History of Rebellion in Alternian Culture

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Her Neptunian Conquest - Sariel Tyniip

HNC, a figure of the past and Alternia's most influential empress. Many things of today's Alternian culture came from HNC as she reformed the Alternian military to be it's most cunning, violent and powerful force known to the galaxy. Then later, with HEC's reign, the universe.

Her Acidic Rancidity - Zuuray Vibras

One of the shortest reigning empresses of Alternian history, who reigned for only 20 sweeps before she was defeated by HEC in what is referred to as "the Vibe Check". Though her reign was short, she instilled some of the most brutal laws on Alternia; amplifying violent Alternian culture beyond even HNC.

Her Empyrean Captivation - Leisse Johana

Our Glorious Empress, Her Empyrean Captivation, who quickly became the target of anti-imperial rebellion from the lower castes. Her full biography can be examined here.

The Celestial Moonsayer - Nejemm Algamr

An emissary of Her Empyrean Captivation to and from Mideast Alternia. He is a strong follower of the Subjugglator religion as well as a loyal supporter of HEC.

The Thornful / The Forgotten - Shawka Alward

The Thornful was one of HEC's most valued servants, as she was a limeblood hailing from Mideast Alternia. Originally, her last name was taken from her as she was taken to be a servant, however her followers gave her the name 'Alward' meaning 'The Rose' in Mideast Alternian. Limebloods during this time of HEC's reign were considered valuable despite being the most common green,

The Shining - Dama'ar Shamms

A prominent follower of The Thornful and leader of the secondary rebellion that consequently banned all adults from Alternia.

The Insurgent Mutineer - Rizeld Jiaxne

The leader of The Insurgency at LRC-SW-162, the most prominent rebellion Post Exile. He spoke to inspire outrage in the lowbloods of the labor colonies he visited, and turned them against the highbloods subjuggating them.

Pre-rebellion Attitudes

Before even the rise of HEC, many trolls Jade and below were subject to servitude and slavery for those Cerulean and higher. For thousands of sweeps, these trolls weren't given any opportunities to make a name for themselves. Even tonight, under HEC's rule, lower castes still do not have the same standing as the higher castes, however they have a little more freedom than before due to the efforts of The Thornful and The Shining respectively.

Timeline

Pre-HEC

Before Her Empyrean Captivation came a few failed empresses, most notably Her Neptunian Conquest and Her Acidic Rancidity. HNC, however, is noted to have been the longest reigning empress in the history of trollkind. Many of her influences stand today, such as the trident symbolism and the warrior-like culture that has helped the Alternian empire enforce their rule throughout multiple galaxies.

Between HNC and HAR were a handful of empresses who failed, but most typically served at least 30 sweeps before a new heiress would take the throne.

HAR had been the most cruel, most brutal empress in history, known to amplify HNC's violent tendencies tenfold.

The Rise of HEC

As Leisse Johana grew into a young woman, a council of politicians grew anxious for her duel with Her Acidic Rancidity. HAR was known to be brutal and efficient, slaying the previous heiress mere minutes into the duel.

The Mideast Alternian Question

When HEC was a young empress, her advisors suggested exploring Mideast Alternia to build the strength between subjugglators from Occidental Alternia and Mideast Alternia, ensuring that the empire is thriving at its fullest. It was here she came across the young Celestial Moonsayer, then known as Nejemm Alqamr; a promising subjugglator whose chucklevoodoos became key in aiding HEC in her conquest of the region.

During this time, Mideast Alternia was booming with music, philosophy and religious discussion. It seemed peaceful and prosperous, up until HEC and her crew began integrating Occidental Alternian culture with the help of Alqamr's connections in the subjugglator sphere.

Though the region was sand barren and populaces were spread far apart, there was a surprising amount of green. That is to say, there were large populations of Olivebliods, Limebloods and Jadebloods, along with Ceruleanbloods, Purplebloods and Violetbloods who resided on the coastal areas.

The current leading subjugglator had taken no issue to Occidental Alternians visiting more frequently, however she was concerned that the loss of culture and the current state of Mideast Alternia would be threatened should Occidental Alternian continue pushing forward. This brought issue with HEC, as she had taken it to mean that her presence was not wanted, which would have been a major offense. Using this situation to his advantage, Alqamr rallied his fellow subjugglators who were loyal to HEC to dethrone the leading subjug and put him in the position of power. He exploited Mideast Alternian resources to propel the Occidental Alternian mission and help HEC expand her grasp on this region of the planet.

Reach, Redistribute, Preach

Now, with Shawka in HEC's servitude, she was faced with the ultimate decision; accept her fate as HEC's pretty little plaything or find a way to thrive under harsh conditions, just like her home. She endured the harsheties of her indentureship to HEC, faking her loyalty to the empress in order to assure her trust in her most loyal servant. Shawka used her position to get familiar with the other lowblood staff, earning their trust as she helped them with their tasks. Eventually, she was able to convince them that they deserved better, and that they deserved to live however they pleased so long as they weren't causing harm.

