHILE IN MACEDON

The Imperial relief force led by Vermicelli VERRUCA was bravely repulsed by the sieging Macedonians led by Zeus. "They are brave but also very stupid," Verruca said. "Time is definitely running out. If they insist on fighting to the bitter end then so it shall be. We mean business— just look what happened to Alexander!"

## OBITUARY

Alexander of Macedon. DOB unknown—decapitated III.5.969

Alexander, born the bastard son of an evil prostitute wench from Pausanias, rose up from a working class background and studied at the Lexidian school of contemporary dance where he became affectionately known as Susaa.

He was however a lonely boy until his late twenties when he simultaneously fell in love with a Greek Cypriot Catholic priest and discovered anti perspirant.

Jilted a mere 12 months later he returned to his home town where his poverty led him to join the army, just as a very good friend of his mothers, Phillip of Macedon (Uncle Phil she used to call him) had wanted him to. Phillip, who was indeed ruler of the province at that time, put in a good word for him and sure enough within 3 weeks Alexander was made Commander in Chief of the entire Macedonian Army.

Despite an attempt to dessert to India, when he was thwarted by the fact that his army unfortunately and obediently followed him and conquered the country by accident, Alexander stayed in control of the Macedonians for a further 10 whole years, chiefly, some said, because he was the only Greek alive who knew the difference between a sabre and a salami sausage.

Sadly, news has reached us of his execution.



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news just in of a night attack in Alexandria.  
One Imperial trooper said to have been bludgeoned  
to death by a unit of Phlangites waving long red meaty  
objects. Autopsy shows signs of garlic poisoning.

## SUPPLIMENT

THE INCONTINENT FOR THE FIRST WEEK OF THE SUMMER - 1/6/969

MACEDON HAS FALLEN!

OFFICIAL REPORTS INDICATE THE FINAL COLLAPSE OF THE NATION AGAINST THE MIGHT OF HERPES "THE EVEN GREATER". MACEDONIAN TROOPS ARE TO BE EXILED OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS. COMMIZERATIONS GO TO ALLEXANDER WHO NOT ONLY HAS LOST HIS HEAD BUT NOW HIS DOMINION. CONGRATULATIONS TO HERPES. (BOO! HISS!)

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-THE SAGA OF OCCULT-

-PART ONE-

In the far-off days, O best beloved, there was a fair land, North of the Dark Empire, full filled with light and music. Minstrels tripped their way merrily from village to village and all the people were happy people. But then (one Saturday morning), a stranger entered the land. Dressed in rags and smelling like the inside of a Serpian Wrestler's jock-strap, he leered about him with lascivious eyes and drooled. This was GUTROT THE INFINITELY EVIL, envoy of the even eviller Druid Priest-King SNOTGOBBLER. This man was so incredibly horrible that he would predict the futere using the entrails of members

of his own family. This brings us to his second great attribute which was his astonishing loins! He had fathered so many Children in his incredibly long life that an entire Nation had been created and were even then interbreeding rapidly leading to a race of low-eyebrowed, stinking, slimy little people. To ensure the continuance of this particular line it was only the least moronic and hideous looking the he sacrificed to the Druidic Gods.

Gutrot had been sent to ascertain whether this fair land was suitable for a take over bid by the wandering, homeless HORDE OF OCCULT. Gutrot could see that it had possibilities but it was really too -nice-. So the report he took to Snotgobbler, who was hovering with his Horde just beyond the borders, was that it had possibilities but would need a certain amount of alteration.

Thus (the following Monday) the mindless savagery of the HORDE OF OCCULT was unleashed upon the unsuspecting and peaceful citizens. The pages of this refined and august journal (bullshit-Ed.) were no place to retell the awful events of that spring day - suffice it to say that it was jolly good fun if you were on the right side!

Thus the Horde of Occult, with their Druids and their

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Preist-King came to found the state of Occulst. The alterations mentioned involved smashing just about everything, erasing and vegetation thereby altering the climate to perpetual winter, poisoning the lakes and rivers to cause mutant wildlife and generally making it suitable for the uniquely Occultist life style. Thus was a nation forged.

Next time - learn about Boaconstricta's family history and the reason why Occult is now poised to DUFF EVERYBODY UP!

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Macedon has finally submitted to the ugly will of the D.E. - The Gods were obviously with them (lies I tell you - The Gods) - may they rot in Macedon until the power of good returns to that  
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plighted Kingdom.

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Alexander lives. The man the D.E. has executed cannot possibly be Alexander - he has been in hiding around Alexandria ever since the start of the campaign. The man the Empire described in their cruel obituary is obviously not old enough let alone "Man" enough to be Alexander (Susan indeed!).

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THE EMPIRE welcome old "FARTBUSTER" to Methuselah. We would like the stinking Parbeerions to consider opening trading negotiations - how about 30 cases of DIODORANT for starters?

### CHARIOT RACING THIS WEEK

At the newly opened DIPHtheria (HH11) STADIUM, Three countries' charioteers took part:

Lane 1    Syrius Quivers            from the Serpian Empire.  
Lane 2    Thrashen Pansoff            from the Seleucidite Kingdom  
Land 3    Fred Kott & friends from the Indianus Region

In an exciting finish, the Serpians finally won after actually riding over (and killing) the Kingdom's contestant: Thrashen Pantihose: who had been thrown from his (scythed) chariot

minutes earlier! Throughout the race, Fred Kott and friends drove recklessly around the course loosing all their wheels before the third lap - eye witness accounts talked of an apparent wild party in progress on board!

Names of contestants for future races please to God.



INCONTINENT FOR WEEKS TWO AND THREE, JUNE 969.

PLEASE NOTE

Orders are still required weekly, even though sit reps for this month are currently only fortnightly! Next reports therefore will be issued Sunday 13th December. If you are busy over Christmas, please issue standing orders to cover the period - or suffer "dice desicions"!

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GALES LAST WEEK

These brought disastours to more than one country. Fleets are always prone to trouble during gales if and when they crop up. This was in June too! Be warned!

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SEPTIMUS SYPHILLIS' SIN WAGON

YES - the Empire's evil Chariot to end all evil chariots. The world of Methusela(H) (I wish Herp could spell) is challenged. Chariot racing report to follow in next edition. Come on Fartenhuasen, and Boacontriciboobs - send in your Chariot Champions and ride against Ben Hernia, the current champion!

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SERPIAN INVOLVEMENT

Serpien Aministration shocked by invasion!

The King of Kings has quickly condemned the attack on Babylon by the Indianus Empire this week. Repeated calls on Emporess Soppier to remove her forces have been ignored. Serpia is roused!

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# the DARK EMPIRE

## THE EMPERORS CHARTER

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The following commandments are reprinted for the benefit of the subhumans living in the once-called province of Macedon;

Thou Shalt...

- i) Worship the Emperor
- ii) Pay Taxes and Rent to the Empire
- iii) Laugh at the Emperors jokes
- iv) Buy a copy of the Emperors latest hit single, "If I ruled the world"-in most good record stores

Thou Shalt Not...

- i) pull funny faces at the Emperors soldiers
- ii) Eat donor kebabs



*HERP.  
the even greater!*

## FIRST CLASS CITIZENSHIP

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All landowners who are capable of supplying equipment funds and manpower for the Imperial Army are invited to apply for first class citizen status now.

This will entitle you to enjoy the benefits currently experienced by those showing allegiance to the Empire, such as free gambling, drinking, violence and bestiality vouchers, or private health care.

Dont forget, this offer closes 10am on Saturday 11/6/969.

The Dark Empire PLC

## AND FINALY...

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Dear BOA BIGBOOBYWOOBIES. Would an old pair of Herps testicle restrainers be of any use to you? His old bollock-hammocks should fit perfectly.

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COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS please re: new style Sit. Reps. done out by Bertha. Almost any configuration of report is possible. If you desperately feel, for example, that you want to know your balance every week and your comprehensive deployments only every month - let me know! I am still learning how to use this powerful beast to my best advantage.

FINANCIAL reports are included for last month - disgustingly overdue I'm afraid. This month's costs will include a blanket 50 point debit for betting fees incurred in the SELEUCIDITE GRAND SUMMER CHARIOT CHALLENGE. Reports of this event follow. Congratulations to the winners: Fred Kott and friends. They receive the "Winner Takes All" prize of 400 Shekels!

