# Lords of the Earth

## **CAMPAIGN TWENTY-FOUR**

## **Turn 100**

1470 ~ 1473 Anno Domini

876 ~ 879 in the year of the Hegira

4168 (Fire Dog) - 4171 (Earth Ox)

### Announcements and items of note

**General Stuff:** Please use my Paypal account (<u>stephenbrunt@yahoo.co.uk</u>) for all Lords' 24 payments. If you cannot use this facility then please let me know and I will see what I can do about filtering US funds to my account. I may also stop using the throneworld email address due to the mass of spam I'm getting!

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from now on. I'll update the site with a link to it next week when I get some time. This is important as it helps me process the turn more quickly. THIS IS NOW MANDATORY.

**Non-Payment:** some of you still owe me some cash. Although it may come as surprise that this is not my main source of income, I see it only polite that you pay for the occasionally night out. So, if you're under zero next turn I'll not process you orders.

**Version 6:** Lords 24 uses version 6 of the basic rules

The Map: The map now includes India as well as Europe, Central Asia and Africa. I've greyed out repeated areas on the maps to make my life easier. However, this means some player nations are split across more than one map. I may increase the size of the main map but I'll have to think on this. Tithes and Tribute: I think these are automatically updated by the stats program, so no need to declare them in your orders.

Control of the Papacy and Religious Orders: In Lords 24 we will not always have a player Pope (or Caliph etc for that matter) and the following

rules are used to determine which player faction controls the Pope's actions, Papacy Rules. I've also added some stuff about gaining support from their armies

## How to make your GM happy (PLEASE READ! REALLY!):

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#### **LORDS 24 WEB RESOURCES**

The Lords Twenty-Four homepage is at: <a href="http://lords.throneworld.com/lote24/index.html">http://lords.throneworld.com/lote24/index.html</a>

All of the on-line resources, including order forms, mailing lists and web-sites for Lords of the Earth are summarized on this page: <a href="http://lords.throneworld.com/?page\_id=2">http://lords.throneworld.com/?page\_id=2</a>

You can subscribe to the Lords 24 mailing list by pointing your web-browser at: <a href="http://games.groups.yahoo.com/group/lote24">http://games.groups.yahoo.com/group/lote24</a>

...and following the instructions on that page.

#### **VARIOUS FEES AND LEVIES**

At the moment the turns cost \$5 – please pay up of you owe

We are using the latest v6.3.5 of the basic rule book that can be found here

http://lords.throneworld.com/players/loterule/rules.html

## North America

#### The Atakapa Tribes

(Open Empire) Nytah, Chief of the Atakapa



Katkosh took a young bride from amongst the Comanche and continued to oversee the Atakapa Councils. He was blessed with a son in the autumn of 1473.

#### The Ute

(Open Empire)
Charging Bear, Chief of the Ute



Charging Bear ruled the Ute from their homelands and waited for the return of Ouray with his new wife. Ouray had persuaded the Unita to fully join with the Ute before he returned to his chief to assist him. Ouray had negotiated a bride for Charging bear from amongst the Unita and escorted her back home. Once together, Charging Bear was to father two children, including a son and heir. With no Ute

garrison in Teton the province returned to Sioux control. Kanosh travelled to Cheyenne to ensure that the province was not lost to the Sioux and took command of the substantial garrison there.

## The Huron Confederacy

(Open Empire)
Nanasuwara, Chief of the Hurons



Chief Nanasuwara continued to oversee the affairs of the Huron tribes from Ossossane with his brother Nomino. Nomino was blessed with a daughter in spring of 1472 by his wife Oronoe. Chibougamou travelled to Wyandot to continue the work of the late Neguindah.

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#### The Carib Tribes

(Open Empire)
Talin, Chief of the Carib



Chief Talin released any Carib claims over the lands of Caraca and Cumangoto as he ruled from Carib with the assistance of Maraguay. The Chief was happy to throw himself in to the affairs of the people rather than take a new bride after the death of Queen Anacaona. More settlers arrived in Ciguayo to clear the lands for

farms.

