

Wanderer Games Presents:



## CAMPAIGN TEN

Turn #39

*Industrial Stage Zero: The Medieval Era*  
1295 Anno Domini

Next Turn's Orders Due

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### Announcements

**The New Lords 11:** I am proud to announce that when the 5th Edition Rulebook comes out, I will be restarting Campaign 11. I expect to be starting this game late February to March (but it may be earlier). Eleven will be a "historical" free start game with 100-120 regions that can be started around the world. Turn 0 will be set at 900 AD. If you are interested in starting in Lords 11, let me know in writing and I will put you in the mailing list to get an Introductory Newsletter and a start up form.

**Player Entries in the Rulebook:** As part of the last section of the 5th Edition Rulebook, there will be a Players Notes Section, which is where experienced players offer sage advice and tell war stories to the inexperienced new comer some of the intricacies of playing Lords of the Earth. At this time, articles are being accepted to fill out this section. The following subjects are in need to be discussed (listed by order of importance):

1. Economics
2. Espionage
3. Inter-Player Diplomacy
4. Things Not To Do
5. Winning Wars on Land
6. Religion
7. Being Sly
8. Winning Wars on Sea

Authors of the entries which have been selected to be included in the 5th Edition Rulebook shall be offered *10 free turns* in the campaign of his or her choice. Other subjects not listed above can also be submitted. All entries *must* be submitted by February 11th in the format of an IBM or Macintosh word processor disk. You may also deliver it by eMail to Thomas Harlan at his CompuServe account: 71155.1513 or his Internet address: 71155.1513@COMPUSERVE.COM. If your entry is selected, Thomas may ask you shorten it or rewrite it to fit the available column space. Good Luck!

**Lords 10 Unit Conversion:** Each point of cavalry and infantry (light or heavy) represents 500 fighting men. A merchant or galley point = 10 ships with 100 men aboard. A siege point = 50 catapults each operated by 10 people. A war elephant point = 50 elephants ridden by mahouts. A field fort point = 5 forts manned by 100 men each. A wall point = 500 men manning many ramparts, towers, & walls. The guard unit = a thousand of your empire's toughest, most gnarly warriors.

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Turn Fees: Old World	New World
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11x17 Map Set: \$6.00	11x17 Mapset: \$4.00
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**Warning:** There is a \$5.00 charge to your account for any returned checks.

**Rules Used in Lords 10:** This campaign uses the 1986 4th Edition Rulebook and the 1991 Version II Rules Supplement and Addenda v2.0. Rules unique to 10 are found in the Campaign Ten Supplement 1993. In case of conflicting information the Ten Rules prevail over the others and the Version II prevail over the 4th Edition Rulebook.

**Ordering the Rulebook:** At this time you may order 5th Edition Rulebooks. Send \$10.00 payable to: Thomas Harlan

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The new rules is now projected to be out by early March, 1994.

## AFRICA

### West Africa

**Mercs:** 10mc, 10mi

#### THE AKA'MURRID EMIRATE OF FULANI

Numga Omar, *Emir of the Fulani*

**DIPLOMACY:** none

In court, Numga Omar was not well respected because of his youth. So to prove his manhood by hunting down a notorious gang of bandits in Niani. But the wily rogues made the young emir look like a fool by evading him at every turn. Fortunately one of Numga's greatest hecklers, Hammad Balo died at the end of 1295.

#### THE SUPREMACY OF TOGO

Fork, *The Great Twinkie of Togo*

**DIPLOMACY:** Dogamba(nt), Nieta(fa), Oyo(ea), Kru(nt), Burkina(ea)

In Akan, the youthful king Fork constructed a fortress affectionately called 'Mudhold' because of its walls were made of a clay based substance. He also saw to the expansion of Leopards, a popular resort town, despite the poverty of the Togo people. That feeling of insecurity was augmented when a merchant ship arrived to Accra whose occupants spun tales of wondrous sights in faraway places where people can afford to grow garden plants instead of mere food sustenance.

The growing stature of Forks presence did not deter the schemings of his younger brother especially Uwige (Meavis and Mutthead were a couple of wastrels more interested in destructive folly than actual political power). Fork considered doing away with his unworthy siblings but was too often sick to carry his plan without conflict.

#### THE BANTU KINGS OF KONÇO

Toba, *Queen regent for the young Akashua, King of Ba-Congo*

**DIPLOMACY:** Douala(f), N'gao(f), Namb(e)a

The Kongo chartered a new port city to join the ever expanding list of the mighty Ba towns to seven. But each of the cities were small and could support more people considering the bountiful harvest that the Congo farmers reap. And more farms could be found in the newly cultivated Cuango.

The overworked government got some badly needed relief from the ministers of Justice and Bananas, Mapande and Kwaziae. Everyone thus overlooked the token increases to the King's scribes. The well admired and handsome king, M'baala died of a coughing sickness. He had sired a son after so long named Akashua and the child's mother, Etaba insisted she help the infant learn the ways of a king. But the old crone Toba, a bitter woman not well liked by the warriors, shoved Etaba aside and adopted young Akashua to be raised as her own. This arrangement was supported with zeal by the scribes and scholars; the warriors pledged their support only if Akashua became king as soon as he passed his rite of manhood.