GRAND SELEUCIDITE SUMMER CHARIOT CHALLENGE  
Tuesday 29th Dec.(Greg time)

MEGA GARGANTUAN STADIUM, ALUMNI

Initial positions as diced for were:

- Lane 1. Boaconstrictia's Boob Buggy.
- Lane 2. Macedonian Puppet Chariot: Ex Alexandrian Axle Grinder.
- Lane 3. Ben Hernia in the Kingdom's Kamikaze Crate.
- Lane 4. Mad Max in the Parbeerian Pulverizer.
- Lane 5. Serpian Sedan.
- Lane 6. Fred Kott (Son of Sennakott) and Friends.
- Lane 7. Athenian League's Limousine.
- Lane 8. Sid Syphillis Sin Wagon.

Soon after Boaconstrictia's "Front heavy" Chariot started the race, the first casualties became evident! On the first bend, the Macedonian contestant, having been thrown out of his chariot, was mercilessly mown down by the rampant Serpian Sedan! Fred Kott and friends then ruthlessly veered off to run over the evil Sid Syphillis, who had also been evicted from his vehicle! (Fred and friends seemed well oiled even at this stage!). This uncontrolled carnage continued when the Parbeerian Pulverizer rammed the Serpian Sedan, the Boob buggy overturned on an outside bend, the League's Limousine reared up on the barrier fence on lap number two, and the Parbeerian's Vehicle also met a sticky end!

This left only Mad King Eric's champion, Ben Hernia, (the host chariot), and Fred Kott and Friends (still apparently oblivious of the fact that he was indeed in a death race - and NOT enjoying a party with his mates!). The race looked all but won by Hernia, when he headed off the Indianus Chariot (halting them just before the final straight), and his horses crossed the finishing line at full speed - but by a quirk of fate, his wheels skidded wildly to the left, overturning his chariot ACTUALLY ON THE LINE!!!!!! Fred Kott's machine ambled home to receive the coveted 400 quints prize. He did'nt seem to be aware of his victory; the merry band of Indianus Charioteers completed another three reckless laps of the stadium, (dodging the seven wrecks), before stopping off at the local pub, (The "Eric and Dragon") for a few swift be vies.

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FRED KOTT would like to thank whoever gave him 400 Quints last Tuesday. Fred Kott and his Friends had a wonderful party and were only interrupted once by a stupid twit who ran out in front of their vehicle. Luckily, no damage was done to the horses. Fred is concerned however, that so many parties were being held in such a confined space. "Someone could get hurt" said Kott, when he'd sobered up.

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SOPHIA, EMPRESS OF INDIANUS, Hereby decrees the entrance of her personal elephant Nellina, in the Parbeerian Farting Tournament . Once smelt, never forgotten.

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DECLARATION OF WAR.

As a result of the recent sequence of events at Alumni Stadium, where the Macedonian Charioteer was mercilessly murdered by the Occult, Herpes the Great has declared war on THE BELT.

"A deliberate act of aggression punishable by death" said the emperor, in an after dinner speech to the Pompeii Rotary Club.

"It is sad for me to admit that the land of Methuselah is no longer the place it was. Their now walks amongst us bloodthirsty purveyors of foul language, foul smelling with extremely bad breath.

former glory, when I shall rule the world and my subjects will live in peace and harmony.

Emperor. Give up your arms and be spared. Resist at your peril!!"

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THE INDIANUS REGION AND THE SELEUCIDITE KINGDOM ARE VERY HAPPY;  
BUT THEY ARE NOT SAYING WHY!

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"Thank you" from King Eric, to all surviving participants in the excellent chariot race last week, and condolences to relatives of the dead. At least Chariot racing is a real man's sport instead of poncy mud-wrestling and the NEBULOUS FARTING GAME, where most contestants seem to be full of more wind than real macho substance.

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PEASANTS REVOLT IN BLEWOFF

Rumors of Imperial support given to the Blewoff Popular Front, a splinter group of the Parbeerion Liberation Organization (PLO), who are fighting for independence in the Macedonian border region, have been quashed today. A Montefortino helmet of a distinctly Imperial type was later found to have "made in Taiwan" stamped on the inside.

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NEW REGULATIONS ON SETTLEMENTS

Due to the advance in God's Technology, Automatic debiting and Crediting will be undertaken at the end of each month. This puts more emphasis on making sure that you are in possession of any Towns/Citys/Villages that you wish to occupy at the END of each month. The old rule about holding new acquisitions for a full month BEFORE they become yours "for keeps" has now been thrown out of the window. Settlements that were "passed through" by your armies will remain in your administration until enemy troops pass through them at a later date.

Finances have been assessed for this month already - see sit reps.

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SERPIAN ANNOUNCEMENT

The King of Kings would like to announce that the SODS who are currently invading his privacy will be dealt with by his Immortal army. The number of foreigners who have recently been detected on Serpian Soil now has gone BEYOND A JOKE and the matter will be dealt with by the Ministry for Evicting Unwelcome Guests.

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OBITUARY

Molestious the Parbeerian was a good and just man, and only farted a little bit (usually in the afternoons). He had only just reached his full commission to command in the field against the Empire, when his small Force was set upon by the deadly enemy- commanded by none other than Psoriasis and Dermatitis, leading FOUR times as many soldiers as he. He fought bravely to the end, in the front rank of his heavily armoured regiment of horse, but when Psoriasis charged in on his flank, his unit wavered, and he fell prey to the red stained swords of the Empire.

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LATEST UPGRADES ON SIT. REPS.

Forces' Listings are now additionally sorted in order of their Hex Location (from the West to East). This means that FORCE A may not be listed first, but that any forces that are in the same hex WILL BE LISTED TOGETHER. This idea is thanks to Herp.

Sit Reps are soon to include the individual characters of all force generals (Cautious, Unreliable, Rash or Bold). This information will then be available to help determine, for example, the success or failure of shadowing forces attempting to evade from larger enemy bodies etc.

New and improved weather reports are also to feature during the Autumn. Different weather on the six different areas of water, and the possibility of forecasts for each country that are likely to have at least some bearing on the weather which follows.

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SELEUCIDITE KINGDOM ANNOUNCEMENT

The King of Kings is obviously not aware of the dire threat to his position posed by his intransigence over the issues of Babylon and fishing rights. He would be will advised to join the winning forces of the League and the Kingdom while he can.

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BABYLON (HH16) FALLS

The Seige of Babylon has at last been lifted. With a relief force apparently on it's way to aid the besieged Serpian Immortals, valiantly defending the Great City, the Serpians 'Sallied Forth' to attack the Anus-Indies. Unfortunately, unbeknown to them, The 'Rescue Force' from near-by Paphlagonia had been intercepted. ( News of this encounter has not yet reached the Incontinent Office ).

The Indianus Chariots swept away the Elite and Armoured Serpian Infantry in an impetuous drive at the centre. Kexxes himself was wounded in a hail of heavy longbow arrows, from the 'Second Faridcot Infantry Archers'. Meanwhile, The Median Auxiliaries were ridden down by the very same faridcot Chariots, finally completing a humiliating defeat at the very gates of the City.

The Young Empress Sophia Herself, personally leading her troops outside Babylon, was seen to have been emotionally moved as the

first of the now free Indianus prisoners were released into the bright Serpian Sunshine. General Alib (BLEST BE TO ALLAH), said "Ve Had 'ell of time under dat vely vely bad Zerkzees."

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#### SET BACK FOR THE INDIANUS INVASION OF PARBEERIA

A surprize assault on Goolays (AA3) was foiled last night..... following the detection of a treacherous plot, involving none other than the Commander In Chief of the Parbeerion Garrison under seige; Stinka-Bossa. In fact there is doubt as to the true identity of this rather shady character, who had been arousing suspicion ever since he was discovered secretly removing an obviously false beard and mustache. The traitor was known to have sent a message to the beseiging Indianus Forces, saying that he would open the gates at the dead of night, and surrender the garrison. However, a trap was set and the invaders were cut down in cold blood as they entered the city gates.

The Trator has since been Pole-Axed, in the best traditions of the Parberian Dominion, by peasants armed with blunted steak mallets, broken off bits of rusty guttering (you know - the bits with the down pipe still attached), and other more general building site equipment.

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#### PARTY INVITATION TO ALL FELLOW METHUSELAHNS

Come and have a wild time in Fred Kott's Chariot.

This Saturday!!

Bring a chariot wheel.

Entertainment to include nude Elephant dancing!!!!

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THE INCONTINENT FOR WEEK II of August 969.

KINGDOM INITIATES "GET TOUGH" POLICY

Eric Seleucid last week announced a change in Kingdom Foreign Policy which is intended to 'Beef Up' the Army's current strength of a pitiful total of Two Home Guard "Regular D" Pike units, and not much else! In a wide ranging speech, he mentioned money no less than thirty five times, and concluded with a sustained verbal assault on the expansionist policies of the Continent's Aggressors. Our correspondent reports that this is likely to mean that he wants to join in the action, although this has been promised MANY times by Eric before, without anything happening!