After witnessing servants and other lowbloods being threatened, kicked or culled for not being able to pay off debts or taxes, Shawka had secretly stolen small things from HEC, things she knew the Empress wouldn't miss. Earrings, necklaces, bracelets, nothing that the Empress didn't already have plenty of- which was to say, many items were redistributed to the lowbloods. None of the servants ever bothered to report her, as if they did, they would stop receiving benefits. They began listening to her more, paying attention to her preaching and discussing her words among small circles as they ran errands. Her word was kept under a whisper, but still effectively spread. Because of her endurance and secret betrayal, she was dubbed the Thornful.

Shawka was careful, but apparently not careful enough when HEC decided to come back to her palace earlier than expected. When she arrived at her block, she caught Shawka red-handed, stuffing jewelry into her pockets and shirt. Angered, HEC threw her into a cell and declared that she was to be executed.

Her execution was not public, which caused suspicion in many circles, but HEC's advisors assured that she was disposed of in one of the most brutal ways possible. Whether this was confirmed or not is still up to debate, but many of the Thornful's followers believe that she escaped the holding by using her Limeblood powers to subdue the Highbloods keeping her captive.

Post-Thornful

After the Thornful's supposed execution, many of her followers, and Limebloods, were sought after and executed. The movement was being crushed under the heel of Her Empyrean Captivation and her posse of politicians and executors, there was no hope left and the dream of peace on Alternia was but a faint rumor. That is, of course, the public assumption. In reality, the Thornful's preaching amongst Jadeblood servants rang in their ears every night. The Jadeblooded population, being so rare in Occidental Alternia, had now become key in spreading the word of the Thornful, now known as the Forgotten amongst her following. Her words, and movement, had now gone literally underground into the brooding caverns.

As her legacy lived underground, more Jadebloods were compelled to make an attempt at saving any mutants they could. By law, they were meant to slaughter them and dispose of them by any means, but by the word of the Forgotten, all trolls deserved the right to wander Alternia free from persecution. Brightbloods, palebloods, darkbloods, off-caste seadwellers, any mutant that would challenge the sanctity of the hemospectrum were now secretly protected by a select group of Jades and were brought into the trials like any other wiggler. As mutants are rare, this of course did nothing to the politics, though the rise of hemoanonimity as a form of minor societal rejection now became popular, especially amongst non-mutant, or Lime, followers of the Forgotten.

Mideast Alternian Cultural Crisis

Occidental Alternia's influences in the Mideast Alternian spheres began to cause a crisis among the older trolls who were fearful that practicing the old culture would get them punished. They were reaching total assimilation and the flourishing movement was but a dying flame on a candle's wicker. The youth, however, were more vocal about their culture, but instead of actively protesting the assimilation, they devised a way to work around the influences of HEC's culture.

The Mideast Alternian Cultural Youth Brigade (MACYB) was composed of Phenri Fhetgo (Olive), Hachul Llitae (Cerulean), Meketn Skervi (Jade), Silato Ceetus (Violet) and Bibien Odylle (Purple). The MACYB were known to host events together in celebration of the old Mideast Alternian culture, though integrated with Occidental Alternian customs as to not arouse any suspicions. The musical instruments played by Hachul Llitae had not previously existed in the region, though they managed to translate the sound of home through the passion of the flute. Phenri Fhetgo, a brooding poet, wrote many sonnets and ballads in Mideast Alternian with

borrowed Common Alternian words to carefully craft songs sung by the Jade. Silato Ceetus and Bibien Odylle both would lend their hives to their friends to host the most grand, most spectacular gatherings in conjunction with the traditional hospitality, slowly giving birth to the party culture of Umm Dhabiya. It didn't happen overday, but the ideas of philosophical and cultural discussions now began to have a safe place among the MACYB hosts.

But it didn't take long for the word of these parties to reach HEC's crew, who sent Illumn Vertis, the Grand Clueseek, to investigate. Enticed by the culture, the Grand Cluseek began regularly attending MACYB's events under the guide of investigation, always reporting that nothing was wrong and that they were technically complying with assimilation laws. As he attended each event, he began to grow closer to Skervi, which eventually blossomed into a modest, happy matespritship. During a gathering, however, an aristocratic Occidental Alternian Indigo began booing the singer and threatened to use harm for her daring to stand on the same stage as a Cerulean. As she fought back, her veil was removed and the Jade's fins were exposed. The group was now under threat for hiding the fact she was an off-caste seadweller. Vertis was faced with an ultimate choice of culling his matesprit, or being executed for refusing orders.

He pleaded for the group to stand trial to determine their executions, and for her execution to be scheduled in the hopes of saving her. His plea was granted, and he saved the four members of the MAYCB having them plead innocence by having no knowledge, but the same could not be said for Skervi. By the hand of the Celestial Moonsayer, the Jade was beheaded. The Grand Clueseek left Mideast Alternia, back to Occidental Alternia, in despair that his love was killed.