### East Africa

**Mercs:** 10mi, 5mg

#### THE GREAT ZIMBABWE

Five Twin Jackal, *Zimbabwe King*

**DIPLOMACY:** none

At the age of 142, Five Twin Jackal continued to show his robustness and good health despite it all. He looked like an athlete except for his snow white hair. He attributed his good fortune to his strict adherence to Jewish law and customs, plus a seasonal offering of flowers to the Chameleon God, whose ancient powers could ward off death. Another of Five Twin's nominated heirs died and so another descendent, Crane Feller, got the job to become the new heir, as if one is needed anyway.

Sofala's region was increased to 2 GPv as the entire nation, an isolated splendid society, adapted to civilized life. The regions of Shona and Karanga were enslaved by Zimbabwe's large army.

#### THE SAKALAVANS

Gordon Nogapunda, *Little Caesar of Madagascar, The Great Slobbering Tax*

**DIPLOMACY:** Malawi(t), Kimbu(c)

With a broken economy, not enough revenue was raised to support everything. But to Gordon's credit, an outstanding loan was paid off to the

Muslim bankers of Mombassa. The entire military and bureaucracy was dismissed due to lack of funds. And Burrp found himself unable to defend Mogadishu so he abandoned it and 'retired' because he didn't get a paycheck.

Gordon made his way home - and was mobbed by bands of wandering beggars who chanted with a glazed stare, "No pizza, no pizza..." - to see what he can do in the ruined hovels of his capital. He chose the austere life to prove he was sharing the hardship with his people (No pepperoni on his pizza) but he took the gesture too far. No male children have been born of his inactive seed.

### THE PROTECTORATE OF KIKUYU

Burrp Nogcro

DIPLOMACY: Kikuyu(f), Buganda(hm)

Burrp without support from Mopizza became a free agent so he moved to Entebbe, long isolated from the south lands, and made this town his capital. Without complaint, Buganda and Kikuyu became his territories. Perhaps life would be better under the Nogcro Man.

### THE BASOKO

Bujet

DIPLOMACY: none

The demoralized and starving populace was relieved with the return of Maglor and an Ethiopian relief mission. With their help, Mogadishu was restored to Basoko rule. Due to an assassination Jobuti had died early in 1291, and Bujet, his son returned to Pundaport to take his place. The efforts of Gordon caused the revolts of Burundi, Kimbu, Lamu and Mombassa. And desertions in the garrison of Ankolye led to the revolt of this formerly pacified region.

### THE ZAGWE KINGDOM OF AETHIOPIA

Gunar, King of Aethiopia

DIPLOMACY: none

The incredibly progressive society that the kings had helped cultivate plus the mighty wealth advanced the Abyssinian dominion with the mass introduction of Arab and Greek medicine and alchemy. Lion Gunar was very busy directing armies to keep watch north, relieve the starving Basoko and subdue the rebellious Najran.

In January of 1294, General Marinat had crossed the Bab-al-Mandab had captured Aden with no opposition. The following year, his forces engaged 4500 Najrani in their homeland. Marinat had taken 2000 heavy infantry and 6000 light troopers. With his numbers he scored an easy victory and quelled the Muslim uprising. In the south, Maglor found his job easy to perform as he secured Mogadishu for Basoko. He returned to Aseb and sent a courier to the king reporting total success.

The region of Baraka was colonized to 2 GPv as the farmlands allowed for a denser population. Zeila became a cultivated land at long last. A royal road, the first ever to be built by Abyssinia, was constructed to connect Akala in Kassala to the nifty capital Soba in Meroe.

### THE BLACK TOWER EMPIRE OF SINAI

Yuluz al Pain, Exiled Emperor of the Black Tower

DIPLOMACY: none

Early in 1291, Suentius Po was kidnapped and for two years the Black Tower Emirate was thrown into a disarray. Eventually after word got out of Suentius Po's execution in Iest, a brother Yuluz came of age just in time to evacuate the newly armed teenager army into Palestine so as to avoid the overwhelming numbers of the Cirinists. Local authorities tolerated their presence (They could not refuse 33,000 men) and requested advice from the Caliph of Baghdad on how to deal with this pariah nation.

## EUROPE

### Western Europe

Merces: 10mhc, 10mhi, 10mi

### THE CIRINID MATRIARCHY OF IEST

Cirin, Veiled Matriarch of Iest

DIPLOMACY: none

Cirin's secret service was hard at work undermining the passé Black Tower Emirate. Suentius Po V was delivered to Cirin herself as she was loading up her ships with troops and supplies. He refused to denounce his rebellion so, after being branded a heretic, was burnt at the stake (According to the cycle a third party will get angry because Cirin executed Suentius and will invade Iest) at midnight. The veiled matriarch landed 55,000 mixed equipment infantry in Egypt and easily captured Alexandria by storm. A few months later her 'men' defeated a Black Tower army in Misr (A few defected to her side) and Cairo was secured. By the conclusion of 1294, both Sinai and Petra was invaded. Sinai had to be pacified. Faiyum was restored to Iestian rule due to a foray by the Punisher

Roach. The merchant fleets of Alexandria and Petra were boarded and were re-registered in the books of the Matriarchy.

Cirin spend the entire year of 1295 vacationing in Aqaba which proved to be an incentive for the western provinces to rebel. Al Hauts and Granada declared their independence. In Iest, the Roaches wanted Elrod to become the next 'mother', but Cirin wouldn't allow it. She is waiting for a daughter to be born who would be groomed to be a queen.

