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ALL RIVERS POKER TOURNAMENT COMES TO DEADWOOD!

BACK FOR THE SECOND TIME

In the event of the season the 'All Rivers Poker Tournament' is scheduled to arrive in Deadwood in August. As players from across the country make their way to the southernmost frontier of these United States the 'All Rivers Poker Tournament' has made the following announcement.

After petitions raised by several competitors over the risk of travelling so far south carrying large amounts of cash the governing body of the 'All Rivers Poker Tournament' is allowing objects or goods of value equal to or greater than the proposed stake to be used. These goods if not in the form of gold or other precious metals must be authenticated and evaluated before the completion begins.

The town is already preparing for what is anticipated to be an exciting and thrilling weekend. All competitors are advised to arrive in good time for the Friday Night Buy In where stakes will be paid and held until the winner of the tournament is crowned.

Additional boats will be running from Big Bend downriver to Deadwood for the proceeding week and the Pinkerton detective agency will be handling additional security on behalf of the 'All Rivers Poker Tournament' both along the big bend river and within the town of Deadwood.



WASHINGTON SPLIT ON COLONIAL PRESENCE

News from the capitol indicates that both the house and the senate are split on the response to the new colonial settlement growing on the east coast of the un-unified State of Texas. The boundary's and political status of Texas has long been contested with the Mexican Government and after the last major conflict between the United federal forces and Mexican government an uneasy truce dividing the state along the length of the Guadalupe River has held with new settlers from both sides moving into the previously unoccupied land.

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It is said that there are a number groups on both sides of the government that have no stomach for further armed conflict, in light of the recent internal and external wars fought through the southern states and that attention should be moved to expansion in the west. This is supported by a number of industrial leaders who have seen their railroads curbed along the border of the unified western states.

Others in government have been very vocal about the dangers that his new colony represents to the stability of the Southern Government and how a treaty between the European and Mexican gvt. could potentially lead to armed expansion by both to the north into the United States. While these voices are in the minority they are supported by military leaders and political experts who give grave warnings of the history of other nations with colonial neighbours. As many senators and representatives sit on the fence while the issue is debated both sides are looking for evidence to support their position. The federal government has voted to honour the passports of any representative of the C&R travelling though the Unified States. They ask that all government representatives treat them with honour and respect where correct papers are presented.

INDIANS FRIEND OR FOE ?

Rumours of a recent native incursion to the southern state of ARKANSAS targeting southern waggon trails have been dismissed as rumours by the state governor's office.

These acts are being carried out by no more than bandits masquerading as native tribesman. This office reminds those of a hot headed disposition than the penalty for murder OF ANY PERSON is hanging and that the practice of taking scalps is strictly outlawed.

The governor's office has advised citizens to remain within their homes during the hours of dark until these bandits can be identified. Any queries of possible native tribal movements through the southern states should be directed to the office of Indian affairs.

It has been several years since the town of Deadwood was troubled by the native tribes after the establishment of the Indian Nation to the West of Arkansas. The local population is advised to report any suspicious activity to the local sheriff and avoid direct contact with any persons wearing native attire. A delegation from the Indian Nation is expected to assess the current accusations and assist in hunting down the perpetrators.

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PHANTOM SCARECROW MAKER STRIKES DEADWOOD

As the state approaches harvest there are reports of scarecrows appearing in fields and along trails from Red River in Arkansas as far south as Texas and western Mississippi. This phenomenon has been previously observed by this reporter during the period of extreme weather several years ago and hopes that it is not a foreshadowing of another tumultuous harvest season. Local residents are asked to report any mysteries effigies to their local sheriff or government representative.

It is noted by this reporter than upon investigation appearances local to the town of deadwood that the areas surrounding these effigies shown surprisingly virulent growth in fawner and flora. A local farmer when interviewed had the following statement.

"Well yawl I dunt think that right now that that there mysterious scarecrow man aint don't nuffin to me nor mine and demn crops don shooting up for the heavans. I don't don want no body no taking down dem der scarrycrows in my fields."

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CRASH IN BOURBON SALES

The recently imposed legislative measures of the Bottled-in-Bond Act of 56 spearheaded by the new Arkansas Senatorial Committee has started to have an impact on local distilleries throughout the state.

The new legislation aimed at ensuring quality and authenticity of barrel aged distilled liquor by means of a federal tax which provides State guarantees has proved controversial with some of the smaller distilleries. Some four Arkansas whiskey companies have already filed for bankruptcy as consumers flood to cheaper alternatives such as tequila as their drink of choice. Rock Town Whisky and Rye Brewery is the latest casualty with the loss of 20 jobs.

Distillers are believed to be working on a petition to the Senate to find another route of funding for production authentication.

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