Not wanting to do anything with the MAYCB anymore, Bibien Odylle left to train under the Celestial Moonsayer. Silato Ceetus also took the same route, discarding the MAYCB without thought, but thriving on her own as she began hosting her own events in her parlor, eventually earning the title of the Gamemaster. Meanwhile, Fhetgo and Llitae grew closer under the turmoil and found themselves in an unspoken red relationship. Fhetgo was not the only person that Llitae grew closer to, as Llitae had begun networking in Umm Dhabiya and creating a new circle of friends with their Moirail. They eventually earned themselves the title Viscount Larynxis and threw their own, invite-only events.

One night, the Grand Clueseek received an invitation from the newly dubbed Viscount. In fact, he received several among the span of a few months which he rejected, until he stopped to face the music and returned to Mideast Alternia to attend their event. Something between them happened that night that convinced the Grand Clueseek to stay for longer, and unfortunately that information isn't available to the public. From what most historians gather, they simply began strengthening various communities around the planet and offered support for sweeps.

During one of their events, the Viscount Larynxis was privately culled by their moirail before their third performance. Much like the details of the Grand Clueseek and the Viscount's

friendship, what really happened was obscured. The moirail claims she was asserting her hatchright as a subjugglator. She faced exile to a new colony for her refusal to cooperate.

The Rise of The Shining

When the MAYCB members had not yet banded together and were still wigglers, Dama'ar Shamss, who later came to be known as the Shining, was still in the caverns as a young troll. He longed for the night he could face the surface, living in the world that the Forgotten had spoken about. Perhaps, even dreaming to one day find her and express his gratitude as he believed she may return to the Alternians. But that belief was shattered after he witnessed a fight breakout in the caverns. It was said that the fight broke out due to one of the matriarchs in the caverns discovering the anti-Empire sentiments and mutant smuggling. Naturally, the followers of the Forgotten, though peaceful, but still troll, defended themselves. Caught in the crossfire, Shamss was killed and the fighting stood still as the Jades loomed over the young troll's corpse. It was like blasphemy for a Jade to spill another Jade's blood, and the Jade responsible for his death was banished from the caverns, instructed to take his corpse with her and perform a proper burial.

His body was left alone for a few hours under the sands of a Mideast Alternian desert, and soon found himself in the Alternian dusk, glowing in the dark. A young troll, now left alone in the desert, had nowhere to go; thus began his pilgrimage to nowhere. He moved from town to town, distraught by the violence and inequality he had been taught about, though never witnessed. He grew desperate, and frustrated. The once meek young boy began making noise of his own, angered by the lack of progress. He was promised a world of peace, only to be met with disregard and oppression. As he moved through towns, he rallied a following, preaching the Forgotten's words except he put her words into action. And each time he made noise, he was glowing to catch everyone's attention, thus earning his name of the Shining.

His followers were prepared to fight, and they were prepared to die. Sweeps went by as his following grew, and hearing about the unjust execution of a Jadeblood in Umm Dhabiya, a plan was set in motion. Over the course of months, his followers coordinated raids on highbloods across the planet, narrowly escaping each time and mourning the loss of all who sacrificed their lives to the cause. Once he reached Occidental Alternia, his days were numbered.

The Shining organized an attack and raid on HEC's palace, with all the adult trolls of his following under his command. The Empress captured him and this time, she could show everyone that she is indeed a fearless ruler. With her imperial trident, she plunged her law deep into the Shining's chest, piercing his heart in front of an audience.

In a fit of frustration, HEC declared that all adults on Alternia were to be exiled, which rapidly escalated the colonization of multiple planets across the galaxy. The empire was facing a new era, one that Her and Her advisors had been planning for a long time. This is the Alternia we know tonight.

Post-Adult Ban

Now that Alternia was solely populated by trolls 9 sweeps and younger, many cultures began to change with the lack of adult supervision. For example, Umm Dhabiya rode the wave of the MAYCB and became a well known party city, with parties moving away from the ballroom and more into blasting loud music at the brink of dawn, partying the day away.

Rebellion in Exile

Even after being sent off-planet, rebellious attitudes continue to persist under secrecy. One of the most famous examples being that a helm so powerful had managed to take down a ship greater the size of a GLB vessel and crash it onto the planet now known to us as Malympus, thus choosing one of the empire's first few colonies.

Though more often than not, the plan to scatter rebel forces by keeping of all of trollkind at different points in the empire worked, one notable instance of a wave of anti imperialism exists. Following a labor strike at a Larval Resource Colony- a colony responsible for growing and manufacturing spacecrafts- a number of psionic and labor trolls tried to claim important colonies and ships for their movement. When the trolls were shown to be too militarized to protest oncoming fleet members, HEC made an empire wide announcement for the hunt of The Insurgent Mutineer, and to redirect fleet members to the Vesuvian System to combat the uprising. More on the Insurgency can be read Here.

As news spread, some trolls found the discussion of current events as means to mutter to themselves about their own rebellious attitudes, resulting in a surge of small revolts and outed rebels. The mindset continued to cause issues across the empire for the duration of the rebellion, up to the execution of The Insurgent Mutineer. Following the rebellion's end, the empire could turn it's resources back to internal matters, and push for empire sentiment was shown in the form of the Colony Contest, a competition between Violets to see who would conquer the most colonies for the empire.