### THE NORMAN KINGDOM OF SAXONIA

Valens, King of the Saxons and of the Normans, Count of Blois

DIPLOMACY: Ulster(nt), Highlands(nt), Connaught(fa), Munster(nt)

In his Normandy palace, Saxroy Valens oversaw the rapid economic progress of his mighty empire. New land in Armagnac, Castille, Catalonia and Cornwall was opened up for tillage to new tenant farmers.

In London where the Imperial government was organized. Nurses and tutors groomed young Edward to become the next king. The regal youth kept asking where his father was but the courtiers politely told him his king was off fighting a war. It was a hard truth to convey to the boy that Saxon tradition dictates that the king must never stay in the capital.

### THE ALMORAVID EMIRATE OF ANDALUSIA

Walid, Emir as Sevilla

DIPLOMACY: Kazmedina(f)

The Almoravid merchant class got more government contract for ships to trade with the Fulani. The young Emir Walid stayed in Andalusia with his well trained but scattered army and produced many new Walids with his wives. Abjul Mason with faulty information could not find any secret den in Merrakesh. Al Akibar died insisting that the FFF headquarters was in Valencia. There had been no collaborating evidence to support his theory.

### Italy

Merces: 10mhi, 10mi, 5mg

### THE KINGDOM OF LIGURIA

Nero, King of Liguria

DIPLOMACY: Polesine(t), Langhe(ea)

Bruno was recalled from 'Lathium' to pick up 12,500 infantry and Captain Giuseppi to raid the FFF lodge in Provence. Nero continued to outlive people younger than he is. The allied counts of Polesine and Langhe and generals Bruno and Antonio passed on. Claudio proved to be a patient heir but his brothers considered him too weak. In July of 1293, Claudio was poisoned. The more ambitious Tomaso advanced to the coveted number two spot. The citizens in Liguria began to grow restless.

The Genoan Academy of the Sciences has become the most prestigious university in the world because of its recent technological advances in harness design and hydraulics. Scholars who once headed to Greece or the Arab world instead went to Liguria's capital and this became the hub of all European knowledge. In Catana and Peloria there existed a 'Pictish Underground'. Internal strife had destroyed this secret society and there are many bitter gangsters in the streets of Messina.

### THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pius III, Bishop of Rome, Vicar of Christ, Servant of the Servants of God, Supreme Pontiff on the Universal Church

DIPLOMACY: none

As advertised, the Papal See organized the Educational Trust Fund. Matching funds were granted to Catholic Kingdoms with priority to poorer nations for their University investments. Priestly scholars expedited an increase of the Thaeiat, Spoleti, Bakonite and Franken colleges. Silvani Balderosa, the hero of the Bread Tower, made an diplomatic visit to the Saxonian capital in London to pave the way for a future Papal visit. In 1295, he died of consumption. He was honored with a mass at the Vatican Hill.

Citizens of Rome were intrigued that there was a 'picture book store' run by the FFF somewhere in the growing city. An income statement of the Papal treasury was sent to all the Christian monarchs of Europe.

### THE PRINCIPALITY OF SPOLETO

Castro Di Sabini, Prince of Spoleto, Defender of the Faith

DIPLOMACY: Sabini(hm), Chiana(f)

With the help of Castro of Sabini, Prince Angelo won the right to full control of Chiana. But Castro never felt fully paid for all the work he had done for him. So late in 1294, he arrested Angelo and marched on Chiana and overthrew the government. Without much savvy in military affairs Angelo and his son Gosta had no chance. They were executed at the conclusion of 1295. Pisa, Elba and Maremma objected to the coup and rebelled. Everyone pretty much accepted Castro's law.

## THE EXARCHATE OF TARANTUM

Dominic II, *Despot of Taranto*  
DIPLOMACY: none

Dominic II amassed his cash at his capital. In the streets of Tarantum, there was much unemployment. Prince Simon was killed in a duel. A younger brother, Saxonio, became the new heir.

### Eastern Europe

Mercs: 20mc, 10mi

## THE NORDIK KINGDOM OF THAERY

Alek III, *King of the Danes*

DIPLOMACY: Pereaslavi(a), Halland(f), Hordaland(aw)

to add to the ever increasing prosperity to the Hansa merchant houses a new fleet sent to Araby by way of a new city (Poltava) along the river in Pereaslavi to the Serkish outpost of Niksar in Pontus. And on the subject of Pereaslavi, the new city plus the efforts of the hammer of Tor agents made it easy for the Lady Beatrix to sign Pereaslavi into the allied tax rolls.

At home Alek III was a popular king. He died at the age of 52 in favor of his son Gerhard. Gerhard is very much worried about the troops preparedness for war is doing his best to find the most up to date equipment for them. He's also trying to have a kid. But his wife hasn't gotten pregnant yet. Norway became cultivated this turn. The former Jarl of Halland went to Hordaland to patch things up but only gained the ire of the Odin worshippers. They attacked his hated army and wiped them out. The Jarl escaped to Agder and hung up his shield to become a merchant.

## THE KINGDOM OF FRANCA

Ekhart II, *Panarch of Francia*

DIPLOMACY: none

In his final years of dawdling, Horace built a fortress base in Bavaria and called it Earcano. With the demise of Horace, nine year old Ekhart II was crowned. The chamberlain and the minister of good times formed a regency to ensure the utter angst of the Frankenreich. Since everyone is well fed, there is demand for bigger and better cities.