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A F R E I N D:  
W A T C H Y O U R N O R T H E R N B O R D E R S !  
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Belt of Occult  
IN THE ACTION.

Yes folks! For the first time in The History of Methuselah, Spit Dribbler, Thor the Brainless, and Baldrix have been out on the wargames table, against - of course - THE EMPIRE! The battle, still raging, is said to be a "Big One". The Empire pounced on a small patrol, who evaded back toward the "Main Body" of a substantial BELTIC force. Perhaps the two sides concerned will submit individual reports in next week's edition - Obviously suitably biased.....

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- PARBEERIAN DOMINION -

In the face of extreme pressure from both ends - (something Farten-Blaster Himself is very much used to), The Dominion is SHAMEFULLY BURYING IT'S HEAD IN THE SAND. The only result of this regrettable behavior, will be the DEATH of a nation!!

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THE INCONTINENT FOR WEEK III of August 969.

Godly Intro.

Orders PLEASE on 6"x 4" index cards.

Any chance of sending orders in, for each force, in the ORDER that it appears in your Sit. Reps? ie: From Top Left of board, to bottom right. This would save me much frustration.

Thank-you.

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Hernia Due For Come-Back Soon.

Speaking from his hospital bed in Impervious, where he is recovering from multiple fractures obtained in the "Mass-Chariot Race" at Alumni, Ben Hernia last night announced his imminent return to the "Arena of Death". He was later reported to have organized a one-wheeled wheelchair race at the hospital as the first stage of re-training.

To The Emperor, Herpes The Great.

B E - W A R E   T H E   I D E S   O F   S E P T E M B E R ! !

ANON.

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Reward for Glutinous Maximus.

The Emperor Gladly announces that in reward for his remarkable achievements (viz kicking big-jobs\* out of the "Belt of Nocult")

GLUTINOUS MAXIMUS  
is duly appointed  
GOVERNOR OF THE BELT

All resistance from any brainless barbarians, to his authority will be stamped on. Long live the Emperor. Power to the PARBEERIAN POPULAR FRONT. Hooray for Dolly Parton.

\*Editorial Necessity - God.

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Editorial

Please note that it is now the Autumn. As weather now reflects the seasons, please beware of nasty combinations of wind and rain or snow. NB: The references made to BELCH OF OFFAL which follow throughout this newsletter, represent wind of a different sort, in combination with Boaconstrictia.

Please check your Settlement listings sent at the end of August. Are there any omissions, wrong tax figures, or even wrong hex locations? I noticed that one of Fartenblasters towns appeared to be located in the Black Sea through a minor clerical error!

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A PROCLAMATION

"They create a desolation and call it peace"

To all free, or formerly free citizens of Methuselah: At last the iron grip of the Dark Empire has been broken, the facade has cracked and the whole rotten-beamed edifice must shortly come crashing down.

The Belt of Occult invites you free peoples to join with her in a Crusade against the Evil One. She also assures the oppressed that liberation is at hand for those who rebel.

Now, if Ever, is the time. Let us rise together and crush the Empire for Good!

Love and Kisses,

Boaconstrictia

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SIX MONTHS AGO

(A regular back-dated look at the METHUSALAHN DIARY)

This week, Methuselah celebrates it's first six months of existence. The Diary entry for I/3/969 reveals the following

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salient points. (No information of any military significance will be revealed. Fear not, all those who are still hatching six-month long plans. Nothing will be leaked of ANY INTEREST: only boring material will be printed).

Three Indianus envoys were killed at Racken-ruin by the pre-Farten-Blaster administration of Parbeeria!

Although delayed by Fog, the Empire's "LEGIO-BRIX" was dispatched from Keysius (K17) unbeknown to the late Alexandria of Macedon, in hired merchant vessels, with orders to attack the Macedonians across their Southern borders after, paying for Athenian Mercenaries (handsomely) en-route.

The first engagement of the campaign was won and lost at Exandra (M9), when the invading Claudius Hepititus and Sergius Psoriasis were defeated by the Macedonian Defense Force under Ariadne.

King Eric was thinking about the possibility of drawing up a feasibility study to establish facts enquiring into the probability of a limited action (against whom he did not say), with a view to escalating the conflict should he be able to pluck up enough courage, AND the whole affair not cost him more than eighteen quintis!

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SAGA OF THE OCCULT, VOLUME XXIMC

A report from our man at Wolfs.

.....As the darkness closes around me, and draws a veil over the awful scene, I turn to Thor The Brainless for his assessment (incidentally, his fingernail is now completely recovered).

"Well, I though it was a good match Brian, the boys did well as a team and they're full of commitment. We'll just take one battle at a time and I'm really pleased for the crowd back home".

Hoping for a more "In Depth Analysis", I'm now bringing in his Second in Command and Shieldbearer; Thorsprung Durch Technu.

"Ja vell, see, ve wanted to rid our land of ze Dark Empire Scourge, V'once and for ever and so, having shadowed Glutinous Maximus for some time, ve pounced ven he vas not looking and have destroyed his army, and sent hims squealing in

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ze direction of Milinus!!!!"

.....Well I can certainly confirm that the Belt has won an astonishing victory today. The Dark Empire Expeditionary force is in absolute tatters, and small groups are having to make their way individually back to Mars. Glutinous Maximus has been totally discredited and was last seen being forced to give his own soldiers piggy-backs over the border towards Milius. The Battle of Wolfs has been a shattering blow to the Empire numbers, and more importantly, morale.

This is Alabaster Burnthead, News at 969, Wolfs.

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".....Ho Ho Ho! Hee Hee Hee, Well Well Well, who'd have thought it. Well I never, bless my soul, Tee Hee Hee....."

The Incontinent recently interviewed the man in the street in the  
BELCH OF OFFAL

(Real Country's name changed to protect the innocent)  
about the latest political and military situation in that  
country, but this was all we could get out of him.....

".....Haw Haw Haw, Dark Empire!!! Chortle, Chortle, giggle  
giggle, Glutinous Maximus, Ha Ha Ha! Governor of the Belch, Ho,  
Ho, Hee Hee, .... ". At this point, out interviewee died in a  
paroxysm of uncontrollable mirth.

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URGENT MESSAGE TO THE DEMOCRATIC HOPLITE COUNCIL

Please respond to the following:

Power Struggle Develops within the League. One Geoff Reeves is making a bid for President. Will you exert your authority, or will the usual absence of communication end your prosperous, if dull reign. ?????

THIS WEEK'S JOKE: GLUTINOUS MAXIMUS.....

"VENI VIDI CRAPI"

"I CAME, I SAW, I SOILED MY TOGA"

IN ANSWER TO BOACONSTRICIA'S PROCLAMATION

Sophia of Indianus replies

R I G H T   O N   S I S T E R ! !

LEAGUE ON VERGE OF SURRENDER.

"Invasion of Thebes a total success", reports the King of Kings. "Their long thrusting bazookis are all beat now: That will serve them right for daring to tread on Serpian soil!!".

STOP PRESS

Reports are just coming in which will undoubtedly effect diplomatic relations between King Eric and Herpes The Great. It is reported that Lucrecia Seleucid, recently married to Legendary Imperial War Hero Morritious Minorious (Morris to his mates) has been caught in bed with a lowly but well endowed black slave: Milus Longewilli. In a fit of rage, Minor was alledged to have drawn his sword and severed the head of his wife (for just twenty eight days) with one blow!

He has now left Venicium and is back on campaign with the Imperial Army in Parbeeria.\* We hope to have an interview with him in next week's Issue!.

\*God has seen no evidence of his actually WORKING??? As far as the Heavenly records go, he appears NOT to be on the Pay roll.

**DARK**



**EMPIRE**

THE EMPEROR SPEAKS ....

Let it be known that nothing remains secret from the EMPIRE. My powers of inner sight tell me that an evil allegiance is stirring in the eastern hemisphere of Methusalah. Such rebellion will not be tolerated. From this day forth any act of aggression against the Imperial Army will be considered a DECLARATION OF WAR and the consequences will be far reaching.

Eric the "stark raving mad" hear this: One peep out of you and I'll blow you off the face of Methusulah. To date you can thank your lucky stars that a stretch of water lies between us. My first fleet has been given orders to sail to within striking distance of your shoreline, so if by any chance you have it in mind to play games with me and join these rebels, be warned..... your dim witted peasant "army" will be no match for the EMPIRE.