#### The Yokut Tribes

(Open Empire)
Babbling Brook, Chief of the Yokuts



While Babbling Brook ruled in the Yokut Tribes until her daughter came of age, she ensured the prosperity of the people by increasing the trade fleet out of Ohlone and found the city of Otter Creek in the claimed lands of the Yoroks. Great Condor wandered the wilderness of Pomo and discovered several nomadic tribes. In Salinan, Red Fox was unable to get the tribes there to commit to Yokut rule and build on the existing alliance. Brave young West Wind travelled the waters

of Peuget Sound but was unable to provide complete maps their waters.

#### The Chipewan

(Open Empire)
Dlezi, Chief of the Chipewan



After ensuring that the Chipewan people were governed to his liking, Dlezi travelled to Plains Cree to find a husband for his young daughter Tsaretene. Despite many months of exploring, Dlezi could find no sign of the tribes that once lived on the region's plains. Dzen explored north through Mikkwa, Wapiti

and Sukuna before ending these years in the Sarsi lands of Athabasca.

#### The Cree

(Open Empire)

Mahihkan, Chief of the Cree



Chief Mahihkan continued his rule from the city of Mistawasis with his wife Nipisiy by his side. Kahkewistahaw was to continue his mission to persuade the Chippewa to join the Cree nation, gaining some more support from the tribes there. Travelling south throughout the lands of the Fox, Ahtahkakoop was to explore Croix, Fox, Kickapoo and Noquet.

#### The Echota

(Open Empire)
Taloa Sunkeeper, Chief of the Echota



The wild lands of Chatot were finally cleared for farmland while work was started in Creek and Yuchi. Chief Taloa Sunkeeper continued his rule and was further blessed with three further children by Queen Henoa.

#### The Moundbuilders

(Open Empire) Untamek, Chief of the Moundbuilders



Chief Untamek continued to oversee the Moundbuilders lands with the assistance of Bloodmoon. In the lands of the Cherokee, Prince Skythe was to gain more influence for Michigamea while in Sangamon Kater persuaded the tribes of the province to settle and pay homage to Untamek.

#### The Hohokam

(Noble House) Hokolesqua, Chief of the Hohokam



Chief Hokolesqua ruled from Salinan and was blessed with two sons by his wife Queen Aponi. He was assisted during these years by his friend Jacy.

#### La Marteau de Dieu

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order) Geoffrey, Hammer of God



The walls of Himlensport citadel were improved as the city was to benefit from more investment. Grain was shipped to the Orkneymen to help them in times of famine. In Abenaki, missionaries from the Order were able to convert the natives to Christianity. Newly appointed Grandmaster Coenraad travelled to the Order's fortress in Kirkval where he recruited mercenaries for the Order. Brother Fergus sailed to Vinland where before his death in the winter of 1471 he was able to found an Order House. Brother Sean assisted Brother Gustav in raising the House in

Vestrehavn to a Preceptory. Brother Eldred continued his work in Mercia by gaining an alliance with the city of Wymeswold. A House for the Order was also founded in the Iroquois city of Oswego

# South America

#### The Chimu Kingdom of Chanchan

(Open Empire)

Illapa Puma, King of the Chimu



While ruling the Chimu Kingdom, King Illapa Puma was to father not one but two sets of twins by his wife Queen Arauru. The twins were born in successive years after Queen Arauru had already provided Puma with another son. He was to oversee the growth of the cities of Chanchan, Tiwanaku and Machu Picchu. Missionaries from the kingdom were able to

fully convert the lands of the Guayami and the city of Quito. General Yaku Wayna took a force of six thousand men and brutally converted the wild lands of Cuna to the true religion after putting down a small rebellion in the province. Vawtin Acha took his fleet and was to successfully explore both the Sea of Chile and the Mochan Sea, discovering the thriving kingdom of Mapuche to the south. Continuing his work in Moquequa, Viracocha Cucha was able to wring an alliance out of the southern province.

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#### Chichen Itze

(Open Empire)

Korat, Chief of the Chichen Itze



Korat was so distraught at the death of Queen Quoraya that he barely had time to see to the affairs of state. Never popular, the king kept himself to his palace and sent out confusing orders to his courtiers, luckily these were ignored. Princess Loloa was to perish from a fever in 1473 and was quickly joined by her husband, Oponorayus, who suffered the same

fate. Kaloraya and Charaya escorted many settlers to the southern lands of Boruca where the province was cleared for farmland.