## THE GRAND PRINCIPALITY OF WARSAW

Eisen II, *Grand Prince of Warsaw*

DIPLOMACY: Masuria(ea), Lithuania(a)

The small army of the Warsaw realm was greatly beefed up with well equipped cavaliers. These formed the core of the 'Order of Teutonic Knights' and Prince Boleslav was the 'Prime Teuton'. These troops were needed immediately when word arrived to Warsaw that Opol was destroyed by a horde, disrupting much of Poland's overseas contacts. Trade with Ethiopia, Iest and Liguria was lost. The Teutonic Knights rushed to aid Bakony when the Ümlots crossed the Dnepr River. Zaporozhie repudiated Warsaw when the Muslims overthrew the disoriented Christians there.

Eisen II and Boleslav positioned their forces in Moldavia where the Bakonite army had rested after an ultimately futile attack into Özu. The Ümlots advanced into Atelkuzo and Özu plundering as they went. When the invaders entered Moldavia, Eisen and Boleslav grabbed Emil and his army and withdrew into Galicia. It was better to fight in cultivated and wilderness regions than in a steppe where the horde is king. It was just as well for the thundering mass of human-horse flesh was instant death for any who dared get in their way. King Eisen and Boleslav congratulated each other for being smart but Emil spat down upon them for being cowards.

## THE KINGDOM OF BAKONAI

Emil, *King of the Bakons*

DIPLOMACY: no effect

The 8000 warriors from Özu began their war by raiding Kiev. This proved to be a really nasty move and a disaster for the Bakon Kingdom. Kiev was plundered and the city of Kiev was sacked. The merchant fleets there were captured by the thieving bandits. Kiev was so outraged by this act of sabotage and the lack of proper protection that they revolted. That tenuous trade connection to Thaery, Novgorod, Islam and Parthia were thus shut down. It took over two and a half years for the Bakonite army to respond. When they invaded Özu, the raiders merely retreated onto their captured boats and thumbed their noses at the coughing Emil and his army of 13,500 cavalry and 3000 infantry. But there was an even greater problem coming at them from the East.

Some 280,000 "Lots howling like a herd of enraged behemoths thundered towards Özu and the remainder of the Bakonite dominion. Emil moved his forces to Moldavia and linked up with the Poles. Their king insisted that a stand be made in a cultivated region but not one was near.

Emil coughed up more blood and his grave way suggested that Moldavia is the gateway to the rest of Europe; this was where a fight to the death must be. But then Emil passed out. When he awoke he was in Galicia, it seemed the Ümlots had plundered a path along the coast and had passed south into

Byzantine territory. Moldavia was lost. Goryn bowed to the horde. After much going on and oaths, Emil finally muttered, "Maybe the Byzantines can do a better job than what we didn't do."

## THE PRINCIPALITY OF NOVGOROD

Boris, *Prince of Novgorod*

DIPLOMACY: none

Courland expanded to 4 GPv and Mikhail converted the Orthodox inhabitants there to Catholic. Boris wisely stayed out of the horde fight for his troops are of low quality anyhow. The wooden tower, Aski, was made taller and thicker. The four other sons of Boris wanted a greater part of the affairs of their father like Mikhail and their younger sister, Natasha, just wants to get married and not put up with her boorish siblings.

## THE VOLGA BOLGARS

Hari, *Emir of Great Bolgar*

DIPLOMACY: Murom(fa), Suvar(fa), Rezh(h)

Decadent and lazy, The Bolgar allowed the Ümlots to pass unmolested through their territories. The ransacked regions of Donets and Urkel rebelled. The city of Keeper was smoldering ruins.

When compared to the Ümlots, the Bolgars had one-tenth their size in numbers. Hari suddenly realized that maybe a larger army would be a good thing after all. Al Grak was killed in Rezh.

## THE ÖZU RUSS RAIDERS

Sniva Kor, *Prince of the Özu Russ*

DIPLOMACY: none

When the Ümlots passed on by, Khagan Sniva Kor was faced with a tough choice. Either (a) surrender his entire army to the great KhaKhan and destroy all of Bakony or (b) evade the heathen Ümlots and pray for the best. He chose the latter course after the Ümlot passed by, the Özu recaptured their looted homeland and guarded it against all comers. Sniva Kor and his men practices Slavic Orthodoxy and considers himself the heir of the Kievan Rus.

## ASIA

### The Middle East

Mercs: 10mhc, 10mc, 10mhi, 10mi, 5ms, 5mg

## THE NIKEPHORIAN EMPIRE OF BYZANTION

Nicephorus VIII, *Eastern Roman Emperor, Basileus of Constantinople*

DIPLOMACY: none

Trade in the Empire continued apace despite the storm clouds thrown into the air by the galloping hooves of the Ümlot Horde. There was some time to deal with other problems. Strategios Cicero and Symeon shut down the FFF lodges in Crete and Macedonia. They then reported to Prince Nicephorus the IXth. The Prince commented that Mukhal's Horde had passed the line of death and the Dnepr River. If nothing was done soon, they would be at the gates of Byzantion herself. The Emperor was notified of the imminent threat and he readied the prestigious Nikephorian Equestrian Corp for an inevitable confrontation. This was to occur on a frosty morning on the 17th of February 1295. The Ümlots had chosen to cross the Danube at Galati Ford. They knew the Byzantines were on the other die but with their numbers, they felt invincible. Unfortunately for Emperor Nicephorus, his son was still racing along the Dobruja coast, unable to get to Danube in time for the battle.

