

Creeping Doom of the Immortal

Session/Game: Savage Worlds

Session: #17 - Creeping Doom of the Immortal

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Campaign Date: August 20th, 1934

Characters:

Captain Hank Freemont (aka Captain Avalanche) - Dave Nelson

Friday Jones (aka American Fist) - Bob LaForge

Professor Elemental - Jason Libert

Harrison Jenkins (aka Corporal Punishment) - Dave Hanley

Judge: Andrew Smith

Briefing:

THE PROBLEM: Gotham's gangs have all taken some damage from Team C. Over the past two weeks, Team C has shut down several of the All Americans' front companies and done their best to isolate Building Commissioner Brad LaPen to make sure he doesn't reveal the location of Team C Headquarters. It is now time to put an end to these gangs before they have a chance to regroup.

THE TASK: Identify where the The Cult of the Bound Devil, The City Hall Machine, and the All Americans groups are most vulnerable and strike, neutralizing as many of their leaders and members as possible.

GOAL 1: Pick up some street-level information to learn about the vulnerabilities of these allied gangs such as who their leaders are, where they are located, and the sources of their power

GOAL 2: Neutralize these groups leaders and power centers to try and cripple their operations

NEWS:

- A number of bureaucrats have been fired unceremoniously from the city government in a "purge" to rid the city of corruption.
- The news has picked up some news about young women disappearing in Blanchaven after dark. Although the police insist that they have leads and are "on top of the situation" there have been twelve disappearances over the past fourteen days.
- There was a sizable fire on the docks of Old Gotham. Eyewitness reports describe "masked vigilantes" starting the fire maliciously to "kill the evildoers within." Gotham is now on edge about not only the rampant crime, but the fact that the police can't even seem to stop citizens from donning masks and taking care of crime themselves. Luckily no one was actually hurt in the blaze.

- Team C has already shut down a few All American front companies.

Log

Monday August 20th, 1934

The heroes attend Rufus' retirement ceremony. Mr. Cheavers offers the armorer a certificate of achievement. There is a little party with a catered lunch as well as cake and ice cream. Rufus gives a little speech about how he can't thank Team C enough for what they've been able to do for him and Gotham. He alludes to the fact that he was shocked about what happened to Team B, although he doesn't go into facts. Pierre will now be the armorer, although he "won't like it."

Of course Dr. Valiant is there with his cronies Space Cop and The Roachman to pay their respects. Space Cop discusses how much he misses hot dogs in the future. The Roachman does his best to start a fight with Captain Avalanche, but the soldier won't throw the first punch.

Later that afternoon, the heroes spread out across the city to try and dig up information on the operations of these gangs. Captain Avalanche meets with an honorable police detective. Friday Jones is courting a young woman named Alice who is the sister of the Allerton gangster family in the same restaurant. Both fight off a mob hit from some goons hired by the City Hall Machine who are intent on killing police detective Brent Smallwood. Meanwhile, Harrison Jenkins has already forgotten why he's chasing down some guy outside the city and Professor Elemental's stakeout just got interesting when a bunch of hooded cultists leave the building and come after him. He manages to knock a few cultists out and capture them, but an encounter with a terrifying demonic old one worries him.

Harrison Jenkins knocks out the guy he's chasing. He is reminded that he's chasing an All Americans snitch, which gives him a lead on what the All Americans have planned for the city. The group later poses as a city official loyal to the mayor to kidnap Fred Goetz, the Sanitation commissioner. Goetz confirms that his group is working with the Cult to foment trouble and impose martial law.

American Fist interrogates the captured cultists. He learns that the women were kidnapped and taken to a warehouse in Blanchaven named "Fishy Joes," a front for the Cult of the Bound Devil.

Professor Elemental and Captain Avalanche sneak into the Sanitation commission headquarters to learn more about the City Hall Machine's plans. There, they encounter a dozen maggot-filled corpses. As Professor Elemental investigates, the corpses stir to life and begin to shuffle to attack the two heroes. Another zombified maggot-ninja (previously the body of Asian Stan) attacks the two as they barely escape after setting the zombie ninja on fire.

The heroes learn that the cultists are constructing a “hive” on Arkham island. The heroes arm themselves up, and drive off to take the fight to the cult in the middle of the night. Consulting Tobin’s Spirit Guide, Friday Jones learns that in fact the Cult has a plan for taking over the city with zombified corpses.

They make their way across the river separating Arkham from the rest of Gotham. Snipers take up position on the raised bridge tower overlooking a ridgeline with small homes. On one side of the homes is a marshland, and the powerfully flowing Gotham River is on the other.

The Beast roars forward, coming to an abrupt stop right in front of the address given to the group by the cultists. Meanwhile, the half track crosses the bridge and is stopped by shotgun-wielding cultists as well as a garage full of zombified citizens. In the marshland below, the heroes see the “hives.” Rock cisterns full of biting flies used to create the zombies.

Professor Elemental and Captain Avalanche are attacked by the demonic old one again, but they manage to kill it and catch the leader of the cult - a man who looks very much like Donald Pleasance. The zombies are all destroyed and with the destruction of the hives the threat has passed. The Cult of the Bound Devil is routed, and Gotham is saved from a zombie apocalypse.