Elephant Nel of Indianus, you are likewise warned. Your illegal occupation of Parbeeria has not gone unnoticed. Keep your distance for the local people from Tarnish U2 to Red Salami U5 are loyal to the Emperor and are grateful for the support given to the Parbeerian Liberation Organisation.

And as for the Ocult. While you busy yourself with the history of your hideously deformed race your future is looking decidedly empty. You have but a short while to swear allegiance to the Empire before my soldiers reduce your villages to charcoal.

AND FINALLY...

Full battle honours are given to Glutinus Maximus who despite an absurd attack from a bunch of bloodthirsty barbarians never once forgot his military training and ran like mad when he thought he was losing. Such unheroic action is the cornerstone of our generalship at undoubtedly spurred the army on to victory...GOOD SHOW GLUTTY!

*Herp.*

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OMNIPOTENT COMMENTS

What shall we do over winter folks? Troops are not supposed to be wanting to do anything during the dark months of January and February. During December they are paid. Can I propose that, with general consent, we use December to make sure that all units are "bedded down" for the winter, and that on completion of 969, we start again the following week with March of 968? Forces not properly in supply, and garrisoned for the last two months of winter will be duly penalized.

We welcome a new Democratic Hoplite Council President to the Methuselahn fold: Mr Geoff Reeves of Luton (Real name not known yet!).

KINGDOM EXPRESSES REGRET.

The Seleucidite Kingdom is sorry to hear of the Dark Empire's paranoia over the so-called threat to the Emperor's omnipotence. In fact the Seleucidites are far more interested in assessing the record grain harvest and in developing new education policies than in interfering in the petty national squabbles currently going on in Methuselah. Herpes should bear in mind, however, that any invasion of the Kingdom's Territory by the Empire on any pretext will be dealt with quite severely by our upgraded phalanx. Please give my daughter a decent (non-pagan) burial, by the way, even if she was a bit of a slut.

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This time Herp has gone too far: Our occupation of Parbeeria is no less illegal than his - SO STICK THAT UP YOUR TOGA AND SMOKE IT!

SOPHIA.

P.S. Talking of hideously deformed races, (Herp's description of the Occult): This Week's Joke: Herp's "Other Extremities".

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BLUDHIST REVOLT GROWS.

Internal unrest within the province of Tertis, the Northern reaches of the Seleucidite Kingdom, appears to be growing. Religious riots have been reported in Lachrymosa recently.

REPORTS ARE COMING THROUGH OF A SLAVE UPRISING

Slave Uprising in the Dark Empire - not seen UNTIL Spartacus (!). Reports indicate vicious rioting, and unrest in Visionada, Napoli, Hirus and Dali: All in the SW! (About time he had some trouble).

DARK EMPIRE AMBASSADOR TO KINGDOM COMMITS SUICIDE.

Palace sources report that Chopper Bollockov, the respected Dark Empire Ambassador to the Kingdom, was yesterday found dead in his private apartments. A Post-Mortem has revealed that Chopper was found with his scrotum tied round his neck and his intestines wound around his body five times. Seleucid Police are treating the matter as a standard case of sexual self-abuse gone sadly wrong.

THE SAGGY OF SKULK.

In the really not very far off days at all (oh best beloved) the Occult nation was ripe for reunification and entry to the international club of Methuselahn States on equal terms. Boaconstrictia it was who forged this new force in the snowy North. This year's campaigning in the Belt has been rather eventful and the cowardly Empire attack across the Western borders has meant that Boa's task of replacing the leaders in that benighted corner of his realm was made considerably easier. The Empire habit of forcing the Village Elders to eat their own large intestines has cleared the way for the new Occult regime to strengthen it's hand.

Thus, now that the bulk of Empire forces have been ejected (or even ejaculated) from the Belt, and the only remaining force been out of supply for weeks, are starving and increasingly incontinent for fear of the infamous Occult ambushes, the way is open for the unleashing of a major power in the North.

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Rumours are now circulating in the cities of the northern Dark Empire of strangers in the streets, the sound of horsemen by night and the disappearance of many a border patrol and civic militiaman. The Empire soldiers speak with awe of an elite force, a Spetsnats or S.A.S., which has penetrated deep into enemy territory on de-stabilizing raids. Only last week the Vice Consul (Or was it Ford Prefect?) of Juventus was found with his throat cut, and the citizens of Milano awoke to find their walls daubed with hideous Occult signs. What can it mean? Can Herp Sleep Safe? Is it true that he has a price on his bollocks?

See next times exciting installment of ..... The Saga of Occult.

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INCONTINENT FOR WEEK III.9.969 SUPPLIMENT FROM THE DARK EMPIRE.

His Imperial Majesty Herpes the Great wishes it to be known that from this day forth Methusalah is in a state of War of the grandest scale

“ I can no longer tolerate the gross stupidity and impertinence of the barbarian cultures outside of my Empire

We have demonstrated many times the might of the imperial army over weaker and unruly opponents, but still they insist upon ridiculous taunts and jibes. The rebels will be taught a lesson.

GLUTINOUS MAXIMUS is ordered to burn every village in the Belt as punishment for the ludicrous suggestion that his forces had won a victory over the Empire, such propaganda is laughably incorrect.

CLAUDIUS HEPITITUS, who led a victorious invasion of Macedon, is now poised to gain control of Parbeeria over Indianus with a massive expeditionary force and the support of the PLO

LUGI LEUKAEMIA and the might of the Imperial First Fleet is within striking distance of the Selucidite shores, awaiting my instructions to crush the whinging militiamen of Mad Eric's Kingdom

LUDICROUS EXPENSIUS has crossed over into Serpian Borders with instructions to seek out and destroy any treacherous rebel forces in the so called Serpian 'Empire' ”



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DIVINE THOUGHTS

Welcome to Geoff Reeves as the new Athenian Ruler.

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HEAR THIS OH FARTEN-BLASTER: Your days are numbered as a ruler of so noble a Dominion as Parbeeria. Your troops are despondent. Your lack of commitment has caused demoralization. Your invaders are all over you. Internal strife is imminent unless you mend your ways.

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It has been requested, following last week's comments on Winter activities, that January and February be represented by one token week each, there-by allowing evil propoganda, foul lies, false declarations and other equally desirable phenomena to flourish as a prelude to the new campaign season of 968. This anonymous suggestion would give mad King Eric plenty of scope for the usual appalling trickery.

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MACEDONIAN LIBERATION

Macedon's Liberation is at hand - an attack from the East will soon send the Empire back to their hovels.

\*\*\*\*\* THIS WEEK'S JOKE \*\*\*\*\*

Herp's invasion of the Seleucidite Kingdom.

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SLAVE REVOLT

Slaves in Macedon have thrown away their chains in several large Cities, and are on the rampage. It is reported that the new and largely untrained army under "Athenicus" (and "Thebicus" his trusty disciple) have hired boats, and are travelling up and down the river Mace, exciting enthusiasm in the slaves of the Dark Empire's latest province. Enthusiasm however is not unreserved in some areas, where retribution is feared so much from the Empire armies, that local Militia Bands are fighting AGAINST the slaves! - More on this story when more news is known.

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BALDRIX THE HERO

The Belt have another hero on their hands. Baldrix of Garth bravely defeated the fifth army in a row that the Empire has launched at him. Three Cohorts, a Cavalry Brigade, and Auxiliaries were surrounded by the Garth horsemen, and systematically cut down in the Misty Marshes of Flats (F1). Only Batavious Belt Crusher (the only Empire General NOT named after a terrible disease) escaped with his cronies.

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WE NOW KNOW THE EMPIRE IS FULL  
OF SHIT.

Anon.

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GUTROT III MISSING

This noted General, along with his Druid entourage has disappeared without trace during the rains of this week. He was last heard of on scouting duty along the border between the Empire and the Occult.....

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KING OF KINGS ANNOUNCES THE SUCCESSFUL EJECTION OF SELEUCIDITES

Darios the Serpian, at the head of a large and frightening army, viciously dispatched the slow, old fashioned and under-disciplined army of MAD KING ERIC on the road between Serpia (CC16) and Media last Wednesday afternoon. King Eric himself was said to have fled, along with his Companion Cavalry, and other Line Cavalry as soon as the Serpians deployed, leaving his wretched Infantry and Elephants to the mercy of Darios, and his men, (out numbered by Eric 2-1!).

# THE AYATOLLAH STRIKES BACK



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## Opening Institution from 'Im Upstairs.