The 50,000 heavy cavalry and 50,000 light cavalry conducted the screen and fade tactic upon the 281,000 Ümlots who were struggling to cross the river and dodge all those flaming arrows. But for each Ümlot the Corps wiped out three more would advance. By nightfall, the horde had muscled its way onto the home bank. The 500 galley fleet arrived to the Danube the following day and were content to set all the Ümlot ships on fire. As that was happening, the 213,500 Ümlot and allied tribes attacked the Byzantine force of 51,000 short-sword men and 7500 javelin throwing cavalry. It was hoped that if they Byzantines lines could hold, the Ümlots could be forced into the river where they would drown, be burned or broiled. But the Ümlots broke through and destroyed the entire land force. Bereft of army, Emperor Nicephorus and Prince Nicephorus holed up in Varna along with the navy. The Ümlots looted the countryside and turned their rapacious attention to the seaside city. There was only a minimal amount of defenses but the fifteen foot tall walls was made of solid granite blocks, six feet thick. Oak door adorned Varna's only landward entry. And a shallow moat surrounded the city.

Mukhal figured he could break through. Twice the Ümlots rushed the walls, twice they fell back. On the second assault. The KhaKhan was captured. The Ümlots halted their assaults but made sure their camp was within sight of the city. To taunt their besiegers, the Nikephorians would show their leader in a small cage, stripped naked. They jabbed the KhaKhan with spears and



humiliated him, but Mukhali would not cry out in pain or rage, much to the Emperor's frustration. The Ümlots were angered but not provoked.

### THE ÜMLOT HORDE

Mukhali, *Knakhan of the Endless Steppe*  
Bohorchu, *Altman of the First Saddle Clan*

DIPLOMACY: Donets(nt), Levedia(nt), Zaporozhie(nt), Jinai Tribe(f), Moldavia(nt), Transylvania(nt), Goryn(nt), Kipchak Horde(f)

The Ümlots advanced pretty much unhindered through the Bolgar realm and old Russia. Starting from Cim, they passed through Nogai to Urkel. Urkel was looted; the city of Keeper was assaulted and burned. Donets and Levedia was looted in those regions, the Muslim Jinai tribe was absorbed into the main Ümlot nation. Zaporozhie was attacked, looted. Opol was captured, plundered and destroyed. Two separate assassination attempt on Mukhali failed in Atelkuzo. Atelkuzo was looted with extra vigor. Özu was looted, alienating the Özu raiders. Moldavia also got raped. At Galati Ford, a bunch of Byzantines got in Mukhali's way. They were pushed aside, though the Dofok and Cotturk fighting force were pretty much wiped out when the mud dried up. Mukhali was captured by the cowardly Byzantines hiding in their little city. After some debate, Mukhali's eldest son was blamed for the debacle and was killed in a duel by a cousin Bohorchu. Bohorchu has assumed effective control of the Ümlots and the Scorpion and Whargut allies. It is agreed now that Mukhali will die an honorable death, despite the ignobility of his situation. Bohorchu is now anxious to make the next move.

### THE ALANNI HORDE

Shaytuz Khajan

DIPLOMACY:

From Kuban, Terek and Shirvan, 110,000 Alanni have caught the horde but and are ready to party.

### THE DAR AL ISLAD - ARBILIQ CALIPHATE

Ad Dahabi, *Kalfat Rasul Allah, Commander of the Faithful*

DIPLOMACY: Pontus(f)

With all the extra manpower, the wealth and food available the Caliphate could do well to have more cities and bigger cities. To answer the call in part, Ad Dahabi increased the sizes of Acre and Antioch, and beautified Najaf. The road that will eventually reach Niksar was completed over the primitive Diyarbakir pass (Charlstonon-Edessa). Trade links was made with Thaery, Mahidia and Saxonia. This all made up for the loss of trade with Bakony and Ghuor. The regions of Karbala and Pontus turned cultivated depriving the goat herders of more land.

### THE EMIRATE OF NAJIRAN

Uthman an Najr and Donowa got stepped on far all their gall.

### THE SHAHDOM OF PARTHIA

Arsoces II, *Shah of Parthia, Emir of Merv, Archon of Bactria*

DIPLOMACY: no effect

In the interest of safeguarding the silk road, as little violence upon the area was planned as possible. Thus instead of marching along the road, the army of Pxois and Burlin passed north of its and attacked and liberated Kumis for their side. Rayy fell a year later after a successful passive siege. Pxois forged on to Zagros to defeat the (heh heh) vaunted Zagros army (2000 mixed cavalry and 6500 infantry) with his own (10,000 heavily armored sword-men, 14,000 dagger throwers, 1500 Persian saddle knights, 5000 carpet back riders and 500 ballista). In the battle, both Krawdon - already sick from a rash contracted from a bottle of tainted mineral water - and Gipstul were killed. Isfahan immediately surrendered and the captive government was returned to Merv. All the remaining Isfahan regions gradually were taken over by independent-minded hedge lords. Arsoces II was a rather unspectacular sultan whose generals are stealing the limelight. But his bickersome subjects are at least well fed with huge wheat reserves.

### THE SULTANATE OF ISFAHAN

There was nothing really good going for this break-away state.