#### Zapotec Mitla

(Open Empire)

Monequiltia, Queen of the Zapotecs



In Culhua, Prince Zaachila was joined Chicahua before he was to negotiate a treaty with the Triple Alliance. The Zapotec prince would now oversee the Alliance and allow him to influence their affairs. Queen Monequiltia continued to rule from Mitla and was joined by the hoer, Prince Azcalxochitzin. Meanwhile, General Chicaxoch was left in command of the kingdom's defence alongside General Lynya.

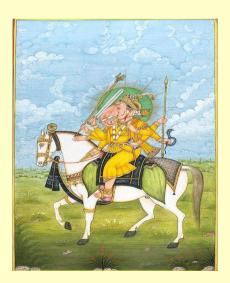
## The Cocijo Priesthood

(Religious Primacy)
High Priest of the Cocijo



The High Priest was successful in founding a Monastery to Cocijo in the lands of the Zapotec.

# India and Central Asia



#### Pratihara Kingdom of Kaunaj

(Hindu Civilised Open Empire) Suresh III, Raja of Kaunaj



The road was extended through the mountains of Tz'uk'an and down to Nanchao to meet the Annamese. More missionaries were active in the west, gaining converts amongst the Muslims of those lands. Suresh was to rule from Kaunaj with the assistance of Savinder and Saurabh. Taking his force into Anhivarta, Suketu was met with confusion as he tried to gain support amongst the Tripuri province. Prince Wagish travelled to Rewa where the Princess Aja was married to the Jihjhoti ally. Rojin garrisoned the province of

Sukkur with two thousand men before moving into Sind to gain control of the Saffarid region. His force of nearly thirty thousand was met by nearly twice that in defenders. The Saffarids had been building up their force for several years and reacted quickly to the invasion. Yet despite their numbers, they were unable to completely destroy the Pratiharans but only force them back to Sukkur. Rojin covered the retreat with his light cavalry and infantry, allowing his remaining cavalry to escape

#### The Karakhanate of Ilig

(Sunni Islam Civilised Open Empire) Bumin Khan, Khan of Ilig



Missionaries from the Kara-khanate continued to gain converts from the lands to the south. The cities of Samarkand, Iskander and Tashkent were to grow in size and new cities were built in Tajik and Kashgar. In Khwarzim, the fortress of Qyzl Qala as built and in Kara Khitai the fortress of Kafir-kala raised. The road was extended down to Kash to connect to the new city of Kashgar built on the old postal road. Grain was once again sent to the Rashidun to help the Caliph. The Khan spent time with his wives

and oversaw the affairs of the Khanate from Kara-khitai. Queen Rawiya was to provide Bumin with two sons during these years. Baydu continued to improve relations with the Khwarzim in Khiva while Mahmud Ibn continued the work in Tabar. Before his death in 1471 Abu al-Qasim was charged with defence of the northern city. The Jungaria horde was to sweep along to the lands of the Chuguchak where they were to gain control of their eastern neighbours.

# South East Asia and the Islands



#### The Kingdom of Thaton

(Buddhist Civilised Open Empire) Sai Pai, King of Thatoni



and Xanorus.

Sai Pai, the king of Thaton, continued his rule from Thaton after augmenting the royal army. Prince Sallat was to help overseeing the kingdom and was blessed with a further three children by Princess Sorona. The kingdom's food supplies were improved by increasing the fishing fleet out of Bangkok. Prince Sarayla took over command of the kingdom's army and patrolled from Thaton before his death in 1470. General Goro Pai took over command of the army with Osorya

#### The Kingdom of Yue Annam

(Buddhist Civilised Open Empire) Mei Wung, Queen of Annam



The cities of Tonkin, Da Nang and Shantou were to grow in size as the Viet language replaced Cantonese in Nanning, Korat and Kienchou. While overseeing the Annamese nation, Nghe Tong suffered from a heart attack in the summer of 1471. His people were not prepared for his sudden death but were happy for Queen Mei Wung to take control until her stepson came of age. Annamese missionaries had little luck in Champa and Vijaya but more influence was gained with the Burning Lotus. Once of King Tong's last acts was to authorise the building of a road over the mountains to connect to the

Kaunaj province of Tz'uk'an. Yen Phan continued the diplomatic mission in Nanchao. He was assisted by Quang Trong until his death in 1473. Ho Phen and Wang Lingsi were also to provide assistance to Phan's efforts. Quan Do took command of the fleet in Tonkin to protect the capital from sea attacks while Prince Nguyen Gap remained in command of the Annamese army in Nanchao province.