A huge welcome to the Dominion Ruler for his enlightened imaginative, entertaining, and suitably injurious offering. Let there be many more - and soon. (For all those who are in the know it is official that the "Vauxhall Victor" that we all know and love, is to be scrapped this week!)

New and updated rules are out. Please note amendments from original set. Have I omitted anything obvious?

\*\*\*\*\*Warning to all\*\*\*\*\*

December, and then the rest of Winter is upon us: a Dice will be rolled for all units, who (in Gods judgment- a vast and terrible thing) are not properly Garrisoned by the end of the year. Also note, that the seas will become more treacherous during the "Winter" - including December, January and February.

## Anonymous Charioteer Wins Race.

In an exciting chariot race on the occasion of the 19th Birthday of Sophia of Indianus, a fully armoured and completely anonymous charioteer from the Seleucidite Kingdom won a death defying race, in which the Athenian's entrant, MARCUS DARKUS came second, and FRED KOTT (The infamous beer quaffing party goer) came a respectable third. Could the masked wonder be BEN-HERNIA, back again after his troublesome experiences of last Christmas, when we all lost our bets to Fred Kott!

## Brave Aetolian Hoplites.

In the true traditions of the best Greek Mercenaries, a battalion of Aetolians in the service of the Dark Empire, fought to the last man at Pella (U13) against an Indianus Army of enormous proportions. The remarkable Hoplites, with the assistance of a few rough and ready towns-folk, dispatched all told: 16 "Reg A"

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Maiden Guard, 24 close formation archers additionally armed with huge two handed swords, ANOTHER unit of Medium Infantry, AND - (and this IS THE BIG ONE)- Three "Irreg B" four-horse heavy Chariots, each with an enormous crew of six wogs - included amongst them - the Commander-in-Chief of the Indianus Southern Methuselahn Expeditionary Force. The price for Athenian Mercenaries now, (set by Invidious Poliorcates himself) must surely shoot through the roof.....??????

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#### Fleet Sunk.

Another disaster struck the Indianus Forces abroad two weeks ago. Reports have now been confirmed, that an entire transport fleet, (capable of carrying over 3000pts worth of Infantry, Cavalry, Elephants and Chariots) has been scuttled, by the deleterious CAPTAIN LUGIO LUKEMIA, (Supreme Commanding Officer: Empire' Fifth Fleet). There are NO reports of any survivors.

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"I am disturbed and troubled" said Belcher Threebuttock the Smell of Boggle's Governor at GRAVES (G2).

He did not say why.

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HAD ERIC SELEUCIDE'S MILITARY REFORMS, (completed this week after hasty reforms the week before), have been completely revised, - and a new reform (of his total military capability of two D class Phalanxes, six Arab slingers, and a camel) will be announced in installments over the next three weeks.

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## A Warning From the Parbeerion Dominion

It has come to the notice of General Heinrich von Farterblaster that the Good Dominion has been set siege to by foreign troops bent on the overthrow of our noble ruler.

While General Fartenblaster has suffered recently from a long debilitating illness, he is now well again, in full control of Parbeerion troops and ready to quash the audacious would-be invasion by a certain obnoxious, jumped-up, putrid, (I hate them, I hate them!), "pink oboe playing" battalion from the said Dark Empire using any measures at his disposal.

Sources have it that the General had a rather nasty attack of ongoing diarrhoea (you would know Herpes, the watery squitter kind that just won't stop) which was brought on by eating stale prunes with sennokot seeds and stewed beans.

The caterers have had their scrotii severely whipped and demoted to scraping mule excrement from chariot wheels. A far worse fate awaits the Dark Empire invaders and any militia of western desent seen on the roads of Parbeeria, or raping and pillaging our farm livestock.

Special waxen tablets bearing the engraven images of a bean and General Fartenblaster are being issued to all Parbeerion forces for identification reasons.

So be warned all ye of imperialistic intent - our illustrious leader is back with a vengeance!!!!

FARTENBLASTER

P.S. This notice does not apply to those foreign peoples in Parbeeria of 'friendly status'.

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\*\*\*\*\* This weeks 'In' joke at Goulays :- \*\*\*\*\*

I think, therefore I am	-	Plato
I'm pink, therefore I'm ham	-	Anon
I wank, therefore I'm Herpe	-	Victor Vauxhulk #

# new lieutenant-general troup's commander at Goulays

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The Parbeerian Dominion would like to extend its friendship to the Belt of Occult and applaud the gallant Baldrick of Garth for his recent resounding victory over the Dark Empire armies.

If the escapee Batavious Bollock Crusher is hiding in our territory, we will return him to you in incy wincy little pieces.

THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK.....!

The Belt of Occult has now but a few short weeks to consider its future. Till now the Emperor has been playing games with the beetle-brained barbarians that have been pestering our northern reaches, but now they must decide for themselves whether they wish to play any part in the running of their country. The Emperor therefore wishes it to be known that they have two options, viz;

- i) Give up now.
- ii) Resist and be destroyed.

Option i) would of course allow them some opportunity to participate in the governing of their people, albeit they would have to pay taxes to the Emperor, but it is assured that option ii) will follow automatically if we do not hear from Boa Big Boobiwoobies by the third week of this month.

GUTROT III

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You will have no doubt learned of the demise of the abovementioned "hero". Before he died, we are pleased to announce that we learned of the Belts troop deployment.

We know where you are, and were coming to get you.....

AND AS FOR YOU PRINCESS SOPHIA...

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The Emperor has had a good laugh at your feeble attempt to rest control of Macedon from the Empire, infact he hasnt laughed so much since his mother in law caught rabies.

Your tactical error has left your troops stranded and surrounded. You have 24 hours to lay down your arms before I instigate a massive slaughter. They have no escape, as their boats have been sunk.

Chortle chortle, ho ho ho.

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BOACONSTRICTIA  
RIDES AGAIN !

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\*\*\*\*\* PARTY INVITATION \*\*\*\*\*

God is very keen for all Methuselahns to come to Oxford to celebrate both the FIRST ANNIVERSARY of the Continent (ie: first week of March 969) and God's birthday (28th June). Can we negotiate a complete turn out of all rulers plus wives and other supporting troops, for (we thought) a fancy dress party (in the Garden) proceeded by a historic punting voyage (And God will punt all nations down the river of life). We are looking at a weekend near the beg of July. R.S.V.P. with ideas/thoughts/refusals(!).

\*\*\*\*\* TWO WEEKS OF ORDERS PLEASE \*\*\*\*\*

The Easter break has meant a missing weekend to issue sit-reps. It is God's will that rulers should send standing orders for two weeks (IV-10-969 AND I-11-969) as soon as possible. This will keep up the Methuselahn momentum, give a temporary but realistic delay to responses, and keep the first week in July near to the Anniversary.

\*\*\*\*\* SHOCKING NEWS \*\*\*\*\*

News is just in that the Serpian's KING OF KINGS has been overthrown in a bloody coup, and badly assassinated ! A SHI'AT extremist group lead by Rashid Al Khazi - a fanatical pagan nomad from Ekbatana - has claimed responsibility, and mad the following statement:

"Darius is Dead. Long Live the KHAZI KHAN. We wish peace with Indianus and the Seleucidite Kingdom; but

DEATH TO HERPES THE GREAT!

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GUTROT FAMILY GUTROT

The large noble family of the Gutrots, (Occult), have recently been badly afflicted by worms. This is a direct punishment from the Heavenly Father for not having sent in the next Shaggy Saga Story for the In-Continent, promised by Boa, but as yet, unpublished.

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PARBEERIAN PREFACE

His Imperial Highness (very 'High' after a damn good farting session) General Heinrich Von Fartenblaster wishes to inform fellow good Methuselahn neighbours that the illustrious ruler of the Parbeerian Dominion should be addressed as spelt above.

In particular, we take offence at reference to a 'Farterblaster' pronunciation by the Dark Empire's Herpes (should be Twerpy).

The Fartenblaster lineage descends from a long succession of distinguished flatulant nomadic pillageing and raping bestial peoples; not to be confused with imitations of a less macho and murderous nature.

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\*\*\*\*\* ATNIENICUS SPEAKS \*\*\*\*\*

Rise up, good people of Macedon, and overthrow your oppressors. I offer you freedom from slavery. Let us be bold and take back our Country from the foreigners who occupy our soil. Strike now while the time is right and ye shall be rewarded. Make haste ... (etc) ... (three hours later): so remember our introductory offer - of the free cuddly toy in exchange for every five dead legionaries - runs out on iv/10/969.