### THE GHORID SULTANATE OF AFGHANISTAN

Roland, *Sultan of Afghans*

DIPLOMACY: Kirthar(hs)(h)

To increase the amount of Indian Ocean trade, another port area was built along the coast of Kirthar. An internal fleet was placed there to generate waterfront business. Roland did his best to rule his kingdom but many complained that he was an inefficient, ineffective king. The distant outpost of Akata are often in confusion as to what his name is. But if Roland left his post the northern, mountainous territory would break away. But then something bad happened...

Roland's best general, Kachnar attacked an already friendly Kirthar and began a military conversion. No one liked this at all and some local chiefs saw this as an attempt of ethnic genocide. If a friendly region is attacked which one is next? Kashmir, Pamir, Seistan, Turan, Ushrusana and Baluchistan revolted.

Seistan even turned Shi'a in a show of solidarity with the oppressed Kirthar. But Kachnar's army after fighting two battles against the Kirthar were chewed up. He withdrew to Sind to safeguard the region. This whole incident served to isolate Akata and Antizani, increase hostility between Sunni and Shi'a and the loss of much international trade such as with Islam, Almoravid, Ethiopia, Iest and The Byzantine Empire.

### India

Merce: 10mwe, 10mhc, 10mc, 10mi, 5ms

### THE GOLDEN HORDE OF THE ARAIK KHAN

Sumak, *Khan of Khans, Arbiter of Destiny*

DIPLOMACY: Maghada(fa)

The great cities of the Golden Khanate grew even more golden. Patna increased to size six and Delhi matched the beaming metropolis of Kaunaj at level ten.

For unknown reasons, the Barbarian rulers of Kaunaj would rather have pacified regions than tributaries. So great Gurkha Ghan with only 30,000 cavalry attacked Vatsa and smashed the local resistance. Vatsa's fortress, Gwalior, was then assailed subsequently and reduced. In a similar (but less severe) exodus, tributaries in the Khanate got cold feet and rebelled. Ajmere, Bihar, Himachal, Jhelum, Malwa and Sukkur became neutral Rajput states. One who stayed loyal paid dearly for it: Chitor. Chitor was also attacked and after a spirited defense was also pacified. These actions also served to hinder diplomacy in Maghada.

### THE CHALUKYA MANDALAM

Dantidurga, *The Great Muta and Chip-Chip, his pet monkey*

DIPLOMACY: Karnata(ea), Ganges(c), Dahala(f), Surashtra(a), Chela(f)

Living in the legacy of Pulakesin III was no bowl of flower buds. One thing Pulakesin kept was a large court of family members and hangers on. Dantidurga hates crowds so he let go many of these leeches. Dantidurga's fat uncle Uland was given a nice castle in Kakatiya. His daughters Chis and Inawal were married off to important rajahs in the realm. While on his 2nd Deccan tour, Dantidurga found a hot wife for his newly of age son Dharmapala. Dharmapala went to work and got a daughter in 1295. More brats to come in the future, I'm sure.

As my red pen swore cuss oaths to kill a certain typewriter color ink spool, the self-styled mariner Candragupta went on a voyage. Some fifteen years ago, Dantidurga ordered a salami and olive pizza from the Sakalavans. So Candragupta sailed over to East Africa in search of an overdue delivery boy (and a petrified pizza too). He went up and down the Sakalava Coast and sighted many burnt out hulks of pizza shops with rubble in evidence everywhere. Finally after much adventure, he found a skeleton near Mopizza with a broken spear through it. In the skeleton's hand was a ripped open bag and frayed box. It seems that vultures had gotten to the Great Muta's order only ten yards from the pizza hut. Just as well, thought Candragupta, I will seek Mopizza elsewhere.

And now for all you simian subscribers, I now recount Chip-Chip's activities in his own words: "Ee-ee, ah, oook, Scik, AAA, AAA, AAA, ook-ooky, a, ya ee, brak, oo, scat, eeky, EEK, ook, ook, oooooook! aaa? huwauagh, huwauagh, baaak, huh, aaaa, eek-ook. OOOK! OOOOK! Bungi Cord. Eeky ook aa eekyaky, ook. Hewah, ook ooky ooky ooky boo."

### THE RASTRAKUTA EMPIRE

Chanda, *Emperor of Manyakheta*

DIPLOMACY: Pundra(ea), Orissa(a), Kamarupa(a)

Chanda ordered Konorak be expanded so that Java merchants could have more room to flop around in. The trade with Java proved to be beneficial anyhow. Chanda raised more ceremonial soldiers to join the small and poorly equipped army. But the Rasttrakuta are reputed to have the best sports jackets in all the land. Semi-precious stones are used in the armored fabric of each Rasttrakuta soldier which is a distraction against the enemy.

### THE JADE KINGDOM OF TIBET

Opihou, *King of Lhasa*

DIPLOMACY: none

The Lama declared himself a warlord and started practicing the Black Cult's tantric rituals. No one seemed to care; there wasn't enough oxygen in the high altitude air anyway. The war elephants have eaten all the grass in front of the Tsing Temple.

### South-East Asia

Merce: 5mwe, 5mc, 10mhi, 20mi, 5mg

### THE KINGDOM OF PAGAN

Namrangsam, *King of Pagan, Maharaja Myanmar*

DIPLOMACY: none

In the highly militarized Pagan kingdom, there was little action. Namrangsam pursued his hobbies of human skull collecting and raising cobras. His brother Dormat tried to murder another brother Angmat but failed. Angmat turned right

around and threw Dormat off a high pagoda window. The co-conspirator Cansurang also got his.