# Manchu'ko and Nihon



#### The Minamoto Shogunate

(Shinto Civilised Open Empire) Askikaga, Emperor of the East

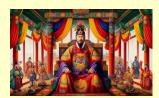


The far lands of Amur and Tigil were further cultivated and improved as more Japanese settlers arrived. Shinto missionaries were active throughout the southern islands, finally converting the city of Nan Patol to the way of the kami. Emperor Askikaga continued his rule from Heian and was blessed with two children by Queen Oimikado. He dispatched Princess Nanba to the Taira Clan in Kumamoto to secure the valuable vassal. Prince Nakayama assisted the Princess in Kumamoto and was joined by Prince Takashi. Takashi was to take an active part in ensuring the Taira acted in Heian's interests. Kil Il-Song of Pusan continued to explore the seas to the west of the Korean peninsula before returning to

Shimonoseki. Admiral Ujiyasu remained in command of the fleet in Harima and General Yutaka ensured the empire's defence from his garrison in Yamato. Kuchiki Sadamoto collected the garrison from Aomori before sailing to Joro in Amur to take over defence of the colony. He was assisted by Tone Takejiro before he took command of Sadamoto's fleet and sailed to Shari.

#### The Goryeo Kingdom

(Buddhist Renaissance Open Empire) Gun Sam Jun Ho, King of Goryeo



Ye Joon was sent ahead of the king to the far lands of Sabah. Despite the Taira clan receiving tribute from the Malay province, Ye Joon was able to gain a claim to build a city for the Goryeons. King Gun Sam Jun Ho had embarked with settlers a substantial army and arrived in Sabah in late 1470. While Ye Joon completed

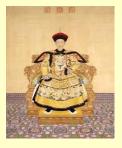
his negotiations, the king oversaw the building of the city of Kudat; the new port was to act as a conduit for Goryeon trade to the west. Another sixty Mungan ships were added to Admiral Ha-Joon's fleet where despite facing fierce storms in the Riouw Sea, he was able to explore the coast all the way to the Bay of Bengal. Eun Tae and In-Su Do were left to oversee the affairs of the Goryeon state.

# The Land under Heaven



## The Kingdom of Chiang'Ning

(Buddhist Civilised Open Empire) Ban He, King of Chiang'Ning



Many of the Chiang cities were to grow in size with resources spent to improve the lives of the citizens. The lands of Om'Chu were converted to Buddhism despite attempts by Kaunaj missionaries. Ban He ruled his growing kingdom with Queen Song Xie. She was to provide him with two young sons during these years. With Dou Ziying spending these years in the city of Pienching, Fa Che was to successfully offer the Chang to become a vassal of Ban He. Kin Bao was to once again offer vast sums of gold to the Song dynasty to join with the Chiang. This time the Song were happy to accept and their lands and those of Ban He's

were to join together.

### The Mongol Khaganate

(Buddhist Nomadic Open Empire) Toghrul Khan, Khan of the Mongold



TDespite the previous conflict between the Mongols and the Northern Tartars, Toghrul Khan took his men over the mountains to Buryat with his generals Arslan and Batu. The Khan was to offer to marry Altantsetseg, the sister of the Tartar clan, and that they join with the Mongols to strengthen their lands. After several years of negotiation, Toghrul was able to get the Tartars to accede to his proposals; greatly

strengthening the Mongol nation.