LOCUST PLAGUES

In a totally unexpected and unexplained locust plague, the town of Circumcizia has been devastated and the towns-folk are starving without grain. The plague is now heading for the town of Coastus on the Adriatic Sea. Travellers are advised to treat the whole region as a 'no go' area as the swarms are unpredictable in flight and will attack animal and human life.

GASTRO ENTERITIS GIVES GUTROT THE RUNS.....!

As the Imperial army of the north marches on our intrepid Generals strike fear in the hearts of the villagers in the belt, and palpitations in the stomach of the Occults so called "warbands".

The inability of Boabigbressies to face reality and recognise the Emperors right to dominate Methuselah has brought about the most terrifying destruction of the north-western corner of the continent.

There is no stopping the might of our experienced army commanders, namely Enteritis, Syphillis, Consti-Paitus and of course the newly appointed Govenor of the Belt, GLUTINUS MAXIMUS.

REVOLTING MACEDONIANS.....

The Emperor has announced that their will be a 100 lire reward for any man who brings him the head of the traitor ATHENICUS. Reports that his valour and bravery are second to none are entirely unfounded. Infact the Emperor has learned that he is none other than a spy from the Invading Indianus' Army who, far from wanting to liberate the Macedonian people, have expansionist goals of Methuselahn domination themselves. "I saw him myself," said a Olympian Militia man after the battle at Q10. "I remember he had the most unusual sun tan, but claimed he got it from a recent bargain break package tour. Pakki tour more like , if you ask me. And since when has any Macedonian ordered curry for breakfast, lunch and supper?"

WHEN WILL THOSE SELEUCIDITES WAKE UP???????

What is going on, Mad Eric. When will you wake up to the fact that it is only a matter of time before Princess Sophia's attentions turn to you? Do you not understand their own objective is to rule Methuselah?

What are you waiting for? Strike now while she fights on foreign shores for I know she will be undefended! Why wast time and effort with the serpians when Indianus is yours for the taking?

Signing off for now,

HERPES THE GREAT  
RULER OF THE METHUSELAHN EMPIRE

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PREFACE FROM THE HEAVENLY KINGDOM.

Unfortunately this edition is missing the now much looked forward to front cover. As was declared in the last issue, the Kings of Kings has suffered a serious set-back in the form of his death. It is as a mark of respect that his caricature has not been printed the very week after his demise. The King of Kings is dead. Long live the King of Kings! Khazi-Khan, the new man, may well feature on next week's front cover.

A Merry Christmas to all our readers. (God has received an early Christmas Card from the belt of Occult. I can't understand these pagans!)

WEATHER.

The weather for week IV of October, was:

HEAVY RAIN CAUSING FLOODS IN THE DOMINION,  
INDIANUS AND THE BELT.

MILITARY REFORMS COMPLETE.

Eric Seleucid is proud to announce to an astounded Methuselah, the completion of his crash ten year rearmament program. The communal shield is now ready and will be accompanied at all times by at least two slingers armed with coconut shells to simulate cavalry forces. There will be ABSOLUTELY NO MORE REFORMS.

BLUDHIST BASTARDS TERRORIZE TERTIS.

Recent Seleucid rearmament plans were thrown into disarray for the fourteenth time yesterday as the fanatical religious sect calling themselves "Bludhists" tightened their siege of Tertis. Eric was reported as saying "Shit", possibly more than once, although it could have been "sit". - I did'nt catch it.

KINGDOM BREAKS HEAVENLY PAINTING RECORD SHOCK.

In Yet another Seleucidite bid to out-do world speed records, the Eric Seleucid 25mm figure, (Essex Seleucid range), was completed by Mr Ian McCubbin with only seconds to spare before God had cut, based, painted, sprayed and fought 23 times with a complete 15mm Indian army. How does he do it? (Innaccurately - God - ).

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WHO IS THE KHAZI - KHAN ?



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WHO IS THE KHAZI KHAN?

Many have asked the question "what is happening in Serpia these days?". "What are the true colours of this new Khan?".

ONCE GREAT, IS NOW A POWERFUL YET DORMANT FORCE..... SULKING AND DWELLING IN THE PAST.

This is how Serpia is described in the Rules of Methuselah. But all this is to change. Serpia has (albeit through a fanatical and daring rebel assassin) chosen to remove the old King of Kings and elect Khazi to bring peace and prosperity back to the Great Serpian Empire (Much greater than that OTHER so called Empire, built on expansionism, greed, evil and slavery). The Khazi wishes to announce a new era of tolerance, and, in making peace with his foolhardy invaders, turn to attack the foolishness of the Dark Ones.

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FARTENBLASTER BLOWS HIS OWN TRUMPET!

At last the Parbeerian Dominion have re-captured the City of Red Salami from the evil clutches of the Empire. Also in their path, the brave Cataphracts (under the now famous "Stinka-Bossa") have now liberated other towns. This is a great week for the Dominion.

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ATHENICUS UNCOVERED.....!

Imperial military sources have uncovered the true identity of the "Macedonian" slave leader Athenicus. He is no more than a Selucidite spy sent by the estranged King Eric in a poorly financed and tactically inept attempt at a military coup.

The Emperor feels sure that now the truth is known those slaves taking part in this little extravaganza will return to their towns and lay down their arms, where their Imperial Governors will welcome them with an amnesty. Praise be that the Emperor will spare their lives.

YET ANOTHER BARBARIAN BITES THE DUST

As a direct response to their blatant refusal to accept the Empire's Military supremacy in the north, the Belt of Occult have suffered a series of setbacks culminating in the loss of another general known as Grygewater.

Herpes the great is said to be delighted by the news that his generals now hold the balance of power in the belt and the majority of the Belts villages are under Imperial rule.

Boaconstriictia had been warned (issue II.10.969) and has now been taught a lesson.

!.....SHOCK NEWS ...IMPERIAL AMBASSADOR SLAIN IN SERPIA.....

Reports reaching Mars of the death of the Imperial Ambassador to Serpia during the Muslim uprising led by Rashid al Khazi have greatly troubled the Emperor.

"I am greatly troubled," he said. "I have no alternative but to cut off diplomatic relationships with Serpia and would wish to warn the Khan that we plan to launch a major offensive in the spring if the situation worstens further."

!.....MORE SHOCK NEWS...HERPES CLOSE TO DEATH.....

His Imperial Majesty Herpes the Invincible has added further speculation to claims of his immortality made by his closest (and probably only) ally. News of an aborted attempt on his life has resulted in one man being taken prisoner and several others being killed. Unconfirmed early reports state the would be assassin was really a Selucidite Autograph hunter who lunged at the Emperor with a sharp pencil.

End of news bulletin. The Imperial News Service, MARS.

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MUCH BLOODSHED IN THE  
BELT OF OCCULT!



IS BOA'S END IN SIGHT.....?

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FRED KOTT RIDES AGAIN.

In the Chariot racing held at NHOB (NN9) (Pronounced Ner-Orb for those concerned during the race) Fred Kott had another wild time. During an interview after the race, Sid Syphillis claimed to have been whipped by Fred on the FINAL BEND. It was in fact on the BUM. However, the whipping was not intended for Sid, Kott said, "If he had'nt tried to gate crash our party he would never have got involved in the whipping session!"

BELT MUST BE TIGHTENED.

In a massive battle last week at Graves (G2), the brave Occult army led by Boaconstrictia herself were narrowly defeated by the Empire Scum. The brave Warbands charged the Empire from all directions, but due to the damp in the North the elastic in their underwear was unfortunately rotten, and therefore could not hold under such stressful conditions.

Our commiserations go out to the MEN OF BOA in this time of darkness, and better luck next time.

Orders were received by telephone this week, not for the Belt of Occult, but for the newly named: "WATCH-STRAP OF OCCULT".

BLUDHISTS BEATEN BACK.

Provincial spokesman from Tertis in the Kingdom said yesterday that the revolting fanatics from Lachrymosa had finally been quelled by a combination of violence and severe stomach upsets, caused by the defenders use of PARBEERIAN BEAN IMPORTS, lobbed at the vicious religious loonies.

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INCIDENT AT HIPPOLYTUS.

The Great Invidious Poliercates, the renowned leader of the Athenian League, has been enraged by the rough handling of civil servants on the small Mediterranean Island of Hippolytus (Q25), by a less than welcome Empire Fleet under Luigio Lukemia. The diplomatic problems started, when un-invited, Lukemia's fleet landed on the Island, (of great strategic importance), and demanded supplies.

