Background for Continuing Adventures in the Imperia

PROJECTED ARTICLES:

* Personality: Sector Admiral Count Marsh

* Breakup of the Solomani Confederation

* Interstellar Power and Influence

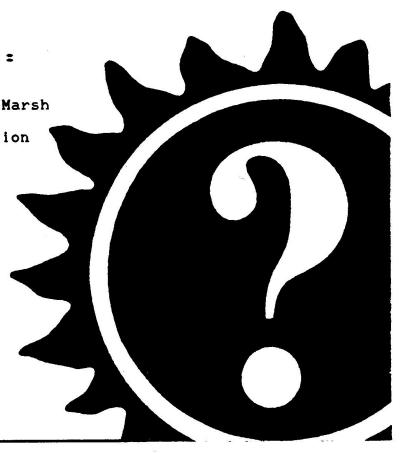
* Comments on the Domain of Deneb

* No "Real" Strephon in Gushemege

* Stable Size of Stellar Empires

* Depots of the Imperia

* Codeword: Wolvesbane



LIBRARY DATA

<u>Tiffany Star</u>: The Imperial Sunburst emblem overlayed with dark fissures. This was used as the insignia of those rallying to the cause of Princess Margaret for its simplicity in altering from the standard Imperial emblem. By 1120, all those allied to her converted to the Flying Grace design, but nonpartisan use of the Tiffany Star continued on throughout the Imperium as warning of the fragmenting empire.

The design was taken from a tiffany glass pendant she frequently wore. The same pendant was recorded as having been worn by Margaret I during her reign, but its origin was traced back to Terra when it was reincorporated into the Imperium in 588. During a widely celebrated winter holiday of that year, several such pendants were circulated as novelty items. A Terran company imported stained glass from many worlds in the Imperium, and hand made them into the design of the Imperial Sunburst, each one unique.

The Tiffany Star is often noted for its remarkable accuracy in depicting the divisions in the Imperium resulting from the Rebellion.



HISTORY OF THE IMPERIUM WORKING GROUP (HIWG)

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Comments From the COURDINATOR

Wither the Imperium? As political, economic, sociological, and psychological forces divide GDW's Imperium into imperia, there is needed some organization to continue the movement set forth by the MEGATRAVELLER foundation. In 132-1116 we mark the passing of the greatest Emperor of the Imperium: Strephon; but great forces are at work, first dividing the Imperium, then ???

The History of the Imperium Working Group (HIWG) was formed to fill in the details of the shattered Imperium. GDW gives the broad picture in the forth coming REBELLION SOURCEBOOK; HIWG gives you the details. Or rather, you give HIWG the details. What details of the Imperia have you created? What details are needed? Which can you write about? What are the many forces that divide the Imperium? Who are the people that minister to the division? An endless number of questions can be asked, numerous articles written. HIWG is the group that will do it.

Not only will HIWG discuss details of the current shattering of the Imperium, it will also deal with the future (post-1125) of space in which the Imperium lies. Member discussions will appear in TIFFANY STAR along with other submissions. The articles in TIFFANY STAR may some day become part of a future major update to MEGATRAVELLER.

TIFFANY STAR will shine!

Comments From the EDITOR

HIWG is a Working Group whose basic objective is to flesh out the Imperial future. Postal dialogue is its primary vehicle; the newsletter is secondary. As a new member you are not committed to involvement in the discussions. If you're only interested in the fanzine, that's fine. Perhaps later what you see might move you to pitch in your two cents, and it will be welcome. Degrees of participation range from opinions, to writing up ideas, to developing whole facets of the setting. All are useful.

TIFFANY STAR isn't intended to show much of what's going on behind the scenes of HIWG. Its mission is to serve as a forum, but also as a Traveller fanzine with a specialized focus. Types of things you can expect to see are:

- 1) Essays regarding the setting in general.
- 2) Advice to referees using the Rebellion setting.
- Proposals for HIWG products and objectives.
- 4) Articles destined for CHALLENGE or DIGEST displayed for Working Group feedback and review.

Annual dues are \$12 which is used for administration, postal coordination, and the bi-monthly newletter. Send to Ed Edwards, 1410 E. Boyd, Norman OK 73071. WE DD ACCEPT STAMPS.

Hail Emperor/Empress mike!