## THE AQUARIUM OF JAVA

Codimsutra, *King of the Spice Islands*

DIPLOMACY: Siberut(nt), Nicobar Isles(nt)

Singhasari and Srivijaya grew to incredible limits, nearly matching the capital metropolis, Pajajaran. The traveling 'fish tank' show took the Ichthyics to the remaining islands on the far side of Sumatra: Siberut and the Nicobar Islands. The Hindi explorers coming back from the neutral city of Kupang in Timor reports that in the past Kali cultists traded exotic plants and peits for spices. It was postulated that they live in a massive land southeast of Timor. Another explorer hacked his way through the jungles of Borneo and Malaysia but was disappointed because he found none of the jungle products he was looking for.

## China

Merca: 5mehc, 5mec, 10mehi, 10mei, 5mreg

## THE DAI VIET GUO

Pang Hiep, *Wang Dai Viet*

DIPLOMACY: Yunnan(fa), Hainan(t)

After much haggling and stalled negotiations, the long sought after deal was completed. Taiwan was realized to Chekiang's control in exchange for a merchant fleet and 10,000 silver taels. The Bei Nan Viet Road was curved back to the coast from Angkor in Khemer to Saigon in Phan Rang. The North Court Duke Van Thieu, went on an odyssey. He found and fought two-headed demons, a tribe of brain eaters, a giant neon squid, a swarm of flying clams and Barney the Dinosaur. He returned home to the North Court (and his wife who had cheated on him while he was out) and told his king the exciting adventure he had. Pang Gongse laughed so hard at this wondrous tale he fell off his platform and died. A more somber Pang Hiep took over the responsibilities of the office. He bought a wife from the Yunnan and fathered his first child in 1293.

## THE HIDDEN DRAGON OF CHEKIANG

Quan Ciwou, *Celestial King of Chekiang*

DIPLOMACY: Taiwan(f), Lichou(a), Luzon(nt)

The Emperor had no confidence in Prince Lenmuai's abilities who had unwillingly allowed himself to be manipulated by the eunuchs and his wife's family. He willingly resigned at his father's request and was silently ported off to an estate in Hengshan. No one outside the Forbidden City knew of this change thanks to the discreet activities of the official Vagabonds.

Minister Tao Zhing oversaw the smooth transfer of Taiwan to Chinese hands. The Taiwanese people themselves made the job too easy. This, despite the fact that Taipei was sacked by the marauding Bulibajah. The imperial road network expanded these past five years. The Yangtse Highway was extended from Chianging in Hupei through Chinghu (north of the river), climbing up into the Szechwan plateau into Kweidu. The Duke of Tangchou, Tao Chou, was given personal control of the Imperial Fleet against the council of Yi Haifeng who warned the ally would only glom onto the ships and not let them go. Ki Buang, the Grandson of Ki Niang became the new magistrate of Hong Kong.

## THE ORIOT KHANATE

Quangxung, *Khan of the Oriot*

DIPLOMACY: Tsingfeng(f), Bao Ding(ea), Shangtung(ea), Liaotung(t), Yen(a), Shentung(a), Tsainan(fa)

The youthful king, Quangxung, found his job bigger than he was but he didn't want any help. He chose to spend more time with his wife and concubines rather than preside over the daily affairs of state. But he did get an heir for his efforts: tow boys and a girl. The prince of Tsingfeng long in the service of the Oriot Monarchs was given the hand of Princess Gu, sister of the Khan. The family retired to its ancestral estate with the death of their head in 1295.

## THE BULIBAJAH

Bopsnar, *Pirate Lord of Okinawa*

DIPLOMACY: none

The Bulibajah made a nuisance of themselves under the new leadership of Bopsnar the Wild. 480 catamaran warships raided Taiwan and sacked Taipei. They returned back to Okinawa to pound their drums.

## The Pacific Rim

Merca: 10mhi, 10mi, 10mg

## THE AMAGO SHOGUNATE

Tenno Kawatugo, *80th Emperor of Nihon, Child of Amaterasu*

Amago Michigiku, *Boss of Shimane, Shogun of Japan*

DIPLOMACY: Shikoku(t), Mutsu(t), Toyama(c)

Shogun Michigiku hoarded all his money and spent very little of it for grandiose projects. This drew some covetous attention. Many thieves were

caught trying to steal some of the Shogun's treasure. The most spectacular attempt was made by a black-skinned barbarian who actually got in the vault when the guards caught up with him. The ebon man fought with spear and dagger but was no match to the samurai armed with razor edged katanas. A golden six pointed star (much like a shruiken) was found hung around the dead man's neck.

Emperor Ittonaga died of old age in 1295. He was succeeded by a son, Kawatugo. A plague spread throughout most of Japan and killed many leaders in Yonago.

## THE EMPIRE OF THE STORM

Singing Cove, *Storm King, Emperor of the Middle Kingdom*

DIPLOMACY: none

Singing Cove and his younger brother Sunlight on the Moon spend much quality time with their wives producing an abundance of children. They were kept in the confines of the Imperial Facility for Nargun City is so large that one can get easily lost in it.