# Africa



#### The Mwene-Mutapa Empire

(Unkulunkulu Civilized Open Empire) Muthzanga, King of Mapungubwe

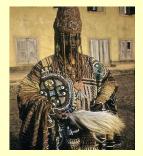


The southern tribal lands of the Lesthoso, Karoo and Xhosa tribes were all converted to the worship of Unkulunkulu through the efforts of Mwene priests. In the north, the lands of the Bassa were also converted. The cities of Lusaka, Tlok and Arkor were to grow in size during these years. The wilderness of the Banhine was cleared and new farms settled in its place. The emperor, Muthzanga, continued his rule from Mapungubwe and

was blessed with a further two children by Queen Uuieaga of Me'Lela. After travelling north to Malawi, Keltanke was able to improve on the alliance with the kingdom after they accepted vassal status to the empire. Hintungal arrived in Banhine as the wilderness was being cleared and was able to gain more support from the province.

#### Usama-Yoruba Onium of Ibo

(African Pagan Civilized Open Empire) Boure III, Oni of Ibo



As the years of plenty continued, the great cities of the Onium were to grow in size. In honour of his father and his father before that, King Obinna took the name Boure III after he travelled home to Ibo to attend the funeral of his father. He was to take command of the Iboan forces garrisoned in Ibo. One of his first acts as king was to augment the nation's trading fleets with several new ships. Ekongolo of Doula was to be married to Princess Aminate, the very act elevating the trusted ally to

the royal family. Prince Numini was to never recover from his incarceration and passed away from a fever in 1470. Before his death he continued to assist Mansa in his diplomatic negotiations with the Takrur. Fatoumata, before his death in 1472, was assisted by the newly arrived Jelani from Nujabi on the Coast of Awlil. They were to help the new king govern the Onium. Nzinga travelled to Mdouba where he was supported by Neneh in negotiations with the city's rulers.

# Eastern Europe



#### The Varangian Rus of Kiev

(Orthodox Civilized Open Empire) Ragnar, King of the Rus



The great wall surrounding the Rus heartlands was finally completed when it was extended along the Goryn border in Pechneg. More gold was sent to the Order of St Vladimir and in the form of expertise to the Romans. King Ragnar continued to rule from Kiev. He was saddened by the death of his

namesake, old Prince Ragnar in 1471 whilst he was checking Kiev for any more signs of the Narodnaya armiya. Princess Brunhilda oversaw the protection of the Rus kingdom from Chernigov after she collected the scattered cavalry garrisons from Pechnograd to Perograd. Beren was also to ensure security of the "lands within the wall" or "Zemli so stenoy" with his force of sappers and infantry. More effort was put into persuading Crimea to join the Varangian lands but to little avail.

#### The Oriental Roman Empire

(Roman Catholic Civilised Open Empire)

Manuel, Emperor of East Rome



The Romans of Constantinople paid little heed to the chattering priests themselves and so struggled to gain any converts in Rhodes or Sevastopol. More ships were built for the fleet under the command of Admiral Andronikos before he continued his patrols in the Aegean. Unfortunately, the Admiral was to fall foul of a fever in 1473 and died in the winter of

that year. Admiral Angelos was to continue to patrol the Mare Negri in case of invasion

from the north. Despite achieving little progress with his diplomatic efforts in Larissa, Peter was able to instruct Prince Adronikos in the art of diplomacy itself.

#### The Order of St Vladimir

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order) Sven, Grandmaster of the Order of St Vladimir



Sven moved to Goryn to defend the Rus lands in case of invasion whilst the Great Wall was completed. He sent Charles to persuade the Orthodox Christians of Galatia to raise a House for the Order in their lands.

#### The Noble House of Byzantium

(Roman Catholic Civilised Mercantile House)

Laodamos, Chairman of the Noble House of Byzantium



Attempts by the Merchant House to increase their status throughout Italy and the lands of the Rus came to nothing. The Chairman of the House, Laodamos, as well as his most trusted lieutenants, where more suited to the counting room than the negotiating table. Only Argos was liked but his attempts to acquire Agents throughout Rome and Latium were thwarted by the number of other sites in those lands. At least Admiral

Aegeus was successful in exploring the Coast of Awlil and down to the Gambian Sea. Agents of the Merchant House were able to prevent the Egyptians from gaining the secrets of Bombard manufacture.