On reporting back to Athens, the visitors were given all the provisions they required, but at a slightly higher price than is standard, due to the problems of shipping, and the risks incurred during winter months in the "Hippo Straights". Luigio, the Empire Captain flew into a rage (- a demonstration of stinginess unparalleled since King Eric refused the issue of State owned underwear for his total of three regular soldiers). The village was seized by the Empire, causing a diplomatic rift.

Latest reports suggest that the might of the Athenian Military has been launched at the unfortunate Island, and battle is raging.

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#### HERPES ANNOUNCES OFFER OF TRUCE WITH KING ERIC.

The Emperor wishes all nations to recognise that it hereby would like to offer a truce to the cunningly clever and not-as-mad-as-we-thought-he-was King Eric Seleucid, who so brilliantly master minded the "Revolting Athenicus." Herpes, the acclaimed military genius of the age of Methuselah, was reported to be highly amused and delighted that at last the continent appears to have another leader of his stature.

"Truly a leader of great quality," mused the Emperor, nursing a wound from the recent attempt on his life (reported to be only the thirty second assassination attempt this month, the lowest level for some five years.) "King Eric the undisputably sane, as he shall now be known, would clearly make a wonderful ally. I await his response with great eagerness."

#### BOA'S BUNGLERS BURIED AT GRAVES (G2)

It is with great sadness that we have just learned of much bloodshed in the belt. A massive army of barbarians lead by none other than Boaconstrictia herself was met a small Imperial Policing force led by Septimus Syphillis.

Hugely outnumbered the Imperial Cohort slayed ten or more Warbands before the sickeningly brutal Boa ordered her troops to withdraw.

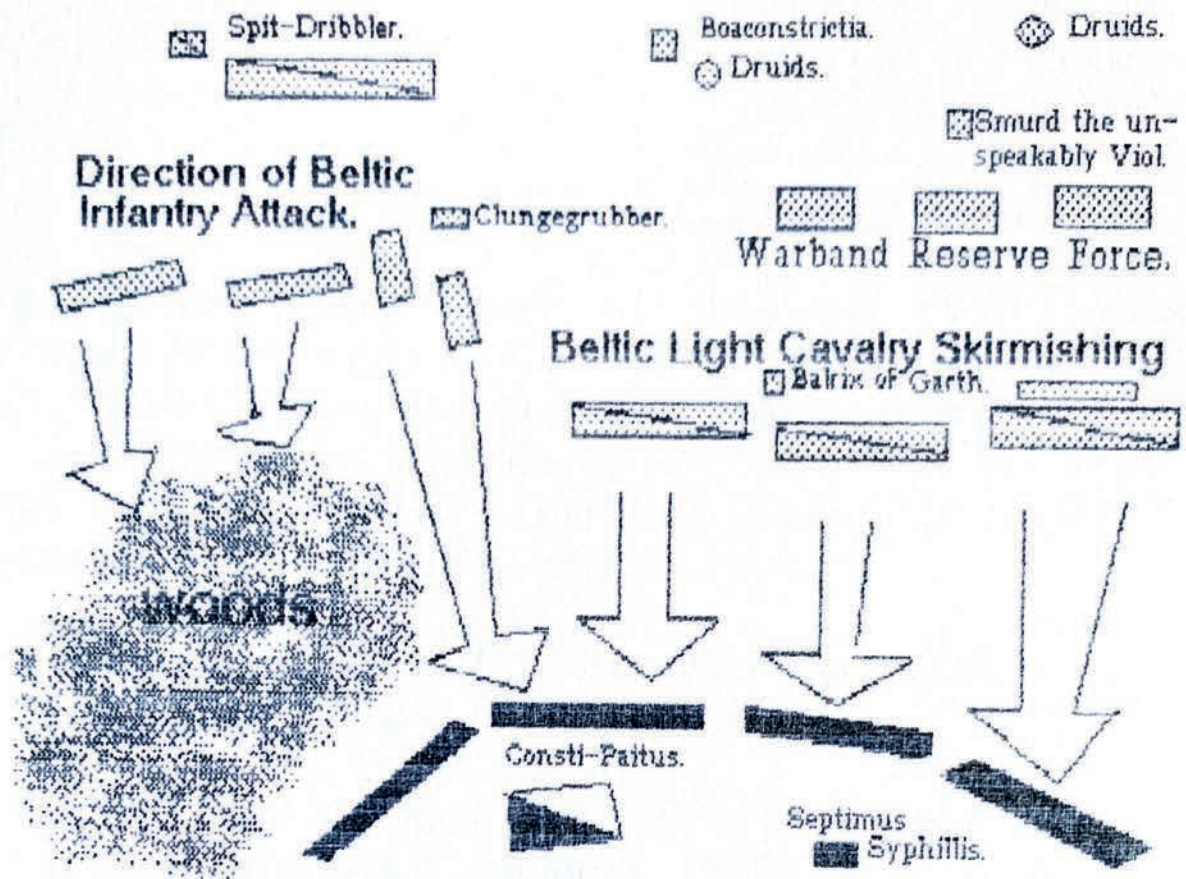
Syphillis, in an interview shortly after the battle ended, was clearly greived at the way one after another of these barbarian slaves queued up to throw themselves at his sword.

"Personally I beleive these belt chappies were given a choice of fighting for their country or joining Boa's Harem. How else could she have recruited such a force?" said Syphillis, brother of the infamous Sid and Sid Syphillis twins, the supreme Imperial champion charioteers.

"In no way does the Empire feel responsible for the massacre, after all they were given ample opportunity to surrender the Belt of Occult to the Emperor," he added.

#### HERPES JUSTIFIES HIS STAND ON ILLICIT MAIL

His Imperial majesty would like to point out that as a direct result of the "bluff and double bluff" strategy of more unfortunate rulers in the land, he will no longer use the internal mail system. A scoop for the Imperial news service, which is now the only voice of the Emperor.



# The Battle of Graves.

Week II of November, 969bc.

By the autumn of 969, the Dark Empire's invasion of The Belf of Occult was in full swing. At map reference (G2) stood Boaconstrietia, with half a dozen warbands, and at least as many light cavalry units.

Consti-Paitus was met first by a hail of javelin and spears, a bombardment that continued for three hours. Septimus Syphillis, with re-inforcements arrived in support at the crucial hour before the Final Furious charges, wave after wave of them, sent in by Boaconstrietia her-self. The Empire held, and eventually defeated the Celtic army, now spent, and demoralized.

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MAD ERIC IS ON THE MARCH...



WILL THE BLUDHISTS TAKE A  
BATTERING ?

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PARTY INVITATION CONTINUED.

Final plans are being made to hold a MANDATORY METHUSELAHN GATHERING on one, all or some of the following dates:

FRIDAY 1st JULY  
SATURDAY 2nd JULY  
SUNDAY 3rd JULY

(The Saturday looks the best bet: starting at lunch time??)

Please check your diaries NOW and reply via orders. Activities will include a garden party at Benson Road in fancy dress - (I feel sorry for Andy - the only ruler doomed to be in "drag".) - throw wet sponges at Herpes competition, - King Eric will be setting up a "Bring and Buy" stall (proceeds to SAVE THE SELEUCIDITES), followed by the usual Chariot racing, Farting Competitions, heavy drinking, etc. A real family occasion!

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KING ERIC SEEKS COUNSELLING.

Following the interesting diplomatic offer from the Emperor Herpes the Great last week, King Eric Seleucid is (fairly) reliably reported to have gathered together a select group of advisors, friends, military commanders and double glazing salesmen to discuss this important move in Methuselah's politics. Reports filtering out from behind the closed doors of the Top Secret discussions suggest that options such as

- Non aligned neutrality
- outright aggression and expansionism
- annexation of the Sudetanland
- Invasion of the Western Watch-strap of Occult
- total surrender

are all under consideration as the strategy for the forthcoming campaigning year.

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BOOM IN RESTAURANT TRADE

There has been a substantial rise in the number of Tandoori Restaurants opening in Macedon. The liberated Macedonians are said to be getting a real taste for this new eating habit.

P.S. Has anybody invented toilet paper yet?

(Revolting - God)

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ATHENICUS SWEEPS TO VICTORY.

In the latest success accorded to the unstoppable rebel Slave Army in Macedon, a cringing collaborationist militia from Hephaestion were dispatched without rebel losses. Almost 60% of the Macedonian land is now said to be freed, and with further reinforcements on their way via Antipater, the Empire looks set to be evicted from the Country before long. Eye - Witnesses report that many hundreds of elite Gladiators appear to be carrying huge Teddy- Bears around with them, due to some kind of incentive scheme set up by the brilliant slave leader Athenicus.

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"THE LAY OF GRAVES"

With apologies to Alfred, Lord Tennyson.

