THE STARKPOOL REPORT

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"All the things that people are talking about"

ITEM #1: Frud Gung Captured by Sinxth

3/4

Earl Ronstudd himself was second to scale the assault ladders in his successful capture of the Dwarfish tower of Frud Gung. Stony Curtis, the Dwarf Castellan, surrendered the fortress after the curtain wall was cleared by the Earl. Curtis and the remaining garrison were allowed to depart.

ITEM #2 Ingvar's Feast of Victory

3/10

Ingvar the Mountain, Jarl of Barlburg, held a mighty feast in honor of his voctory over savage monsters in the ruins of Smashing. He particularly honored a squad of berserkers, naming them his Wolf Guard. Despite being mandatory, Red Floki was not at the feast and in fact Black Floki and Magnus were also missing, until all three reappeared on the 21st.

ITEM #3: Diplomatic Meetings

3/12

Father Pious, vassal of the dread Baron Fang, arrived in Castle Lorn to begin diplomatic discussions with Baron Humbert. Soon after this, in Port Sinxth, Earl Ronstudd met with Melchior of Brant for talks as well.

ITEM #4: Wizard Dragged to Hell by Goblins

3/14

The wizard Balthazar of Brant vanished in the dark of the night on March 14. He was doing some sort of unnatural sorcery at the ruins known as the Land of Madness when he vanished. The Brantish bandits serving as his guards say they saw goblin tracks in the woods nearby.

ITEM #5: Conclave of Bishops

3/15

The 5 bishops of the Reach (Trigerio, Enzo, McSmash, Giles and Starbrite) met to settle the complaint of Dorgstyn against Sinxth. The panel was initially deadlocked, but Princess Starbrite suggested a 30-day truce and joint quest to the Holy Tomb to discover the truth. We wait upon Ronstudd's reply.

ITEM #6: Robbery in Port Sinxth

3/16

The Earl's Treasury at Port Sinxth was robbed of 3000gp overnight. There are no witnesses and no clues except some sleeping guards.

ITEM #7: LORN VS. BRANT: Minor Skirmishes 3/16-22

At the Wreck of Fargus (R4) Captain Seraphina of Brant engaged in several skirmishes with Captain Stevens of Lorn in mid-March. Details are sketchy. There have also been reports of both sides fighting against Hobgoblin and Ogre raiders and unidentified human treasure hunters.

ITEM #8: WALKING DEAD!

3/17

Merchants and travelers report that Baron Fang himself has raised skeleton soldiers from the graves of Forgtown by the power of the Slaughter-King.

ITEM #9: Dragon Spotted in the Western Mountains 3/20

The Sword Brothers Company were hired away from the Dwarves after the battle at Frud Gung and sent off to the Western Mountains to examine the cave known as the Underdoom (C4) where Captain Grindness and his men were slaughtered earlier in the month. Inside the cave, they were set upon by a black dragon who killed Captain Collins and the berserker Bashton as well as 2 soldiers. The 4 remaining soldiers and 2 scouts escaped to report what they has seen to Earl Ronstudd.

ITEM #10 Jotto Cuts Loose 3/20

The notorious Council Wizard Jotto of the Guild of Mystic Knowledge in the city blew through an epic pile of Krangor and Black Lotus in one of the most remarkable benders in recent memory.