#### The White Cossacks

(Pagan Nomadic Open Empire) Stenka Razin, Hetman of the Cossacks



After ravaging the lands of Saksiny, Hetman Stenka Razin took his men east to Uze and declared those lands part of the Cossack domain. He settled back in Urkel where he oversaw the affairs of the tribes. Pavlo Teteria was to gain some more influence with the Suvar while Vasily Orlov rampaged through Kostroma despite the newly built fortress of Aike. He

was later to join his Hetman in overseeing the Cossack people.

# Arabia and the Middle East



#### The Buwayid Sultanate

(Sunni Islam Civilized Open Empire) Lamman II, Sultan of the Buwayids



It came as no surprise that the cities of the Sultanate were once again to grow in size. The road was completed from Carhae to Edessa, linking in the northern city of ArRuha. Agents of the Sultanate were once again attempting to gain information from the universities of Byzantium and Naples as they tried to catch up with the

Western nations. Lamman II was to oversee more fishing fleets built in the harbours of Kufa and Al'Nausil before ensuring the defence of the Sultanate. Prince Lamman III was left to oversee the Sultanate's affairs and was blessed with a son by his Hastorian wife. Prince Omar remained in the Levant with Inger while Prince Ra-Amur was to travel to the Magyar lands of Bakony where he was to gain some influence with the tribesmen. In Hastor, Fariba Esmail was in command of the northern army along with General Hayat leaving Salah a Din to complete negotiations with the city. The elder statesman was to pass away in 1472 from a fever.

#### Al-Khulafa'ur Rashidun

(Sunni Islam Civilized Primacy)
Salafi al-Bahrain, Caliph of Baghdad



The Caliphate was to increase the size of the city of Ar Ramadi in Circis and Tyria in Lebanon. They also sent resources to cultivate the Palmyran steppe. Vast sums of gold were sent to the Al'Bahri and the Saffarids of Iran. Rashidun Missionaries made many converts amongst the Nubians, the Persians and the Armenians as well as some in the Orkneyjar city of Santander. A church was

established in the Asturian province to extend the Caliph's reach to the north. Salafi al-Bahrain was to begin to rule his wide domain from Baghdad after returning from preaching in Armenia. He was supported in the Caliphate's affairs by al-Ansari. Despite his death in 1471, al-Samad was able to establish a Church in the lands of Kurman. Naazim al-Rahaim was also to perish during these years but was able to gain an alliance with the Lebanese. Despite bringing many gifts, Abdul Qadir could not improve the Monastery in Merv. Urwah al-Zubayr travelled to far Edrosia where he was able to increase the Rashidun influence with the Saffarids. In Armenia, Abdul al-Hasakah assisted in the conversion of the Christians of those lands at the insistence of his ally the Caliph.

#### The Egyptian Empire

(Sunni Islam Civilized Open Empire)

Ahmad III, Emperor of all Egypt



In this time of plenty many of the Egyptian cities were to prosper and grow in size, The walls of the great fortresses were expanded and smaller castles built throughout the empire. Grain, gold and ships were transferred to the Al'Bahri in return for their manpower provided for many of the cities and the road into the desert to El'Gitar. Missionaries were sent throughout

the Empire and gained many converts throughout the lands of the Nile. The Emperor, Ahmad III, ruled from his palace in Alexandria and during these years was blessed with three sons by Queen Aisha. From the deserts of Libya, a vast horde of tribesmen of the Adjou Aba horde descended upon the lands of Ad'Diffah, looting and ravaging the frontier province. Ahmad had devised a plan to gain the design of the Bombard cannon from the House of Byzantium. His agents found the location of the plans and supposedly some of the devices themselves in Byzantium itself. The treacherous Roman who gave them the location lied to the Egyptian agents and also informed the Romans of their attempt. Finding a trap rather than the promised cannon, the Egyptians managed to flee from the city. Admiral Malik set sail from Kurman and successfully explored down the African coast to Cape Delgado. General Al-Nasir protected the southern border at Danakil whilst General Taaraz ensured that the Sharifs did not attack from the south-west. General Al-Sharif was also stationed in the south at Zeila before his death in the winter of 1470. Salil Ayyub continued to

smooth relations with the Danakil elite but Ali Bey had little luck negotiating with the Al'Qadi before his death in 1473.