Then the wicked Consti Paitus  
Made a great and evil army  
Far across the land he marched them  
Hard and cruel with whip he drove them  
Though they quavered and their knees knocked  
At the sounds from all about them  
From the dark and gloomy forest-  
Nasty screams and scary cackles  
Shining eyes and un-cleaned teeth  
From the dark woods fiercely gleaming,  
so THIS was the Belt of Occult.

Hard by Graves the Evil Empire,  
Herpe's men, his horses bearing  
Saw a great and mighty army  
Drawn upon the shining hillside,  
Smelt them first before they saw them  
For the wind was coming at them  
(Beans they'd had, the men of Occult)

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One fatigue point, lads, already  
And we haven't even got there,  
Gods! this is an awful place.

Soon the clouds of Beltic riders,  
As the storm clouds in the Summer  
Dark across the hillside moving  
Fell upon the Men of Darkness  
Swirled about them waving wildly  
Chucking things and making faces  
Standing as their horses' barebacks  
Showing bare their Nether Parts.

How they shook, the Empire Soldiers,  
How their teeth and armour rattled,  
How they soiled their nice new tunics  
What a mess they made behind them,  
Soon, the Empire army crumbling  
Soon, the Cohorts backward turning  
Now the battle finely balanced  
Now the time to finish all things  
Drive them from our lands forever.

So the mighty Boaconstrictia,  
In her Chariot, Boobs a-bouncing  
Gave the order for the finish  
Gave the signal to the Warbands  
"Charge and finish once for all!"  
So the lads, their warpaint gleaming  
Helter - Skelter down the hill  
Fell upon the Empire jobsworths  
Cutting off their Private Parts.

But alas like all the good things  
Beltic Joy came to an end,  
For the Empire soldiers' breathing  
(Having had their garlic rations)  
Full in all our soldiers' faces  
Drove them screaming from the fray  
Which lets face it, only shows us  
(Like the players on "The Big Match")  
... Its a funny old game innit?!!  
(Know wot I mean 'Arry!?).

\*\*\*\*\* THE INCONTINENT FOR WEEK I of DECEMBER 969bc. \*\*\*\*\*

WINTER IS UPON US.

Players are now warned that the weather, despite this week's tame beginning, will become progressively worse. Gales this week in certain stretches of water. December must be used wisely to ensure that ALL troops are properly garrisoned. This will apply particularly towards the North, where the weather is usually grim at the best of times!

The METHUSELAHN'S FIRST BIRTHDAY PARTY looks "ON" for Sunday 3rd July. All replies so far have been positive. Alex, Andy and Geoff: CAN YOU COME ON THE 3rd?

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SILENCE IN KINGDOM.

No news was reported in the Kingdom last week.

LEXIDAN BLOODBATH.

Sergius Psoriasis, with 12 Heavy Cavalry, and two "D Class" Cohorts, annihilated the Macedonian Slave's Rebel army last week. The only survivors seem to have been Athenicus himself, Thebecus (a sub-general), and a crowd of "E Class" Peasant light Cavalry. The Militia in the village of Lexidan (N13) fought bravely for the Empire's cause, inflicting the first of several deadly blows to the insurgent enemy. The Rebel leader, now demoralized, must consider carefully his next move. Meanwhile, the Veteran anti Macedonian campaigner Psoriasis has recaptured Phillipia (O14).

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ATHENICUS' LAMENT.

(With no apologies to Sergius Psoriasis).

I wandered lonely with a crowd  
We moved on high O'er vales and hills  
When all at once I saw dark clouds  
A host of Empire Cohorts still:  
Beside the village and the trees,  
My gallant force did knock their knees.

Continuous as the stars that shine  
And twinkle on the Milky Way,  
The Cohorts stretched out in a line  
Along the battlefield that day:  
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,  
But we would lead this merry dance.

The battle hard was fought that day  
And much good blood did stain the ground  
So equal was the violent play  
That both the forces' lines turned round;  
Alas, my slaves should not have mooned,  
For thus the army broke, harpooned.

So now, when in my chariot I ride  
In pensive or in violent mood,  
I think of how I might have tried  
To upgrade slaves who were so nude;  
And than my heart with pleasure puffed  
Thinks on, to when the Empire's STUFFED.

W. Wordsworth.

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HAS THE EMPRESS JOINED  
FORCES TO CLAIM MACEDON  
WILL THE EMPRESS AT LAST  
IMPRESS US ALL.....???

# WHO'S SIDE ARE YOU ON??

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THE EMPEROR CALLS TO ARMS ALL RULERS WISHING TO FORGE AN ALLEGIANCE WITH HIS ALMIGHTY AND EVERPOWERFUL FORCES.

Are you a WINNER?

Do you want to side with a country that...

- 1) Controls the majority of territories in the Eastern Hemisphere (Macedon, Parbeeria, the Belt?)
- 2) Has won more battles, more decisively and more efficiently than any other?
- 3) Is clearly the strongest, most potent evil force in the continent of Methusehah?

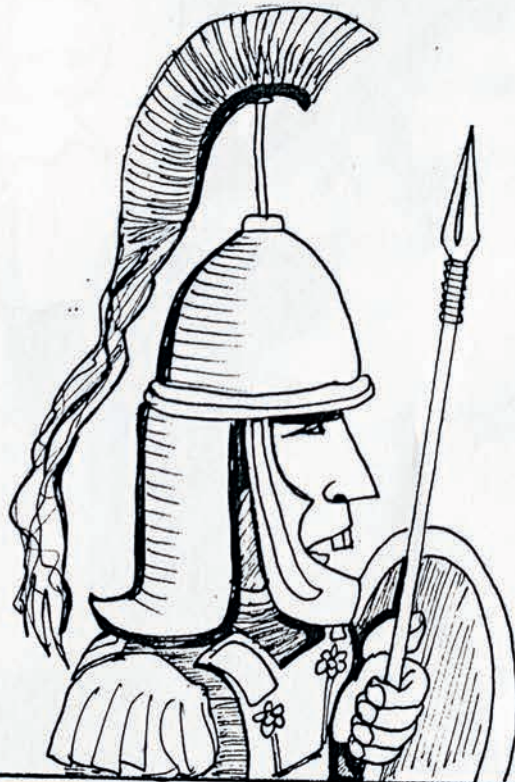
TO JOIN PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION BY NO LATER THAN IV.12.969. EACH APPLICATION RECEIVED BY RETURN OF POST WILL RECEIVE A MYSTERY GIFT!!!

<b>APPLICATION</b> TO JOIN THE DARK EMPIRE
COUNTRY _____ RULER _____
I hereby declare my allegiance to the Empire and do solemnly swear to uphold the law of the Imperium. United in the course of evil we shall do battle with all do-gooders
signed _____

*Handwritten signature*

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WANTED  
DEAD OR ALIVE



ATHENICUS  
REWARD IS OFFERED

\*\*\*\*\* THE INCONTINENT FOR WEEK iv of December 969bc. \*\*\*\*\*

LAST IN-CONTINENT OF THE YEAR.

Congratulations to all on the end of our FIRST Campaigning season. In looking forward to 968, we are all, I am sure, on the tip of the Ice Berg of Innovation, Imagination, and neoteric concepts designed to impress upon our proclivity, an abundance of justifiable, righteous, equitable, and demanding long words from my Thesaurus.

THE EMPRESS SOPHIA is Shocked and she IS saying why!

In the In-Continent of two weeks ago, there was a picture of the Empress or so it was claimed. A place spokesman said he had never seen anything so insulting and that their beloved Empress looks much more like an Elephant than that!

Who does this ponsy-potty-sitting Emperor think he is claiming that he controls a majority of territories in the Eastern Hemisphere! He obviously meant to say territories West of the Adriatic - Big Deal!!!! (No Offence to Boa - I didn't mean to include the Belt in that Statement).

I also happen to know that the "Free Gift" is one of Herpe's old Commodores - so be warned fellow Methuselahns you cannot believe this evil man: He may be the most potent evil (smelling) force in the Continent but he can't rely on bad breath (see occult battle - Nov) for - ever. (It's now known that the Seleucidites are working on a breath freshner as next year's surprise tactic!)

KHAZI SIGNS UP.

It is now to be know to my neighbours that I have decided to sign up for membership of the Empire. We have had nothing but trouble from the Indianus and the Seleucidite Nations. We side with the ever wicked!! Long live the badly afflicted Herpes!

Sighed KHAN OF THE EAST: THE MIGHTY KHAZI.  
(Even if the free gift is a free Khazi, I would'nt mind)