The priests of the Empire had much power in the realm and finally managed to get one of their own, Starfish Wanderer onto the administrative team. Starfish had made a name for himself finding taboo places where Gods and Demons won't allow profane humans in. Secretly the priesthood wanted him out of the business for he was about to 'discover' that all the unpopulated islands were off-limits to humans.

## THE AKETTA IMPERIUM

Kagagor, *Sorcerer-King of the Aketta*

DIPLOMACY: Pechua(nt), Toowomba(nt), Taree(a)

Rangora perished at the age of 57. His successor Kagagor proved to be a strong Emperor who seemed capable of dealing with the Akettu horsemen on the frontier zones. The citizens are anxious; they want to be mobilized.

## The NEW WORLD

### The Grand Massif

Merca: 10mi

### MERCAIN

Malcolm

DIPLOMACY: no effect

The death of Angus in 1295 led to some serious dynastic trouble. Some time ago, Donalbain, Angus' eldest son who was a good general and a great diplomat was denied succession so that Angus' brother Malcolm could take over. There were many who believed that Donalbain was screwed out of his rightful job and they spoke up with hand knives and arrows when Malcolm tried to crown himself.

MacDuff and the Marshall of Wyandot attempted to overthrow Malcolm and elevate Donalbain. They failed to do so because Malcolm had control of the home guard. Malcolm's heavy infantry and 13,000 bonny braves then clashed with Wyandot's 6500 brigands and won. Through use of force and persuasion, the Donalbainites were rooted out and were vanquished. In the countryside, the succession disruption allowed Mohawk and Poctumtuc to repudiate their tribute.

### THE CHOWAN CONFEDERACY

Tekonka, *Chief of Chowan*

DIPLOMACY: none

Massapegua was the last of his line so he chose a friend of his, Tekonka, to rule in his stead in the event of death. Tekonka inherits a restless army who want to take back Mohawk.

### THE HOPEWELL CULTURE

Blackcat

DIPLOMACY: none

Surprisingly, the Hopewell was not attacked. Blackcat expanded the army and public works projects in Erie.

### WYOMING

Lake Hawk

DIPLOMACY: Kickapoo(ea), Croix(f)

The Lake Hawk was a popular chief who has united the Shoshoni speaking immigrants with the Ojibway natives. There had been a severe winter which killed many.

**ATAKAPA**

Elisamin

DIPLOMACY: Caddo(ea), Michigamea(t), Chatot(f), Tunica(f)

Elisamin went to Caddo and smoothed things out with the Simplex folk. It turns out that only the force of Elisamin's personality is keeping the whole empire together. It was a sad day when Elisamin's son Greg died without producing any offspring of his own. He was only 23.

**The Rocky Sierra Cordillera**

Merco: 15mi

**MANITOWISH**

Roll Rock

DIPLOMACY: Kwakiutl(a)

The Mani economy continued to flourish. So Roll Rock was induced to lower the amount of cowry shells confiscated by his thugs. The bountiful harvests put demand on all the many cites in Mani to expand.

**THE ASSOCIATION OF ACORN GROWERS OF NAPA**

Frisco

DIPLOMACY: Klamath(ea)

The 2000 men that were distracted by the cornucopia of elderberries returned to duty but had to wear purple smudges on their faces for the next four years. Nihlekt and Esalon expanded in population marks.

**THE POPOCELOTL KINGDOM**

Lecuti II

DIPLOMACY: Culiacan(fa)

Lecuti spent some of the Smoke Jaguar treasure to make improvements in Choco. The rest was saved for a dry day.

**OAXACA**

Nauhyotzin, whose military is tied up in garrisons

DIPLOMACY: Popoluca(fa)

Nine-Nuts was granted Popoluca as his own feudal fief, so he chose not to visit Achi and entertain the speaking-in-tongues chief there.

**PANAMA**

Mendzi

DIPLOMACY: Nicarao(a), Tahwakha(hs), Lenca(hs)

Mendzi found the Boruca hard to deal with and had to stay the whole five years there in search of some agreement. Side Chief Zlak was better inclined to deal with the Nicarao. He complemented the beauty of Lake Nicaragua. He pulled the right string. Nicarao became allied. Tahwakha and Lenca are no fans of the Panama state.

**South America**

Merco: 15mi

**PARAIBA**

Ulanqu

DIPLOMACY: Shoco(ea)

Paraiba's wealth was legend in a land accustomed to poverty. Gasal was so envied that he was overthrown by his lieutenant Ulanqu.

**TUPINAMBA**

Bunny Face

DIPLOMACY: none

The unlikely war hero, Bunny Face, was amazed at his own luck. He spend the next few years figuring out how to properly administer all the new territory won in battle. Pinknose raided Guayaki but came home empty pawed.

**PARANA**

In a final council, Ruz, Gninath and the Heta agreed to dissolve the bankrupt Parana state and spare the children of any more conflict.

**THE INCA EMPIRE OF NEW ATAURA**

Gasco

DIPLOMACY: none

The restless citizenry were put to work in the streets of Pachacamac. Tivanaku and City. Chanchan and Yauca were also improved.

**MAPUCHE**

Gutlod II

DIPLOMACY: Diaguita(a), Uyuni(t)

Tupengato was colonized to (1/10). Distant lands were diplomacized and Gutlod II's messengers were able to reach them. The winters were harsh and many Mapuchi were seen wearing thick coats of Lama hide.

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