#### Amir Al-Bahri

(Sunni Moslem Seafaring Religious Order) Khalid ibn al-Walid, Lord of the Sea



Men and resources were once again sent to the Egyptians so that the cities of Al'Qairah and El'Gitar could grow in size. Labourers were also provided to work n the road into the desert from Alexandria to El'Gitar. The fortress in Cyprus was further protected and a massive wall built around the island to protect against invasion. In Carsk, a new age of innovation was

started as several colleges and libraries were built. The long road from slavery was instigated as The Order looked at ways to move towards a more agrarian society. The Order set about building Houses in the Middle east, successfully founding sites in Syria and Faras. In order to catch up with the Christians, the Order sent agent to the universities of The Romans, their merchant lackeys and the Italians. Kakid ibn al Walid, the Grandmaster of the Al'Bahri, was to build several fishing fleets and augment the Order's trading fleets. He then oversaw the affairs of the Order from his fortress in Mansura and instructed that the rutters for the Malabar Sea be sent to his Egyptian allies. With General al'Azwar placed in command of the Order's forces in Cyprus along with Admiral al'Awwam based in Carsk, Fayruz al Daylami and Hasan ibn Ali were sent to Mesopotamia to build Order Houses in the Buwayid homeland and the great city of Baghdad. Mu'adh ibn Jabal was to collect some Carracks from the Egyptians in Alexandria and after delivering them to al Walid, travelled to Damascus where he was able to found another House for the Order.

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# Western Europe and Moslem Spain



#### The Knights of Malta

(Roman Catholic Civilised Religious Order) Frederick, Grandmaster of the Knights of Malta



Heinrich, the Grandmaster of the Knights of Malta, was to pass away in the spring of 1470. The Knights were quick to elect Frederick in his place as the Brother continued his work in increasing the Knights presence in Latium. Some success was achieved in converting the remaining Moslems in the island of Rhodes but no converts were gained in the port of Sevastopol. The Order was able to improve its status in both Salerno and the Roman Empire but met difficulties in gaining more status with the Pope. In Malta, the walls of islands citadel were

improved and several Carracks built in Valletta's dockyards. Brother Fritz was tasked with patrolling the Aegean to assist the Romans in case of invasion. He took command of the fleet from Frederick and the newly commissioned Carracks n Valletta. Brother Bernhard spent several years and resources in attempting to improve on the Oratory in Verona but was to upset the local clergy who raised a mob against him. The Oratory was partially destroyed and downgraded to a mere Preceptory. Brother Werner was to steady the Knights affairs in Malta after the death of Heinrich. In the Knights holdings in Spain, the Orkney mercenaries were paid and enlisted into the Order's forces

#### The Kingdom of Germany

(Roman Catholic Civilized Open Empire) Hans, King of the Germans



The road was extended north, over the Alps, from Cavalleri to Zurich. Missionaries continued to stem the Moslem tide in Sardinia and Corsica. King Hans ruled from Saxony with his Polish wife. His young bride was able to provide him with a twin boy and girl after her arrival from Poland. It was Wulford who escorted the new Queen home from Poland after taking the long journey from Cavalleri in Savoy. New to his crown,

King Hans was assisted by Heinrich and Ercken in the affairs of state. The defence of kingdom remained in the capable hands of General Gunther base din Provence while in Cannes Admiral Waltraud commanded the German southern fleet, In Poland, Jurgen was to cement the vassalage of the Polish through another marriage to the German kings.

#### The Akramid Caliphate

(Sunni Islam Civilized Open Empire) Tiroman VII, Caliph of the Akramids



The Caliph concentrated his resources in improving some of the smaller cities of the Caliphate and ensuring their mighty walls were replaced. Missionaries were active throughout Asturias, Murcia, Sardinia and the port of Olbia, gaining many converts. Tiroman continued to protect the Caliphate from Seville with the assistance of Prince Luhk of Olbia and Admiral Tarsh. He was to die from a fall in late 1473 but the transition of

power to his son was without incident. He was to purchase several ships to be outfitted for fishing the seas of the Caliphate before his death. Prince Tiroman was blessed with a further two daughters by his Seville wife Princess Ghilinda before his coronation as the new Caliph. A delegation was sent to Olbia in Sardina led by Borus. The delegation was able to help the Caliphate's priests gain many converts in the city.

