

Commander's Annual Report
251 Common Era
Camp Twilight Diamond

General Konos,

The 254th year has seen the camp's first siege.

It was short-lived. Our stalkers informed us that the goblins are in the habit of advancing under cover of blizzards as they sweep up and down the area; this is precisely how they attempted their attack this year. Fortunately, our stalkers know the local land better than the invading forces, and were able to turn this advantage against them.

By the time our forces arrived from the fort's interior, the siege had already been largely routed. The invading force appears to have been relatively small, and crossfire from hunters intercepted them almost at once.

Since this attack, the camp has been blessedly quiet. I fear this is a carp in salmon's clothing, however, and the tide is merely winding back in order to strike again with greater force. Time will tell.

In the meantime, rest assured, plans are proceeding on schedule. The vault you recommended has been slowly filling, and the special chambers you outlined have been built and are fully prepared should the worst come to pass. The deep-digging project is also proceeding according to plan, and our ballistae are prepared, though lumber supply for munitions remains an issue.

It is with regret that I must also write of our mission's first KIA. Cpl. Dastot Degeltad, a glassblower, a low-ranking stoneworker, was reported as missing in one morning's early hours. He appears to have gone out into the snow for some unclear purpose; when he returned, he was half-blinded by snow-glare, and in poor physical condition. After medical treatment, he stumbled out of his bed and demanded access to a stonework shop, mumbling unclear nonsense; a few days later, he flew into a rage, and attempted to raise his stonework hammer to another soldier. Luckily, an off-duty stalker was present, and neutralized him with a couple bolts from his crossbow. Cpl. Degeltad was killed almost instantly by a bolt fired through the skull.

Precautions and investigations have been taken and made, but this appears to have been an isolated incident. It is unclear what madness afflicted Cpl. Degeltad, but it does not appear to have been a contagious syndrome or anything of that nature.

In any case, we now at least have accurate kill records, thanks to Maj. Sakzul's studious administration. I have attached them to this letter. With luck, I will write with better news next year.

Tarmid's valor guide you,
Commander Asobbab

Administrative Addendum (running totals):

Goblin infantry slain: 35.
Titans neutralized: 6.
Dwarves KIA: 1.
Dwarves captured: 3.
Coins minted: 10,000.