

The Committee

Session/Game: Savage Worlds

Session: #21 - The Committee

Date: 10/29/2017

Campaign Date: October 29th, 1934

Characters:

Captain Hank Freemont (aka Captain Avalanche) - Dave Nelson

Two Blades - Bob LaForge

Professor Elemental - Jason Libert

Harrison Jenkins (aka Corporal Punishment) - Dave Hanley

Stephan Malju (aka Evil Eye) - Marlon Kirton

Judge: Andrew Smith

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Monday October 15th, 1934

Following the City Hall Machine's vicious attack on Team C headquarters, Captain Freemont and the crew vow revenge on the powers that be. They race to Mayor Buckhouse and drag him from bed, demanding that he pay up for his crimes. Buckhouse pleads for mercy, pledging to facilitate a peaceful transition of power to a trusted bureaucrat within the system. However, during his interrogation he gives up an interesting piece of information. The whole system of all the various gangs were all orchestrated by none other than Nathan Kane, leader of the Free Men gang.

The hunt is on. For the next two weeks, Team C shakes up informants and asks questions. The entire underworld of Gotham begins to crack and sooner or later they know that Kane will be revealed.

Monday, October 29th 1934

Team C gets a break the night of the 29th. Information that Mister White, one of the leaders of the All Americans' gang is fleeing the country by airship is revealed. Captain Avalanche and Professor Elemental deploy to stop him from escaping. Evil Eye learns that a Sons of David accountant is travelling with ledgers proving that Kane is the money behind much of the graft behind and jumps on a nearby speedboat in pursuit. Similarly, Harrison Jenkins pursues a midget in a sportscar who works for Kane while Two Blades shuts down an opium warehouse used to fund the Free Men's activities through the Golden Dragons.

The heroes learn that Kane essentially “owns” the lower levels of Blackgate Prison, and they learn the layout of his lair. They make plans to attack the lair using the mole machine.

Captain Avalanche meets a woman Doctor Valiant introduces as Barbara. She claims that she is Freemont’s granddaughter, sent back from the future. She is in her fifties. She is crippled, and sits in a wheelchair. She has an extensive knowledge of Freemont, but nothing so personal that it is overwhelming evidence. She tells Freemont that a master gangster known only as the “Bat Man” has benefitted from a second world war as a profiteer, and murdered his mother and father in cold blood at his butler’s persuasion.

Doctor Valiant calls in Mister Cheavers, and a splash of water from Barbara proves that the leader of the Gotham City Restoration Project is himself an android! Team C is stumped. Doctor Rhombus is missing, and it is impossible to tell the origins of this person.

She tells Freemont that he should slay the Wayne family child immediately to prevent America from being pulled into the next great war and stop the “Bat Man.” Freemont sees this as a signal that this woman is lying, and goes on with Cheaver’s plan. He leaves Barbara Gordon in Doctor Valiant’s prison. She shouts “You’ll die in the next war!” and “Your marriage to Myrtle May Breckenridge is loveless!” as Freemont heroically shuns the wishes of his evil future grand daughter.

The heroes burst into Nathan Kane’s underground lair. It is just them because henchmen won’t fit into the mole machine. Across the room is a gigantic, clunky, noisy, smoky time machine with a door and some porthole windows.

They attack a number of super-henchman in the employ of Nathan Kane. The Preceptor, Ubermann, Klaw, and Mister Karp the fish-monster. A representative of the Golden Dragons is also present, proudly happy to have helped bring the crazy time chamber from the hidden lair of the now inoperable Mister Cheavers.

The heroes nearly immediately mow down the Golden Dragons and the Perceptor. Klaw is locked down by two summoned mokeys. Ubermann manages to shoot his emerald Nazi-ray a few times but is eventually brought down while Mister Karp kicks Evil Eye around for a bit until Harrison Jenkins locks up with him and shuts him down. The fight rages, when none other than Theodore Roosevelt is seen from one of the portholes of the stolen time chamber. The heroes begin to learn that luminaries from across time are arriving in the chamber, called as part of a committee to help deal with abnormalities in the time stream.

Mister B the time-traveling gentleman rapper arrives in his robot walker and shoots the time chamber. It looks to seize up, but continues to chug along. However it is nearly malfunctioning and after this final activation it will never be seen in any time again. The heroes realize that it is imperative that they protect it in order to protect the past and the future from harm. They block

the Mister B-bot from further attacks and then engage it with a water elemental eventually crippling the android and saving the world.

With most of Gotham's gangs broken, and the power behind the temporal anomalies captured Team C is victorious.

Epilog

The Gotham City Restoration Project was created by Bruce Wayne in the early 21st century. With access to advanced analytic devices sent forward in time from the past, Wayne discovered that there was a serious temporal anomaly in the early 1930's Gotham City. If allowed to go unchecked, it would change history, plunging Gotham City into chaos far worse than the normal development. The result would be Gotham becoming the source of national chaos and a mini-civil war in the late 1930's, leading to America not entering the Second World War (apart from minor actions against Japan) and the world developing much differently, with fascist and communist dictatorships completely swallowing the earth.

To counteract this development, Wayne used a time-chamber of unknown origin to assemble a committee of friends of Gotham City from throughout history to consult together and form a plan of action. The mysterious Mr. Cheavers was created as the agent of the committee on site and he and the committee members met regularly in the time chamber to make decisions. Each member never really enters the 1930's, but steps directly from his own time into the extra-temporal time chamber to meet the rest of the committee.

The key goal of the project was for as many of the criminal factions in the city to be humiliated and destroyed as possible. These factions include the 9 major gangs, several cults, and foreign-influenced political groups such as the communists and the Philosophical Ascent to Atlantas.

The committee was comprised of the following members:

Bruce Wayne (a.k.a. Batman): protector of Gotham in early 21st century, he enters the chamber in 2017.

Theodore Roosevelt: ex-president of the United States and friend to Gotham City. He enters the chamber in 1910.

General Phillip Kearny: famous Mexican War and early Civil War cavalry commander. He enters the chamber in 1858.

Aaron Burr, Senior: founder of Princeton University, he enters the chamber in 1750.