#### The Kingdom of France

(Roman Catholic Civilized Open Empire) *Percival, King of the French* 



Paris was to grow in size and new parks created around the centre. The southern provinces of Navarre and Gascony were further fortified against attack. From Vermandois, the royal road was extended north and east to Brabant, Flanders and Hainaut. Metz in Champagne was connected west to Nerdone. King Percival was to rule from Paris and took a wife from amongst the Giovannan nobility. Marcelle had levered the marriage into gaining an alliance with the southern city.

However, in Navarre, Piers struggled with the Count of Navarre's bizarre demands and lost ground in French relations with the city. Jeanaut continued to support the King

from Ile de France. In Catalonia, John was able to gain an alliance with the Spanish arm of the St Denis Order after years of French diplomacy. It was left to Guy to protect the southern borders from Valencia with his heavy cavalry.

#### The Principality of Salerno

(Roman Catholic Civilized Open Empire) Socto Durazzo, Duke of Naples



The city of Ljubljana was built in Slovenia and the fortress in Lombardy improved and garrisoned after the Magyar raids. Gold was sent to the Knights of Malta to assist in their expansion into Naple's lands. Missionaries were sent to the gain some converts amongst the lands of Epirus and Slovakia but found little success. Prince Socto continued to rule from Campania and was blessed with two children by Princess

Katerina. General Ludovisi gathered new recruits in Lombardy and set about defending the valuable province in the event of any more Magyar raids. Tomasso Morosini was to travel to Sicily where he aided Marco Ludovisi in gaining more influence amongst the Sicilians. General Mattei took command of the southern army in Campania and marched to the eastern border in Carinthia. His force seemed to deter any further Magyar attacks from occurring during these years.

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# Scandia and the Out Isles



#### Kingdom of Orkeneyjar

(Roman Catholic Seafaring Open Empire) Soren, King of Orkney and the Isles



More sites for Le Marteau were raised in Kristiansand and Land's End but there was no success in building a Preceptory for the Order in Portchester. Far Vinland benefitted from Orkneyjar investment and the port of Berwick was enlarged and new walls built. The dockyards of Kirkval were busy as several Carracks were commissioned for the fleet and the newly built ships protected by marines. Gold and

expertise were transferred to the Rus in Kiev and Le Marteau. King Aethelbert was to rule from Kirkval with Queen Eowyn and was blessed with two healthy sons during these years. Princess Chelsea travelled to Lothian with Gayle and Jolgeir to gain tribute from the province. Prince Svein was to collect the Berwick garrison before docking his fleet in Kirkval. He later assisted Canute in patrolling the English Channel before heading to the harbour in London. Canute was to die from a brawl in the London docks after safety finishing his patrol. Admiral Gunnar was also to perish after he slipped overboard as the northern fleet prepared to leave Kirkval, leaving command to Einar. Alfarin travelled from Wells to Portchester with Hodard of Northumbria and Bishop Hugin. The delegation were able to gain more support from the wealthy city after spending liberally on gifts and bribes.

#### The Ests

(Jumali Skyfather Civilized Open Empire) Braddick IV, King of the Ests



Cossack raids into the province of Kostroma meant that the Jumali Russians of those lands were to flee elsewhere. This was despite the walls of the great fortress of Aike being improved. The Upper Volga was dredged and improved to allow the passage of traders as far as the border of Veposkava and the city of Ivanovo in Yaroslav.

Missionary priests from the Jumali religion were to gain converts in Ventapils and Kur. While King Bardick oversaw the kingdom from Estonia, Saimo spent some time gaining an alliance with the beleaguered Kostomans before moving to Ivanovo.

#### The Kazans

(European Pagan Barbarian Horde) *Igor, Khan if the Kazans* 



Igor of the Kazans was to cement his control over the Khirgiz lands by gaining an alliance with the Khan. The alliance was further improved by the marriage of Igor to Yelena of the Khirgiz.

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